

CV

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Art Studies

Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Time and Space department, Master of Fine Arts, 2005

Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Time and Space department, Bachelor of Fine Arts, 2003

Selected solo & duo exhibitions

2024 *Fata Morgana* film performance, Kino Iso-Hannu, Rauma

2024 *Fata Morgana*, Teresia & Rafael Lönnström Home Museum, Rauma

2022 *Bambi – Darkness Washed Away*, Porvoo Art Hall, Porvoo

2022 *Delight at Robert St*, Mediabox/Forum Box, Helsinki

2022 *Bambi - Darkness Washed Away*, Photographic gallery Hippolyte, Helsinki

2019 *Animal Bridge U-3033* at gallery Fikka, Porvoo Art Hall

2017 *Time Loops*, gallery Forum Box, Helsinki (with Veli Granö)

2016 *Q & La Primavera* - Huuto Jätkäsaari, Helsinki (with Pauliina Turakka Purhonen)

2015 *Coriolis* - Poikilo, Kouvola Art Museum, Kouvola

2015 *Fare Thee Well* – Hyvinkää Art Museum

2014 *Sirius Passet* – Helsinki Art Museum; Kluuvi gallery, Helsinki

2012 *Coriolis* - Muu gallery, Helsinki

2010 *Lost and Found* – Suomesta gallery, Berlin

2009 *Linnunlaulun kotiinpaluu* - Tiedekeskus Heureka, Vantaa

2006 *Tarina kuolleesta miehestä (a Letter to NASA)* Gallera Huuto, HKI

2006 *Union Street 28 B* - Helsingin taidemuseo, Kluuvin galleria

Selected group shows and screenings

2022 Kokeellisen elokuvan freestyle, 67. Midnight Sun Film Festival, Sodankylä
Conditional Cinema, 68. Internationale Kurtzfilmtage, Oberhausen

2021 Analogue film and photography festival, Kino Ritz, Vaasa
20minmax International Film Festival, Ingolstadt, DE
Internationale Kurzfilmwoche, Regensburg, DE
67. Internationale Kurtzfilmtage, Oberhausen DE
HKIFF -Hong Kong international Film Festival

2020 Amarcort Film Festival, Rimini, IT
Pori Film Festival, Pori, FI
49' Nouveau Cinéma, Montreal, CA
Celluloid Dreams, Orion, Helsinki

- 2019 Film Farm 25years exhibition, Tiff Bell Lightbox gallery, Toronto, CA
 61. Nordischen Filmtagen Lübeck
 Ji-hlava International Documentary Film Festival
 Love&Anarchy , HIFF, Helsinki
 HotDocs, Canadian International Documentary Festival
 49. Tampere Film Festival
- 2018 Rex Fest in Amos Rex, Helsinki
 Seven sisters, Voronja gallery,
 Varnja, EE
 48. Tampere Film Festival, AVEK 40
- 2017 Signes de Nuit, Paris, FR
 VideoEx, Zürich, CH
 Animated Spirits New York, USA
 European Media Art Festival, Osnabrueck, DE
 Videoformes festival, Clermont-Ferrand, FR
 Tricky Women Festival, Vienna, AT
 DocPoint, Helsinki documentary film festival
 Minimalen Short Film Festival, Trondheim, NO

Awards

- 2021 Fata Morgana, 6. Contemporary Art Project, Lönnström Art Museum, Rauma
 2019 Risto Jarva award for Animal Bridge U-3033
 2011 Split Film festival; Special Award for Monster Attack
 2009 Return of Bidsong, Media art award 1. price, Muu ry & Siemenpuu foundation

Works in collections

- Contemporary art museum Kiasma
 Finnish Art Society
 Siemenpuu Foundation

Residencies

- 2023 Cité Internationale des Arts & L'Abominable, Paris
 2022 Serlachius Residency, Mänttä, FI
 2019 Liaison of Independent Filmmakers of Toronto / LIFT
 2018 Casa Finlandese, Grassano, Italy
 2018 Film Farm, Mount Forest, Ontario, Canada
 2013 Åland Archipelago Guest Artist Residence in Kökar, Åland
 2011 Villa Karo, Grand-Popo, Benin, West Africa
 2010 Suomesta, Berlin
 2009 North Karelian Arts Council, Kochi, Kerala, India
 2009 A Rocha, Watamu, Kenya
 2008 Villa Karo, Grand Popo, Benin, West Africa
 2007 Circolo Scandinavo, Rome, Italy

Memberships

Filmverkstaden

CFMDC, Toronto

Muu ry

AV-arkki ry.

Huuto/Mehiläispesä ry

Forum Box

Grants (past 5 years)

2023 Taike, 1 year artist grant

2022 Taike, project grant

2022 AVEK, scriptwriting grant

2021 AVEK, project grant

2020 Taike, project grant

2019 Finnish Film Foundation, traveling grant

2018 KONE Foundation, Project grant

2018 Taike, 3 years artist grant

2018 AVEK, training/course support

2018 AVEK, scriptwriting grant

2018 Taike, Public Display grant

2018 Taike, mobility grant

2018 Taike, project grant

Other

2022 S8 film workshop, Harakka island, in collaboration with Kari Yli-Annala

2022 Jury member, Porvoo Art Hall exhibitions (2024)

2022 Jury member for alumni residencies, Saastamoinen foundation & Academy of Fine Arts

2020 - present; Art teacher/part time faculty, Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki

2017- present; Script writer and director, media art productions, Filemo ky

2019-2022 Jury member for gallery Fikka/Porvoo Art Hall

2010-2011 Video artist, Musicam video project, Poike; Turku2011

2005-2007 Curating and organizing *Nordic Young Artists* exhibition tour between Iceland, Sweden and Finland (collaborative project with Solveig Einarsdottir)