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ART STUDIES

The School of the Fine Arts Academy of Finland, Helsinki 1973–77 Art College of Savonlinna 1969-72

ONE MAN SHOWS

Berlin 2022, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX (with special guests Kenneth Pils and Lotte Nilsson-Välimaa)

Helsinki 2022, Galleria Katariina

Helsinki 2021, Galleria Sculptor

Helsinki 2019, OHO-gallery (with Petri Eskelinen)

Berlin, Germany 2019, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX (with special guest Poul R. Weile)

Helsinki 2019, tm-gallery

Berlin, Germany 2017, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX Berlin

Germany 2016, Galerie / Projektraum TOOLBOX

Helsinki 2016, Gallery Muu Kaapeli

Berlin, Germany 2014, Galerie TOOLBOX

Berlin, Germany 2013, Galerie TOOLBOX

Tampere 2012, The Finnish Contemporary Art Museum Willa Mac

Helsinki 2012, Jangva Gallery

Nurnberg, Germany 2010, Galeriehaus Nord

Helsinki 2009, Jangva Gallery

Ulm, Germany 2008, Sebastianskapelle gallery

Karjaa 2008, Photocenter Raasepori, Zebra gallery

Helsinki 2008, Muu gallery

Helsinki 2007, Orton gallery

Helsinki 2006, Forum Box gallery

Nummela 2006, Pictor gallery

Helsinki 2004, TM-gallery

Helsinki 2002, Jangva gallery

Helsinki 2000, Katariina gallery

Helsinki 1998, TM-gallery

Helsinki 1998, Stoa gallery

Vaasa 1996, Svenska Teatern gallery

Turku 1996, Art Fair

Kemi 1996, The Art Museum of Kemi

Helsinki 1996, Katariina gallery

Savonlinna 1996, The Art Museum of Savonlinna

Loviisa 1995, Segerman gallery

Helsinki 1994, G-gallery

Helsinki 1992, Katariina gallery

Mänttä 1992, The Honkahovi Art Center
Helsinki 1992, Kriittinen tila gallery
Helsinki 1992, Wellamo
Tallinn 1991, The Art Museum of Estonia
Lahti 1991, Pihagalleria gallery
Helsinki 1991, Artina gallery
Loviisa 1990, Segerman gallery
Tampere 1990, The Modern Art Collection gallery
Savonlinna 1989, The Art Museum of Savonlinna
Helsinki 1988, Duetto gallery
Helsinki 1986, The Gallery of Finnish Painters Union
Savonlinna 1985, Ars Nova gallery
Porvoo 1984, The Art Hall of Porvoo
Helsinki 1983, The Gallery of Finnish Painters Union
Lahti 1981, The Art Museum of Lahti
Savonlinna 1980, Ars Nova gallery
Helsinki 1979, The Gallery of Finnish Painters Union
Heinola 1979, City Library gallery
Savonlinna 1976, Ars Nova gallery

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND (together about 200)

Riihimäki 2022, "Särkyvää/ Zerbrechlich", Contemporary art from Berlin and Finland, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX 10 years, Old Glass Factory

Hämeenlinna 2020 "Moderation, cooperation, equality", ex-shopping center Linna.

Curators: Maija Helasvuo & Marja Bonada (Wales)

Helsinki 2019, "Byrokratia", Gallery Rankka

Lahti 2018, "Fresh paint in Lahti", The Finnish Painters' Union's 90 years anniversary exhibition, Lahti Art Museum

Helsinki, 2017, Art Fair Suomi 17, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOXin department

Kärsämäki, Pappila, the music festival, with Stiina Saaristo, 2015

Fiskars, 2013, Sparc (Kipinä), Fiskars summer exhibition

Vantaa 2013, Drawing in the flesh, drawing exhibition, Vantaa Art Museum

Helsinki, 2011, Finnish Degenerated Art Festival exhibition, Astoria

Fiskars, Säättö-exhibition, 2010–11

Kerava, 2010, Pain-exhibition, Kerava Art Museum

Hyvinkää 2009, The Sense of Reality exhibition, Hyvinkää Art Museum

Helsinki 2006, Artist Organization Kiila's 70-year jubilee exhibition Helsinki Art Hall

Mänttä, The Mänttä Art Festival Exhibition 1995, 1999

Helsinki, The annual Exhibition of the Finnish Artists' Association in Helsinki Art Hall 1976–90, 2001

The annual Exhibition of the Finnish Artists' Organisations' Union 1976–83, 1993

Helsinki, The annual Young Artists' Exhibition in Helsinki Art Hall 1974–1985

Helsinki 1984, Exhibition of Myllypuro artist village, Stoa-gallery, East-Center

Hyvinkää 1983, Erköylän Ometta (Artists' Association of Hyvinkää)

Helsinki 1982, Artists' Peace Exhibition, Kluuvi-gallery

Helsinki 1981, The Regional Exhibition of Helsinki, Vantaa, Espoo

Helsinki, Pori, Kajaani 1980-81, "Work & unemployment", exhibition of The Finnish Painters' Association

Rovaniemi 1979, "Finnish realist" exhibition, Rovaniemi Art Museum

Savonlinna 1979, Savonlinna Art College 67–79- exhibition
 Voipaala 1979, "Winter Voipaala" exhibition, Voipaala Art Center
 Lahti 1978, "Art – the human voice" exhibition, Lahti Art Museum
 Lahti, "KuvaMessilä" exhibitions of the Artists' Association of Lahti 1978, -79, -80, -81
 Lahti, The Annual Exhibition of the Artists' Association of Lahti 1978–80
 Lapinlahti 1977, "8 artists from Savonlinna" exhibition, Lapinlahti Art Center
 Savonlinna, "Riihisaari", nationwide summer exhibition of (the Artists' Association of Savonlinna), Ars Nova 1972, -73, -74
 Savonlinna, the annual exhibition of Ars Nova, (the Artists' Association of Savonlinna) 1971, -72, -73, -75, -76, -77, -78, -79, -80, -81, -82, -84
 Savonlinna, The regional exhibition of the Mikkeli province, Ars Nova Gallery, the City Library exhibition space 1972, -73, -74, -76

GROUP EXHIBITIONS ABROAD

Berlin, "The Dark and the Light", Galerie TOOLBOX 10 years anniversary exhibition, the members with artists From Berlin and Jukka Korkeila, Galerie Wolf & Galentz

Berlin, "Zerbrechlich", Galerie Toolbox 10 years anniversary exhibition, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX

New York, USA 2019, "Only echos, passing through the night", TOOLBOX at Odetta Gallery
 Berlin, Germany 2018, "Superpositio" collective drawing-collage-installation process pop-up exhibition: Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX
 Berlin, Germany 2017, unfin(n)ished, Galerie Nord/Kunstverein Tiergarten Berlin
 Berlin, Germany 2017, Nachstein, Galerie TOOLBOX
 Wrexham UK 2017, Emotional Circus volume 3 (TOOLBOX), Art Space Undegun
 Helsinki, Finland 2017, Art Fair Suomi, Kaapelitehdas, Galerie TOOLBOX department
 Stockholm, Sweden 2017, Supermarket 17 Independent Art Fair, Svarta Huset, Galerie / Projektraum TOOLBOX department
 Rome, Italy 2016, Changing times, Gallery Tragliata
 Viernheim, Germany 2016, Emotional Circus, Kunstverein & Kunsthau Viernheim, Cooperative TOOLBOX
 Mannheim, Germany 2016, Strumpfe Art Space, Cooperative TOOLBOX
 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2014–15, Biennial of European and Latin American contemporary art, Museu Historico and Centro Cultural Rio Scenarium
 Stockholm, Sweden 2014, Emotional Circus, Studio 44 -gallery, Cooperative TOOLBOX
 Stockholm, Sweden, 2013, Supermarket 2013 Stockholm Independent Art Fair Galerie TOOLBOX-department
 Berlin, Germany, Social BOX, 2012, Galerie TOOLBOX
 Munich , Germany 2012 Galerie Richter & Masset, "Street art"
 Berlin, Germany, 2010, Finland-Institut-Gallery, with Marianna Uutinen and Minna Jatkola
 Koblenz, Germany 2010, Finnish contemporary art exhibition "Memory Traces", Ludwig Museum
 Karlstad, Sweden 2009, Märkesåret 200, Finnish contemporary art, 4 Finnish paintersGalleri Konst
 Tallinn, Estonia 1997, Kaiku-Echo, Tallinn Art Hall
 Rudolstadt, Germany 1987, The Exhibition of international painting symposium
 Västerås, Sweden 1980, 12 Artists from Lahti, Västerås Art Museum
 Norway, Sweden, Denmark 1973, Exhibitions of Artists' Association Ars Nova
 Germany (Hamburg) 1979, Poland, Hungary, Yugoslavia 1979, Exhibitions of The Artists' Association of Lahti

COLLECTIONS

The City of Savonlinna, Lahti Art Museum, Art for Schools-organization, The City Of Lahti, Helsingin Kaukokiito Oy, The Art College of Savonlinna, The Museum-Foundation of Lapinlahti, KOP, The State of Finland,
The City of Anjalankoski, Huhtamäki Oy, The City of Espoo, Etelä-Savon Säästöpankki, Unic Oy, Kulturbundet (Germany),
The Modern Art Collection MAC, Savonlinna Art Museum, Imatran voima Oy, The Paulo Foundation, Post-Tele of Finland,
Helsinki Art Museum, Kemi Art Museum, Enso-Gutzeit Oy, The Central Organization of Finnish Industry,
The University of Art and Design Helsinki, Orton-collection, Kerava Art Museum, EMMA (Espoo Modern Art Museum)

MONUMENTAL WORKS

The wallpainting of the Finnish School of Costa del Sol (Colegio Finlandes), Fuengirola, Spain 2011
The windowpaintings of Diakonissalaitos, Eastcenter, Helsinki 1996
International wallpainting-project of Judith Baca "The World Wall", Finnish part with Aaro Matinlauri and Sirkka-Liisa Lonka, Finland, Soviet Union, Japan, Australia, Africa, USA, Spain, South America 1990–93
The wallpainting-project of the Artists' Association of Finland with Raili Tang and Reijo Viljanen, Helsinki 1984
The wallpaintings of a city tunnel, Lahti 1981
The wallpainting of Kannas School, Lahti 1980
Helsinki 1981, Member of the team putting Jarmo Mäkilä's large scale painting "Palestiina" into effect (9 X 6 meters). Placed on the outside wall of Old Students' House.

GRANTS

5-year artist grant of the State of Finland, 3-year artist grant of the State of Finland.
Project grants: VISEK 2021,
The Lehtinen Foundation 2018, Frame 2013, 2010, 2008, Niilo Helander Foundation 2009, The State of Finland 2006, 2001, 1998, 1988, 1981, 1978, The Finnish Culture Fund 2021, 2008, 1998, 1994, Uudenmaan Taidetoimikunta organization 1997, 1990, The Paulo Foundation 1986, The City of Helsinki 1991, 1987, 1983, Leo and Regina Wainstein Foundation 1982, The City of Lahti 1979, Alfred Kordelin Foundation 1990, 1979, The Artists' Association of Finland 1980, The Finnish Culture Fund's Päijät-Hämeen rahasto foundation 1979, Helsinki Saskia organization 1977, Suomen Kulttuurirahaston Mikkelin läänin maakuntarahasto foundation 1976, The Art committee of the county of Mikkeli 1973 Recognition award for meritorious work as a creative artist: The artist pension of the State of Finland as a half pension 2015

ACTIVITIES IN ARTISTS' ORGANISATIONS

A founder member of cooperation and Galerie TOOLBOX Berlin, member of the leadership 2012–, chairman 2016–20
Chairman of the Representative Body of the Artists' Association of Finland 2003–2005
Chairman of The Finnish Painters Union 1993–94, 1995–96, member of the leadership 1983–86, 1991–96, vice chairman 1992 The leadership of the Finnish Artists' Association, vice chairman 1993–96
The committee of the Atelierhouse Foundation of Helsinki, 1986–89, chairman 1987–89
The leadership of the Artists' Association of Helsinki 1982–84, vice chairman 1983

The leadership of Artists' Association of Lahti, secretary 1979–80, vice chairman 80–81

WORKING AS A TEACHER

Aalto University, School of Arts, Design and Architecture, Helsinki, part-time art teacher, evaluator and counselor of the university degree of master of arts 2010–2016

The University of Art and Design Helsinki, part-time art teacher and evaluator of the university degree of master of arts 1984–2010, lecturer of art 2007–2010

Evetek, Espoo–Vantaa Design Institute 1998–2000

Pekka Halonen Fine Arts Academy 1998–2002

The Fine Arts School of Imatra

Open University (in The University of Art and Design Helsinki) 1988–98

The Art School of the Artists' Association of Helsinki 1982–97

The Folk Academy of Eastern Helsinki 1982–84

Helsinki Central Hospital for handicapped persons, the counselor of art therapy groups 1981–84

The Art Industrial Design School of Lahti 1979–81

The Workers' Academy of Lahti 1978–81

The Folk Academy of Nastola 1978–81

The Art School of the Artists' Association of Lahti 1978–81

The Folk Academy of Harjula (Lahti) 1979–81

The Art College of Savonlinna 1973

The Folk Academy of Rantasalmi 1972–73

Summer and other courses around Finland since 1977

Lectures and presentations in several art schools and seminars, for instance the Drawing School of Turku, Kerava Art Museum

WORKING AS AN EXPERT

The curator of the first Mänttä Contemporary Art Festival exhibition 1993

The curator of Ikaalinen Art Center thematic summer exhibitions 1996–99

The curator of the Lahti Artists' Association-exhibition in Hamburg, Germany 1979

Member of the jury of A szin, 5. Grafikai Biennale, Munkacs Mihaly Muzeum, Bekescsaba, Hungary 1986

Member of the jury of the art competition of Kuopio Music Center 1985

Member of the jury of the art competition of the Porvoo Hospital 2008 • Member of the Turku XL -Art Fair Committee 1995 • Member of the jury of the annual Finnish Artists' Association's Exhibition 2005, 1999, 1992

OTHER ACTIVITIES

A presentation "Artist's social demands" at Art and society-symposium, Berlin, Germany 2010

A speech at the 6th international conference of the Artists' Association of Soviet Union, Kreml, Moscow 1983

MEMBER OF ARTISTS' ORGANISATIONS

A founder-member of cooperative / Galerie TOOLBOX Berlin since 2012 The Finnish painters Union since 1977

PRIZES

4th prize in Kemira's painting competition, 1998

PUBLICATIONS

Juha Sääski exhibition catalogue: Photograph collages / Photographs, 2022
Juha Sääski exhibition catalogue: Malerei/ Paintings 2021
Did you see 2019 – Come and see 2020, tm-gallery, Finnish Painters' Union 2020
Taide (Art magazine) 1/2019, critics: Raisa Jäntti
Did you see 2018, Come and see 2019, tm-gallery, Finnish Painters' Union 2019
PAX exhibition catalogue, Vantaa Art Museum Artsi 2018
TAIDE (Art magazine) 6/2017, Otso Kantokorpi: Muraalit vs. harmaa betoni (Murals versus gray concrete)
Supermarket 17, Stockholm Independent Art Fair catalogue 2017
Tiina Lamminen and Mauri Pajunen: Kanavatyö (Cross-stitch),
Suomen Käsityön Museo (The Finnish Handicraft Museum), Jyväskylä 2014
BELA Biennale, Museu Histórico Nacional/Centro Cultural Rio Scenarium, Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, exhibition catalogue 2014
Jangva Gallery, 20 years jubilee art book 2014
Spark, critical contemporary art and design, exhibition catalogue, Fiskars 2013
Juha Sääski exhibition catalogue Galerie TOOLBOX, Berlin 2013
Bigs (Berlin Independents Guide) What did I miss at Supermarket 2013
Supermarket 2013, Stockholm Independent Art Fair catalogue
Social Box, Galerie TOOLBOX Berlin exhibition catalogue 2012
Västra Nyland, Interview by Marit Lundström 2012
Voima-magazin 1/12 Interview by Otso Kantokorpi 2012
art-in-berlin, online art-magazin, interview by Teresa Köster 2010
Kipu (Pain) exhibition catalogue, Kerava Art Museum 2010
Memory Traces exhibition-book (publisher Silvana Editoriale S.p.A, Italy 2010
Jangva Gallery, 15 years jubilee art book 2009
Juha Sääski exhibition catalogue Galerie Sebastianskapelle, Muu-gallery, Zebra-gallery 2008
Orton Gallery catalogue number 6, interview by Otso Kantokorpi 2007
Juha Sääski exhibition catalogue Forum Box Gallery 2006 / Kiila's album, Kiila 70 years exhibition catalogue 2006
Taide art magazin 1/2005 interview by Mika Karhu 2005
Näitkö 2004 ? TM-gallery publication 2005
The Mänttä Contemporary Art Exhibition catalogue 1999
The Mänttä Contemporary Art Exhibition catalogue 1995
Art Minorexhibition catalogue, The Arthouse of Naantali 1987
Anne Valkonen: Art in the built environment (Taide rakennetussa ympäristössä), Rakentajain Kustannus 1986
The annual book of Finnish art: An artist as a teacher, 1985
The University magazine 1.2. 1985
The annual book of Finnish art: The images of the year 84, 1984
Erkylän Ometta (Artists' Association of Hyvinkää) exhibition catalogue 1983
The annual book of Finnish art 1982
The annual book of Finnish art 1981
Taide art magazin 5/81, report of a tunnel painting 1981
Juha Sääski exhibition catalogue, Lahti City Art Museum 1980
Art from Lahti 1950–1980 exhibition catalogue, Lahti Art Museum 1980
The annual book of Finnish art: the accounts of art, 1979
The Annual Young Artists' exhibition catalogue 1974, -75, -76, -77, -78, -79, -82, -83, -85
The Annual exhibition of the Finnish Artists' Association exhibition catalogue 1976, -77, -78, -80, -84,

-85, -86, -90

Tens of newspaper articles, interviews and exhibition critics, for instance in Helsingin Sanomat

VIDEOS

YouTube: Solo show opening in Galeriehaus Nord, Nurnberg, Germany 2010, (Andre Debus)

YouTube: The artist interviews of "Drawing in the flesh" drawing exhibition, 2013 (Mika Karhu)

YouTube: Juha Sääski virtual exhibition at Galleria Sculptor 2021

FORTHCOMING GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

Solo shows:

Tampere 2023, "The past, the present, the future", 18.11. - 18.12. 2023, Photograph collages and photographs, Photograph Center/Gallery Nykyaika

Berlin 2024, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX, "The COVID-paintings" 27.4.-25.5. 2024

Group shows:

Berlin, Drawings from Iran and Finland, October 2023, Galerie/Projektraum TOOLBOX