Culturally:
Reflections in the Spirit of Erling Bjurström

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ABSTRACT

This volume – “Culturally: Reflections in the Spirit of Erling Bjurström” – celebrates the 60th birthday of a dear friend and colleague, born 13 September 1949. Erling Bjurström is Professor and Head of the Department of Culture Studies (Tema Q) at Linköping University. He has a background in sociology at Göteborg University in the 1970s and early 80s, then Head of Research at the State Council for Youth Affairs, and in the 1990s he presented his PhD thesis in media and communication studies at Stockholm University, and in the last decade, he has been an anchor of the new environment for cultural research at Linköping University in Norrköping. This Festschrift includes the following articles, all in Swedish except the one by Jenny Lee, where the whole chapter is in English:

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