

## Katja Tukiainen

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### Education

- 2022 Doctor of Fine Arts, Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki (FI)  
2009 Master of Fine Arts, Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki (FI)  
1996 Master of Arts, University of Art and Design, Helsinki (FI)  
1994 – 1995 Accademia di Belle Arti di Venezia, Venice (IT)

### Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 *The Circus*, Finlayson Art Area & Galleria Himmelblau, Tampere (FI)  
2023 *The Secret Society*, Makasiini Contemporary, Turku (FI)  
*The name of the colour is the GIRL*, Galleria Snow, Berlin (DE)  
2022 *Painted Paths*, Gallery Halmetoja, Helsinki (FI)  
2021 *Flaming Bras*, Auran Galleria, Turku (FI)  
*Fear no GIRL*, Kuhmo-talo, Kuhmo (FI)  
*The Pure in Heart Shall See the Unicorn*, Gallery Himmelblau, Tampere (FI)  
2020 *Who is the SHERiff*, Halmetoja goes Akateeminen, Helsinki (FI)  
*Delacroix & moi*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki (FI)  
2019 *Jesus & moi*, Pyhän Henrikin Ekumeeninen Taidekappeli, Turku (FI)  
*Katja Tukiainen*, Gallery Futurism & Company, Rome (IT)  
*Write to me*, MACRO Asilo, Museum of Contemporary Art, Rome (IT)  
2018 *Play the field GIRL*, Makasiini Contemporary, Turku (FI)  
2017 *Hang Loose*, Gallery Saariaho-Järvenpää, Helsinki (FI)  
*Dangerous Landscapes*, Galleria Himmelblau, Tampere (FI)  
2016 *Katja Tukiainen VS Sigga Björg Sigurðardóttir*, The Museum of Drawings, Laholm (SE)  
*Lunapark Abbondanato*, Core Gallery, Rome (IT)  
2015 *P is for Paradise*, Auran Galleria, Turku (FI)  
2014 *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, Galleria Kouvulinna, Pukkila (FI)  
*Paradis n (Nameless Heroes)*, Luukku Atelier, Budapest, (HU)  
*Comrade!*, Finnish Toy Museum, WeeGee Exhibition Centre, Espoo (FI)  
2013 *Beautiful World / Kaunis Maaailma*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki (FI)  
*Cake Theory*, collaboration with Riiko Sakkinen, Galerija Alkatraz, Ljubljana (SI)  
2012 *Paradis L*, Lönnström Art Museum, Rauma (FI)  
2011 *Such a Lovely Place*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki (FI)  
2010 *Paradis F*, Tasty Gallery, Riga (LV)  
*Paradis E*, Finnish Culture Institute of Estonia, Tallinn (EE)  
*Good Heavens!*, EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Espoo (FI)  
*Paradis D*, Café Bar No 9, Helsinki (FI)  
2009 *Sveta Nebesa!*, KUD Gallery, Ljubljana (SI)  
*Playground –my work is my pleasure*, Korjaamo Gallery, Helsinki (FI)  
*Katja Tukiainen Exhibition*, Gallery 100 Svoih, Saint Petersburg (RU)  
2008 *Red Curtains*, Nordic ArtWorks London Gallery, London (GB)

- Paintings*, Finnish Culture Institute of Sweden, Stockholm (SE)  
*Paintings*, Galleria Krista Mikkola, Helsinki (FI)
- 2006 *A thousand dollars buck*, Galleria Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki (FI)
- 2005 *Nursing diary*, Galleria Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki (FI)
- 2004 *Paintings and comics*, Kouvola Art Museum, Kouvola (FI)
- 2003 *Tuliainen*, Galleria Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki (FI)
- 2002 *Post from India*, café BAR nro 9, Helsinki (FI)
- 2001 *Paintings*, Gallery Artaround by Krista Mikkola, (FI)
- 2000 *When the pee does not come*, Finnish Cultural Institute of Estonia, Tallinn (EE)
- 1999/2000 *Crochet Hook*, Galleria Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki (FI)
- 1999 *Tyttö ja mummo*, Galleria Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki (FI)
- 1996 *Sins = eleven pink elephants*, Kinki Galleria, Helsinki (FI)
- 1995 *Sant' Agata and other paintings*, Into Galleria, Helsinki (FI)

### **Selected Group Exhibitions**

- 2025 *Papermade*, Biennale Internazionale di Opere di Carta Palazzo Fogazzaro, Schio (IT)
- 2024 *Bambi Forever!*, HAM Helsinki Art Museum, Helsinki (FI)  
*Pillow Talk*, Vaasa Arthall, Vaasa (FI)  
*Fortune Teller by Katja & Matti's Detective Agency*, Finlayson Art Area, Tampere (FI)  
*Claws and Connections – All the World's Senses*, Kuva/Tila, Helsinki (FI)
- 2023 *Haaveita ja näkyjä – nykytaidetta Nelimarkka-Rahastosta*, Halosenniemi, Tuusula (FI)  
*Katja & Matti's Detective Agency*, Danielson-Kalmarin Huvila, Vääksy (FI)  
*About Art*, Summer Exhibition, Logomo, Turku (FI)  
*Ding Dong -From Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation Collection*, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Rovaniemi (FI)
- 2022 *Morning Coffee on the Roof of a Town*, Serlachius Museum Gösta, Mänttä (FI)  
*OpenArt*, Örebro (SE)  
*NordArt*, Kunstwerk Carlshütte, Rendsburg/Büdelndorf (DE)  
*Personal Structures*, Palazzo Bembo, Venice (IT)  
*Subterranean*, Amos Rex, Helsinki (FI)
- 2021 *Kesänäyttely*, Pinxinmäki Art Hall, Sysmä (FI)
- 2020 *Merry Things*, Rovaniemi Art Museum Korundi, Rovaniemi (FI)
- 2019 *Personal Structures*, Palazzo Mora, Venice (IT)  
*Classic Works of Fine Art at the Manor*, Serlachius Museum Gösta, Mänttä (FI)  
*The Annual Spring Exhibition*, Galleri Thomassen, Göteborg (SE)  
*Nordiske akvareller 2019*, Frederikshavn Kunstmuseum, Frederikshavn (DK)
- 2018 *Fusion*, The Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn (SE)  
*Transizioni e Passaggi*, Spacio Cerere, Rome (IT)  
*The Finnish Illusion*, The Finnish Embassy in Washinton, Washinton D.C. (US)  
*Travel Altar R2014*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää (FI)  
*The Finnish Illusion*, Spruill Gallery, Atlanta (US)
- 2017 *Self Mascot in Grandi Formati*, Mondrian Suite Art Gallery, Rome (IT)  
*NordArt 2017*, Kunstwerk Carlshütte, Büdelndorf (DE)  
*Open storage – Remembering for the Future*, Pori Art Museum, Pori (FI)

- Art Goes Logomo*, Turku (FI)
- Finnish Fireworks*, Malmö Museum, Malmö (SE)
- Reckless*, Artsi Vantaa Art Museum, Vantaa (FI)
- 2016 *European Cuteness*, Sofia Arsenal, Museum of Contemporary Art, Sofia (BG)
- PoPism – Da Warhol a Banksy*, LOC Museo Comune di Capo D'Orlando, Sicily (IT)
- Hyper Mentalized artworks - Hypo mentalized artists*, Art Yourself Gallery, Bucharest (RO)
- PoPism*, Palazzo Corvaja, Taormina (IT)
- Come to Finland*, Tobaksmagasinet, Pietarsaari City Museum, Pietarsaari (FI)
- Extension European Cuteness Art*, Istituto di Cultura Italiano in Romania, Bucharest (RO)
- European Cuteness Art*, Palace of Parliament of Romania, Bucharest (RO)
- Pidot pyöreänurkkaisessa talossa*, G12 Gallery, Kuopio (FI)
- Wound*, Seppo Fränti Art Collection Exhibition, Lapinlahden Lähde, Helsinki (FI)
- Boutique -where art meets fashion*, The Nordic Embassies Felleshus, Berlin (DE)
- 2015 *The Adventure Can Begin*, The Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn (SE)
- Touch*, EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Espoo (FI)
- Beyond Eden 15*, Copro Gallery, Santa Monica, California (US)
- Katja Tukiainen & Matti Hagelberg*, Taiga Space, Saint Petersburg (RU)
- Summer Fair*, Auran Galleria, Turku (FI)
- Gisp!*, Nordatlantens Brygge, Copenhagen (DE)
- IV Bienal Fin del Mundo*, Mar del Plata (AR)
- 2014 *Boutique -Where Art Meets Fashion*, Spiral Art Garden, Tokyo (JP)
- Gisp! Nordic House*, Torshavn (FO)
- Business Talk Partner Zone*, Wayfarers Gallery, Brooklyn, NY (US)
- Business Talk Regional*, Kavárna Mlýnská, Prague (CZ)
- Contaminazioni 014 Roma*, GARD Galleria Arte Roma Design, Rome (IT)
- Contaminazioni 014*, Muzeul de Istorie Nationala si Archeologia de Constanta, Constanta (RO)
- Under The Cuteness*, Hybrida Contemporanea, Roma (IT)
- Loviisa Contemporary*, Loviisa (FI)
- Tampere Biennale*, Winter Garden, Tampere Hall, Tampere (FI)
- Heponauta*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää (FI)
- Häntä pystyy!*, Oulu City Art Museum, Oulu (FI)
- Altar*, Tuusula Art Museum, Tuusula (FI)
- 2013 *Schenken als Problem*, Group Global 3000, Berlin (DE)
- Boutique -where art meets fashion*, Embassy of Finland, Washington D.C. (US)
- Blab Show*, Copro Gallery, Santa Monica, California (US)
- The Name The Nose*, Museolaboratorio Ex Manifattura Tabacchi, Citta Sant'Angelo (IT)
- Respetando los derechos humanos nunca saldremos da la crisis*, AVAart, Gijón (ES)
- Tekijän oikeudella*, Telakkakatu 6, Helsinki (FI)
- Homelessness Fair*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää (FI)
- Art Argos*, Stockmann Argos-hall, Helsinki (FI)
- 2012 *Boutique -where art meets fashion*, Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki (FI)
- Mazzano!*, The Museum of Estonian Architecture, Tallinn (EE)
- Himmelblau at Retretti*, Retretti Art Center, Punkaharju (FI)
- Eyeballing!* KIASMA Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki (FI)

- 2011 *Mazzano!* Tampere Art Museum, Tampere (FI)  
*Camping Trip*, Salo Art Museum, Salo (FI)  
*Little Red Riding Hood*, Lahti Art Museum, Lahti (FI)  
*Mazzano!*, Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki (FI)
- 2010 *Little Red Riding Hood*, Oulu Art Museum, Oulu (FI)  
*8140 kg – Anssi Kasitonni – Jani Leinonen – Katja Tukiainen*, TR1 Tampere Art Museum, Tampere (FI)  
*Candy Cane Meets 61 Hearts*, Persten Pop-up Gallery, Helsinki (FI)  
*Kauhea Ilo*, Mänttä Art Festival 2010, Mänttä (FI)  
*Contemporary Nordic Comics*, Nordic Watercolor Museum, Skärhamn (SE)
- 2009 *Ghost*, St John on Bethnal Green, London, (GB)  
*Hyvät Naiset*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää (FI)  
*Artists' Kalevala*, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki (FI)  
*Trickle Down Theory*, Korjaamo Gallery, Helsinki (FI)
- 2008 *Henki*, Galleria Jangva, Helsinki (FI)  
*Liebe Malarei, maler me!*, Showroom X, Helsinki (FI)  
*Inga Saetre and Katja Tukiainen*, Finnish-Norwegian Culture Institute, Oslo (NO)  
*Sampo*, 4mula Gallery, Saint Petersburg (RU)  
*Helsinki à Saint Sulpice*, Saint Sulpice, Paris (FR)  
*Piirustusluokka*, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Helsinki (FI)  
*Akkurat!*, Bomuldsfabrik Kunsthall, Arendal (NO)
- 2007 *Nord in progress*, Firenze (IT)  
*KomMissia*, Moskva (RU)  
*Idän taju*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää (FI)  
*Points of View*, Fiskars (FI)  
*Amerikka!*, Taidekeskus Ihana, Heinola (FI)  
*Kuvia ja kuplia*, Lahti Art Museum, Lahti (FI)
- 2006 *Terrortory*, Pakt/// Gallery, Amsterdam (NL)  
*Terrortory*, Muu gallery, Helsinki (FI)  
*Unterwegs*, Fumetto Gallery, Luzern (CH)  
*Regardless of the weather*, Gallery Karton, Budapest (HU)  
*Katja Tukiainen & Matti Hagelberg en Inde*, Institut Finlandais, Paris (FR)  
*Soleil de minuit*, Angouleme (FR)  
*Kaikuja Idästä*, Voipaalan kulttuurikeskus, Voipaala (FI)  
*Art Supermarket Pikasso*, Helsinki (FI)
- 2005 *Pictures & Words*, Magma Clerkenwell, London, (GB)  
*Helsinki International*, Korjaamo Gallery, Helsinki (FI)  
*6th Salaolisboa – De illustracao e banda desenhada*, Bedeteca, Lisbon (PT)  
*Comics aus Finnland*, Fumetto Gallery, Luzern (CH)  
*Nian*, Reykjavik Art Museum, Reykjavik (IS)  
*Keep on the asphalt*, Auckland (NZ)  
*Kaikuja Idästä*, Kiskon kivimakasiinit, Kisko (FI)  
*Sharp Shooting*, St Paul, Auckland (NZ)
- 2003 *Tyttöjen elämästä*, Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki (FI)  
*Tiettyä magnetismia*, Lönnström Art Museum, Rauma (FI)

- Keep on the asphalt*, Cable-Factory, Helsinki (FI)  
*Biennale of Young Artists of Europe and Mediterranean*, Athens (GR)  
 2001 *106th Annual Exhibition of Finnish Artists*, Jyväskylä Art Museum, Jyväskylä (FI)  
*A letter for a dead friend*, Picasso Museum, Luzern (CH)  
*Allakka*, Lönnström Art Museum, Rauma (FI)  
*Mielikuva*, Mänttä Art Festival 2001, Mänttä (FI)  
*Mazzanon aika*, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Helsinki (FI)  
*Young artists 2001*, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Helsinki (FI)  
 2000 *Big Torino -biennale di arte emergente*, Torino (IT)  
 1999 *Whom should I call next?*, Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki (FI)  
 1996 *Ruudun valossa*, Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Tampere (FI)  
 1995 *Sarjakuvastin triennaali*, Galleria Jangva, Helsinki (FI)  
*Naissarjakuvataiteilijat*, Vanha ylioppilastalo, Helsinki (FI)  
*XLV Rassegna d'Arte 1995*, Palazzo Oliva, Sassoferrato (IT)  
*Arte a Pordenone*, Pordenone (IT)  
*Auto Arte*, Tronchetto Parking, Venice (IT)  
 1992 *Naarassarjat*, Galleria Pinacoteca, Jyväskylä (FI)

## Works in Collections

- Amos Anderson's Art Museum (FI)  
 Dittmar & Ingrenius Art Collection (FI)  
 Finland State Art Collection (FI)  
 Gösta Serlachius Fine Arts Foundation (FI)  
 Halland County Art Collection (SE)  
 Halmstad Municipality Art Collection (SE)  
 Helsinki Art Museum (FI)  
 Hämeenlinna Art Museum (FI)  
 Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art (FI)  
 Kouvola Art Museum (FI)  
 Lahti Museum of Visual Arts Malva, Finland (FI)  
 Lönnström Art Museum (FI)  
 Museolaboratorio Ex Manifattura Tabacchi (IT)  
 Nelimarkka Foundation (FI)  
 Nordic Watercolour Museum (SE)  
 Saastamoinen Foundation (FI)  
 Sassoferrato City Art Collection (IT)  
 Salo Art Museum (FI)  
 Seppo Fränti Art Collection (FI)  
 Tuusula Municipality Art Collection (FI)  
 The City of Oulu Art Collection (FI)  
 The City of Pori Art Collection, Pori Art Museum, Pori (FI)  
 The City of Turku Art Collection & Turku Technology Properties, Turku, Finland (FI)  
 The Museum of Drawings (SE)  
 Wihuri Foundation (FI)

## Public Works

2022	<i>Ilo</i> , large oil painting, Paavola Campus Hall, Lahti (FI)
2022	<i>I hear You</i> , sculptures on the wall, Gamla Gatan, Örebro, (SE)
2021	<i>Sky &amp; Earth</i> , New Prison for Women, Hämeenlinna (FI)
2021	<i>Mari Puoskari</i> , portrait of the chair of Helsinki City Board, oil painting, Helsinki City Hall, Helsinki (FI)
2020	<i>Tiger &amp; Butterfly</i> , painting on glass, Hima & Sali Cafe, Cable Factory, Helsinki (FI)
2017	<i>Meditation GIRL</i> , electrical cabinet, Uudenmaakatu 32, Helsinki (FI) (vanished)
2012	<i>Katja Tukiainen Art Suite</i> , Klaus K Hotel, Helsinki (FI)
2009	"Secret Garden", murals, HUS Childrens Hospital, Helsinki (FI)

## Awards

2011	William Thuring Price, The Finnish Art Society (FI)
2007	State Prize, Central Art Council of Finland (FI)
2003	Puupää -hat, Finland's comics association (FI)

## Grants

2023	Visual arts council project grant
2022	Finnish cultural foundation
2021	Finnish cultural foundation
2020	Public display grant for visual artist
2019	Finnish-Swedish Cultural Foundation
2018	The Arts Promotion Centre Finland
2017	Kone Foundation
	Finnish cultural foundation
	The Arts Promotion Centre Finland
2013	Frame Visual Art Finland
	Visual arts council project grant
2012	5 year state grant for visual artist
2010	Visual arts council project grant
2009	Finnish cultural foundation
	Niilo Helander Foundation
2008	Public display grant for visual artist
2006	Finnish cultural foundation
2005	Finnish cultural foundation
2004	Alfred Kordelin foundation
2003	Public display grant for visual artist
	Visual arts council project grant
2002	1 year state grant for visual artist
2001	Tammi foundation
	Library grant
2000	Finnish cultural foundation
1998	Finnish cultural foundation

## Art Collaborations

- 2020 *Do-gooders*, interactive light painting, collaboration with OiOi, sound designer Aki Päivärinne, LUX Helsinki 2020 and Unicef Finland (FI)
- 2018 *Black & pink*, murals in collaboration with Sigga Björg Sigurðardóttir in Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn, Sweden (SE)
- 2017 *Race to the stars*, vr-painting by Katja Tukiainen, sound by Heidi Fast, in collaboration with Digitalents Helsinki (FI)
- 2017 *Paradis Q*, vr-painting by Katja Tukiainen, in collaboration with Digitalents Helsinki (FI)
- 2017 *HejHyje!* painting by Katja Tukiainen on the seal sculpture by Stefan Lindfors, in collaboration with Baltic Sea Project (FI)
- 2016 *Katja Tukiainen's LUX painting* on the facade of Helsinki Cathedral, in collaboration with Lux Helsinki and Sun Effects Oy (FI)
- 2012 *Girl Evacuees*, sculptures and paintings by Katja Tukiainen, unique dresses by Samu-Jussi Koski, in collaboration with Amos Andersson Art Museum (FI) (USA) (DE) (JP)

## Artist in residencies

- 2018 Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn, Sweden  
Arabia Art Department Association (studio residency), Helsinki, Finland
- 2017 Digitalents Helsinki (studio residency), Helsinki, Finland
- 2016 The Museum of Drawings, Laholm, Sweden
- 2014 Luukku Atelier, Finnagora, Budapest, Hungary
- 2009 Spiral / Walcoal Art Center & Bank Art Residence, Yokohama, Japan
- 2008 77 Bleecker Street, Finnish Cultural Institute in New York
- 2003 Keep on the asphalt -artists on the road residency, with Niko Luoma and Riiko Sakkinen, Helsinki, Sarajevo, Tirana and Athens
- 1997 Mazzano Romano, Väinö Tanner Foundation, Italy

## Art Fairs

- 2016 ArtHelsinki, Helsinki, Gallery Saariaho Järvenpää (FI)
- 2015 Affordable Art Fair, Stockholm, Gallery Kadieff (SE)
- 2011 Helsinki Art Fair, Helsinki, Galerie Forsblom (FI)
- 2010 Copenhagen Art Fair, Korjaamo Gallery (DK)  
Helsinki Art Fair, Helsinki, Korjaamo Gallery (FI)
- 2009 Helsinki Art Fair, Helsinki, Korjaamo Gallery (FI)
- 2007 Glasgow Art Fair, Glasgow, Nordic Art Works(UK)  
Affordable Art Fair, London, Nordic Art Works (UK)  
London Art Fair, London, Nordic Art Works (UK)
- 1995 Art Fair of Pordenone, Pordenone, Venice Academy of Fine Arts (IT)

## Artist Monographs & notable publications on the field of Artist Research

**Tukiainen, Katja** 2022: *Tyttöarmeija - Kerronnallinen maalaus tilassa*. Helsinki: Taideyliopiston Kuvataideakatemia.

**Tukiainen, Katja & Wardi, Eva** 2023: "Keskustelu Rafael Wardin taiteesta". Teoksessa *Rafael Wardi*. Helsinki: Didrichsen.

**Sakkinen, Riiko; Tukiainen, Katja & Zamudio, Raoul** 2013: *Katja Tukiainen Works II*, 216 p., Helsinki: Parvs Publishing.

**Valjakka, Timo** 2007: *Katja Tukiainen Works*, 128 p., Lahti: Daada Publishing.

## Comic Books

- 2024            **K50**, Katja Tukiainen, (The publisher will be announced soon)
- 2015            **The Raisin**, Katja Tukiainen, 100 s., Boom Kniga, (RU)
- 2010            **Kisun 1,2,3**, Katja Tukiainen, 32 s. Otava (FI)
- 2008            **Russinät**, Katja Tukiainen, 100 s. Optimal Press, (SE)  
**Rusina**, Katja Tukiainen, 96 s. Like kustannus (FI)
- 2007            **Kisun ABC**, Katja Tukiainen, 32 s. Otava (FI)
- 2003            **Brev från Indien**, Katja Tukiainen, 96 s. Optimal press, Ruotsi (SE)
- 2002            **Postia Intiasta**, Katja Tukiainen, 96 s. Suomen Yrityslehdet (FI)
- 1999            **Jos olisin prinsessa**, Katja Tukiainen, 24 s. Suomen Yrityslehdet (FI)  
**A-B-C-D**, Katja Tukiainen, 128 s. omakustanne, Sarjakuva-automaatti (FI)
- 1998            **Tyttö ja mummo**, Katja Tukiainen, 45 s. Kustannus oy Jalava (FI)
- 1997            **Tyttöjen leikit**, Katja Tukiainen, 46 s. Kustannus oy Jalava (FI)

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