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CURRICULUM VITAE

SOLO EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND

Helsinki	1970-71, -73, -76, -77, -79, -81, -86, -87
Vantaa	1977, 1988
Seinäjoki	1976-77, -86, -93, -99, 2000
Kerava	1977
Espoo, Hanasaari	1984
Tuusula	1988
Kajaani	1991
Puistokulma, Vantaa	1992
Hyvinkää	1992, 1997
Koskenpää	1993
Turku, Gallery1	1997
Gallery Gjutars, Vantaa	1999
Urban, Vantaa	2000
Gallery Gjutars, Artotek/Artotheque:	
- Artist of July	2005
- Artist of August	2007
- Artist of November	2013
Laurea, Vantaa	2008-2009
Suopursu Service Home, Vantaa	2008, 2011
Hopealilja Window Gallery, Siuntio	2009
Population Register Center, Helsinki	2009
Pähkinärinne Service Home, Vantaa	2010
Simonkoti, Vantaa	2010
Hakunila Day Care Centre, Vantaa	2011
Myyrinkoti, Vantaa	2011
Pisto-Gallery, Vantaa	2011
Seinäjoki Art Hall, Artotek, Artist of December	2012
Seinäjoki Art Hall, Artotek, Artist of June	2014
Seinäjoki Art Hall, Artotek, Artist of April	2016
Seinäjoki Art Hall, Artotek, Artist of September	2016

RETROSPECTIVE EXHIBITION

Seinäjoki Art Hall	2003
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COLLECTION EXHIBITIONS

Artsi, Vantaa art museum,	
Naamataulukirjasto, Galleria K	2020
Artsi, Vantaa art museum,	
Kultainen kaupunki Täältä tullaan, Galleria K, Tikkurila, Vantaa	2016
Seinäjoki art hall,	
"Tänään olen hyvällä päällä" maalauksia lahjoituskokoelmasta,	
Seinäjoki art hall	2018
Nurmijärvi Municipal, "Vihreä ilme" Galleria Ville	2018
Collection of Seinäjoki artists association	
"Unieläimiä levylautasella" Ylistaron library	2018
"Värikkään elämän rakastaja" Sinkka, Kerava art museum	2018
POLARIT – Father and daughter,	
Oiva ja Tarja Polari teoksia eri vuosikymmeniltä,	
Nelimarkka art museum, Alajärvi	2018-2019
Iittala naive art collection	2019-2020
Tarja ja Oiva Polarin (1912-1996) teoksia	
Kurikan kampus sekä Kurikan kirjasto	2022

Soiva Halosenniemi, Tuusulan Taidemuseo	2022-23
SOLO EXHIBITION ABROAD	
Rozentals-museum, Riga, Latvia	1994
GROUP EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND	
Southern Ostrobothnia Summer University exhibitions, Seinäjoki	1962-1966
The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association	1963, 1967, 1970
Seinäjoki Cultural Days	1967
Exhibitions of Helsinki Rural District	1967, 1969
Seinäjoki city 100-year Jubilee Exhibition	1968
Dipoli	1968
State Art competition	1969, 1972
Exhibition of The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association, and Northern-Finland Artists, Helsinki	1970
Exhibition of Young Artists	1970, -72, -74, -77, -78
Union of Finnish Art Associations	1970-71, -73, -78
The Triennial of the Art Academy of Finland	1971
Annual Exhibition of Finnish Artists	1971-72, -74, -76, -78, 1980-82
Polarit -72, Seinäjoki	1972
Työväen taidetapahtuma, Vantaa	1973
Galerie Oljemark, Helsinki	1973
Exhibition of Finnish Painters' Union (invited)	1974
States exhibitions	1974-75, -77, -79
Women -75, Helsinki-Hämeenlinna	1975
Art-Tuusulanjärvi	1978, 1980
Ars Karelia	1979
Turku	1979, 1987, 1992-93, 1995
The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association and Seinäjoki Art Society	1980
Art-Ilmajoki	1982-83, 1986-88, -93, -96, -98, 2006
Punainen Paja	1984
The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association (invited)	1985
Kaivopuisto Gallery	1986
Art Kalmari	1986
Gallery Harju, Tampere	1986
Tampere	1986, 1988
Helsinki	1986-1987, 1992
NMKY:n 100-years, Helsinki	1988
Navethalia, Vantaa	1988
District exhibition, Espoo	1989
Joensuu	1990
Jyväskylä	1991
P'Art Gallery, Oulu	1991
Oulu	1991-1992
Ars Arrakoski	1992
Harjavalta	1994
Hovinkartano, Hauho	1996
View of Vantaa	1996
Neliö Gallery, Oulu	1997
Zoom-Booli, Pieksämäki	1999
Artists of the family Hellström, Seinäjoki	2000
Laaja-Art, Äänekoski	2002
3+1 Vuotalo, Helsinki	2005
ArtForum, Helsinki	2011
Endless of creativity, Seinäjoki Art Hall	2015
The Finnish painters' union 90 years, Gallery K, Vantaa	2019
SEINÄJOKI ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION	
Seinäjoen Taideyhdistyksen näyttelyt	1965-1987, 1989-1990
Seinäjoki Annual Exhibitions	1993-94, -96, -98, 2003
Vepsäläinen, Seinäjoki	2009

Seinäjäki Artists' Association 50-year Jubilee, Seinäjäki Art Hall	2010
Summer Exhibition, Seinäjäki Art Hall	2012, 2014
Seinäjäki Artists' Association:	
- Vaasa	1993, 2005
- Turku	1993, 2005
- Taidekeskus Harri, Alavus	1995, 2001
- Varkaus	2002
- Pori	2004
- Hauho	2008
- Kulttuurikeskus Herrala, Ilmajoki	2009, 2013
- Pirkanpohja, Ähtäri	2011
- Gallery Tärinä, Riihimäki	2015
- Spiral, Pietarsaari	2017
- "Nyt" Gallery 108, Nokia	2018
- 60-vuotisjuhlanäyttely, Hetki ja tulevaisuus, Nelimarkka museo, Alajärvi	2021
Vuorovaikutus, Taidekeskus Harri, Alavus	2023
VANTAA ART SOCIETY	
Annual Exhibitions	1973-1987, 1989
Seinäjäki	1986
Nurmijärvi	1987
15-year Jubilee Exhibition, Vantaa	1988
EXHIBITION OF THE NAIVE ART	
Pori	1981
Helsinki	1983, 1985
Jyväskylä	1984
Kauhajoki	1985
Lohja	1987
Galerie Oljemark, Helsinki	1987
Oulu	1988
Iittala	1989-1992
VANTAA ARTIST ASSOCIATION	
Nyt näkyy	1994
Roles	1995
Summer exhibitions	1996, 2000-2004, 2006-2007, 2009-2012
Hyvinkään Art Museum	1997
Ensimmäinen kohtaaminen - Första sammankonsten	1998
Vantaan Taiteilijaseuran näyttely, Alexandria-Bukarest, Romania (invited)	1998
Christmas exhibition	1998, 2002-2004, 2006-2010, 2013
Slupsk, Puola (invited)	1999
Connections	2000
Monet, Porvoo	2001
Vaikutelmia Vantaalta	2001
Self-portrait	2002
10-year Jubilee Exhibition	2004
Silmät auki - Eyes open, Vantaa	2005
Fengersfors, Sweden (invited)	2005
Vantaan kaupunkijuhla – Viettelyksiä Vantaalla	2008
Kutsunäyttely Flamingo, Vantaa	2009
Minne-Sinne, Huddinge, Sweden (invited)	2009
Finnish Art Mix, Berchtoldvilla, Salzburg, Austria (invited)	2011
Polarteknik Oy, Vantaa	2013-2014
Ein Sommernachtstraum, Vantaa Artist Association and art bv Berchtoldvilla, Salzburg, Austria	2015
Art bv Berchtoldvilla, Salzburg and Vantaa Artist Association, Vantaa	2016
Urban nature, Galleria Napa, Rovaniemi	2018
Dash to dash, Vantaa-Salzburg, art bv Berchtoldvilla, Salzburg	2020
Valon voima, Galleria K, Vantaa	2020
Sarastus Pop-Up, Galleria K, Vantaa	2021

Syksyn satoa, Taidetalo Järvenpää	2021
Pop Up -exhibition, Galleria K, Vantaa	2022
Talven taikaa, Galleria K, Vantaa	2022
Friendship, Black Wall Gallery, Vaas	2023
Taiteen valoa, Galleria Gjutars, Vantaa	2023
Karkausvuosi, Salon taiteilijaseuran galleria	2024

GROUP EXHIBITIONS ABROAD

Intersymposium Salgótarján, Hungary (invited)	1980
Exhibition of Finnish Artists, Greifswalds, Stralsund, Rostock, DDR (invited)	1984
Humour and Satire IX biennale, Gabrovo, Bulgaria	1989
4th International Exhibition Ex Libris, Rijeka Croatia	2003
Ars Baltica 08 Salzburg, Salzburg, Austria (invited)	2008
2nd Lessedra International Painting & Mixed Media Competition Sofia, Bulgaria	2011-2012
3rd Lessedra International Painting & Mixed Media Competition Sofia, Bulgaria	2013
Vantaa Artist Association and Art by Berchtoldvilla, Salzburg, Austria	2015
PrOximity Survey, Sim Gallery, Reykjavik, Islanti	2018

NOWÅ- PROJECT – EXHIBITIONS SOLO EXHIBITIONS

Peijas-Rekola Hospital	2000
Tikkurila dental clinic	2000

WORKS IN PUBLIC

Wall painting “Big aquarium”, Korso, City of Vantaa	1982
Nissas Residential Park “Vauhti päällä”, City of Vantaa	1996
Simonkylä Elementary School ”Kovaa menoa” City of Vantaa	1996

WORKS IN COLLECTIONS

State Art Collection
 HAM, Art nuseum
 Oulu Art Museum, Collection of Heinänen Art Foundation
 Vaasan kaupungin museot
 Artsi, Vantaa art museum
 Tuusula Art Museum
 Järvenpää Art Museum
 Kerava, Art Museum Sinkka
 Nelimarkka Art Museum, Alajärvi
 Lapuan taidemuseo
 Pietarsaaren kaupunginmuseo
 K. H. Renlundin museo, Kokkola
 Seinäjoki Art Society
 Seinäjoki City
 Finlands Gallup
 Naivistit Iittalassa -säätio
 Valli ry, Helsinki
 Nurmijärven kunta
 Pääkaupungin Turvakoti ry
 Suomen Yhdyspankki
 Suomen Työväen Säästöpankki
 Seinäjoen Seudun Osuuspankki
 Jorvin sairaala, Espoo
 Kemira Oy
 Huhtamäki Oy
 Liikennevintolat Oy
 Ilkka Oy
 PI-Yhtiöt
 Poona Oy
 Temet Oy
 Matti Vuorio Oy
 Papagena
 Suomen Gallup
 Modern Art Collection-Mac
 Kellokoski Hospital

Leonardo da Vilhu Foundation
 Union of Finnish Art Association
 Seinäjoen lukio
 Frami Oy
 Ruralia-institute University of Helsinki
 Kiinteistö Oy Seinäjoen Y-talo
 Elementary school of Numminen
 Art school Oiva, Seinäjoki
 Adult Education of Seinäjoki
 Nummisten koulu, Mäntsälä
 The Federation of Mother and Child Homes and Shelters, Helsinki
 Käpyrinne, Helsinki
 Tikkurila Oyj, Vantaa
 Naivistit Iittalassa -säätien kokoelma, Iittala
 City of Kurikka
 Hattulan kunta

WORKS IN COLLECTIONS ABROAD

Salgótarján Art Museum, Hungary
 City of Salzburg, Austria

TV REPRESENTATION

TV 1 "Kukko kiekuu" programme, works presentation	1994
Latvia television, exhibition presentation	1994

PUBLICATIONS

Risto Ojanen, "Kuvien lempeä kapina"	1983
Vantaa Artist calender	1985
UNICEF, Postcard calender	1988
Vantaa Artists' Association	2001
The History of Vantaa 1946-1977	2002
Aira and Kalevi Heinänen, "Taiteen puremat" Memoirs 1967-2007	2007
Seinäjoki Artists' Association	2007

ACTIVITIES

Artists' of Vantaa Region, member of board	1972
City of Vantaa, Deputy member of Culture and Education Committee/ Art Section	1973-1974
City of Vantaa, member of Culture and Education Committee/ Visual Art Section	1975-1984
City of Vantaa, Chairperson of Culture and Education Committee/ Visual Arts Section	1975-1976
City of Vantaa, Deputy member of Leisure and Recreation Committee	1993-1996
Vantaa Art Society: Member of board	1973-1990
Vantaa Art Society: Chairperson	1977-1990
Senior Artists, Member of Bord, Vice Chairperson	2013
The Artists' Association of Finland:	
Board of Representative	1979, -90, -93, -96, -97, -98, 1999-2004
Member of exhibition committee	1991-1992
Finnish Painters' Union:	
Member of exhibition committee xx	1974-78
Member of board	1987-1992, 1996-2001
Member of jury of Pedersöde Congregation altarpiece competition	1991
Member of jury of Masterwork competition, Alajärvi	1994
The Artists' Association of Vantaa:	
Member of board	1996-1997
Member of exhibition committee	1996
Member of residence committee	2008-2009, 2013-2016, 2018
Deputy of residence committee	2010-2019
Deputy of exhibition committee	2011

GRANTS

Project-, working-, and travel- grants since	1969
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State 1-year Grant to Artists	1986
Frame	1994
Public Display Grant for Visual Artists	1998
Supplementary State Artist Pension	2008

MEMBERSHIPS

Finnish Painters' Union
Vantaa Artists' Association, honorary member
Seinäjäki Artists' Association
Senior Artists
Kuvasto
Vantaan kuvataiteilijat 1973-1990