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## MEMBERSHIPS

The Finnish Painters' Union  
The Helsinki Artists' Association 1972-75  
The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association  
The Seinäjoki Artists' Association  
Non Art Group  
Seinäjoki Art Museum Society  
SARV (The Union of Finnish Critics)  
AICA (International Association of Art Critics)

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

Galleria Kluuvi, Helsinki 1973.  
Art Hall, Vaasa 1974.  
TM-galleria, Helsinki 1975.  
Ässä Gallery, Helsinki 1976.  
Bronda Gallery, Helsinki 1980.  
Ostrobothnian Museum, Vaasa 1980.  
Galleria Kluuvi, Helsinki 1981.  
Galleria Kaivopuisto, Helsinki 1984.  
Kivirikko Artists' House, Seinäjoki 1984.  
K.H. Renlund Museum, Kokkola 1984.  
Oulu Art Museum, Oulu 1984.  
Art Center Mältinranta, Tampere 1985.  
Galleria Kaivopuisto, Helsinki 1986.  
Nelimarkka Museum, Alajärvi 1986.  
Space Gallery, Helsinki 1988.  
"Paintings", Seinäjoki 1989.  
TransForm, Helsinki 1990.  
Galleri Viktor, Uusikaarlepyy 1990.  
Galleria 1, Turku 1991.  
Gallerie Mannerheim, Kokkola 1991.  
Ostrobothnian Museum, Vaasa 1992.  
Pohjola Ltd, Helsinki 1993.  
Galleria 1, Turku 1993.

Café Ernst, Vaasa 1994.  
Marian Portti, Lahti 1995.  
Kauhava Librady, Kauhava 1996.  
Galleria 1, Turku 1996.  
Baghuset, Copenhagen 1996.  
Galleria Dix, Helsinki 1998.  
"Essential Objects", Vaasa 2003.  
"Cool Setting", Helsinki, 2004.  
"Painted World", Seinäjoki, 2006.  
"Mundo Pintado", Madrid, 2006.  
"Painted World – Orbis Pictus", Helsinki 2008.  
"Paluu – Return", Seinäjoki 2011, Jalasjärvi 2012.

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

VIII Triennial of Finnish Fine Art, Helsinki 1971, on Tour 1971-1972.  
The Finnish Artists' Exhibiton 1972, 1973, 1974, 1976, 1979, 1980, 1982, 1985.  
The 78th Finnish Artists' Exhibiton on Tour 1972.  
Exhibition of the State of Finland, Turku 1974, Helsinki 1976.  
The Finnish Painters' Union 1974, 1975, 1977, 1980.  
The Union of Finnish Art Associations 1972-1974, 1976, 1980, 1985, 1989, 1991-1993, 1999.  
The Helsinki Artists' Association 1972, 1973, 1974.  
Exhibition of Young Artists 1972, 1978.  
The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association 1968, 1973, 1976-1996, 1999, 2001, 2003-2005, 2007.  
The Seinäjoki Artists' Association 1978, 1981, 1987-1997, 1999-2011.  
The Botnia Artists' Society 1974, 1981-1987, 1989-1996, 2009-2010.  
Mataristo, Summer Exhibition 1973, 1975.  
Pirkanpohja, Summer Exhibition 1974-1985.  
Voipaala, Summer Exhibition 1977, 1984.  
Art-Tuusulanjärvi, Summer Exhibition 1978, 1979.  
Voipaala in Winter 1981.  
Lehtimäki Symposium, Scandinavian Environmental Art 1982.  
"Taideposa", Kankaanpää 1984.  
Art-Ilmajoki, Summer Exhibition 1986-1999.  
Ostrobothnian Art in Helsinki 1988.  
Artebotnia, Exhibitions in Finland 1985-1987, 1997.  
"Nordiske Kunst", Scandinavian Art, Seinäjoki 1990.  
The Union of Finnish Art Associations, Summer Exhibition 1991, 1993.  
Art Herttua, Ylistaro 1993.  
Seinäjoki Art Museum Society 1994.  
"Kantokorpis' Celebrated Show", Seinäjoki 1995.  
Area Exhibition of the Vaasa Province 1996.  
"Old Guard", Pirkanpohja 1996.  
"Ways of Art", Seinäjoki 1996.  
"The Bridge", Rauma 1996.  
"101 Miniatures", Seinäjoki 1997.  
"Blue August", Turku 1997.  
"Hiironen+Mäki-Tuuri+Tanninen", Seinäjoki 1997.  
"Nelimarkka +", Alajärvi 1997.  
"By the Time", The Union of Finnish Art Associations' the 60th Anniversary, Turku 1998.

LappaVilla, Summer Exhibition, Lappajärvi 1999, 2004.  
"Manninen+Mäki-Tuuri+Tanninen", Alavus 1999.  
"Form-Trait-Portrait", Vaasa 2000.  
"On the Road of the Fourth Wind", Salo 2001.  
"Artists in Ernst", Vaasa 2001, 2002.  
"On the Road", Finnish Painters' Union on Tour, Seinäjoki 2002.  
The Ostrobothnian Artists' Association, 60 Years Anniversary, Ähtäri 2003, Vaasa 2003.  
"Ostrobothnian Art", Seinäjoki, 2006.  
"From My Studio", Lapua 2007.  
"Vanishing Horizon", Joensuu 2007, Seinäjoki 2007.  
"Hidden Horizon", Jyväskylä, 2008.  
"Oldenboys", Vaasa 2008.  
"PLAY", Salo 2009–2010.  
"Korkea Lakeus – Plain High", Pirkanpohja, Ähtäri 2011.

## INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS

The 5th International Biennial of Ibiza 1972, on Tour in Spain 1972-1973.  
Young Finnish Artists in Poland (Warsaw, Wrocław, Szczecin) 1977-1978.  
"8 Finnish Artists", Valletta 1984.  
"Artebotnia", Umeå 1985, Örnsköldvik 1988, Umeå 1988.  
"Midt-Nordiske Kunstdager", Trondheim 1987.  
"Nordisk Kunst", Skagen 1989.  
"6 Finnish Artists", Skovhuset, Copenhagen 1993, Villa Aurora, Stege 1993.  
"Non Art Group in SAK", Svendborg Amts Kunstforening, Svendborg 1994.  
"Ostrobothnian Art Touring USA", Marquette 1996, Washington 1996, Toronto 1997.  
"Åbne Døre", Copenhagen 1996.  
"Art from Finland", Whiteleys Gallery, London 1997.  
"Artists as Friends", Klaipeda 1998.  
"Arte Nórdico", Centro Cultural Galileo, Madrid 1998.  
"Nordisk Kunst", Galerie Eremitage, Copenhagen 1998.  
"Non Art Group in Iceland", Institute of Culture and Fine Art, Hafnarborg 1999.  
"Finns are Fine", Inuit Galeri, Aalborg 2000.  
"Orbis Pictus", Scandinavian Art, Kulturspinderiet, Silkeborg 2002.  
"Storm og Stille", Röamölla Galleriet, Munkaljungby, Sweden 2003.  
"Selection of Finalists", Lexmark European Art Prize, London 2003.  
"Friends of Iceland", International Exhibition Touring in Iceland 2002-2004.  
"7 Künstler aus Finnland", Levantehaus, Hamburg 2004.  
"Art from Finland", VAM-Design Gallery, Budapest 2005.  
"Festival de Arte Finlandia", Porto, Portugal, 2007.  
"Korkea lakeus – Ostrobothnia", Väsby Konsthall, Väsby 2012.

## NON ART GROUP, EVENTS IN FINLAND

"Informed", Haaga 1975.  
"Visionable", Multimedia Event, Seinäjoki 1977.  
"Exhibition Concert", Non Art Group & Seinäjoki Quartet, Seinäjoki 1978.  
"Ostrobothnia -5°", International Multimedia Event; Seinäjoki 1980.  
"Light-Form-Sound", Environment Happening, Seinäjoki 1981.  
"Exhibition Concert", Non Art Group & Neum, Kurikka 1982.  
"Player Monument Happening", Törnävä Park, Seinäjoki 1983.  
Nolia Fair, Umeå 1983.

"Non Art Group 10", Seinäjoki 1984, Pietarsaari 1984.  
Helsinki Art Fair, Helsinki 1985.  
"Visual Arts & Fabricks", Kokkola 1986, Raahe 1986, Porvoo 1987, Tampere 1987.  
"Art Park, Summer Show", Seinäjoki 1988, 1990, 1992.  
"5 Artists – 5 Visions", Oulu 1989.  
"Non Art – Yes Art", Imatra 1991.  
"Non Art on Tour", Lapinlahti 1992.  
Turku Art Fair, 1992.  
"Art for Saskia", Tampere 1993.  
"Non Art Group 20", Joensuu 1995, Seinäjoki 1995.  
"Locus Oculi Borealis", Scandinavian Art, Kokkola 1997.  
"Non Art Group in Iceland", Institute of Culture and Fine Art, Hafnarborg 1999.  
"Art for Alex", Galleria Alex, Helsinki 2001.  
"Locus Oculi", Galleria Regina, Turku 2001.  
"Storm og Stille – Nordisk Kunst", Kristiina 2003.  
"Jubileum – Non Art Group 30", Scandinavian Art, Seinäjoki 2004.  
"Go Between", Art from Denmark and Finland, Seinäjoki 2007.

## COLLECTIONS

State of Finland  
Amos Anderson Art Museum  
Wäinö Aaltonen Museum  
Ostrobothnian Museum  
K.H. Renlund Museum  
Mikkeli Art Museum  
Nelimarkka Museum  
Tervakoski Art Circle  
Finnish Post and Tele  
Seinäjoki Energy  
Seinäjoki Post Centre  
Seinäjoki Central Hospital  
Pohjola  
Ilkka  
Oriola  
Nordea Collection  
Cooperative Bank Collection  
Helsinki  
Tampere  
Valkeakoski  
Vaasa  
Seinäjoki  
Raahe  
Alavus

## PUBLICATIONS

*Poems*, Anthology Vuosirengas, WSOY 1976  
*Krunoja*, Visual Poems, WSOY 1976  
*Italy Diary*, Travel Poems, Kalenteri 84, Weilin & Göös 1983  
*Ariel*, Poems, NAB 2003  
*Korpus*, Poems, NAB 2005.

*Paluu*, Poems & Photographs, NAB 2011

Online version:

[sites.google.com/site/sjtann/nonartbooks/s-j-tanninen-paluu-2](https://sites.google.com/site/sjtann/nonartbooks/s-j-tanninen-paluu-2)

Articles and Art Critics 1977-2011

Tellervo Lahti - Seppo J Tanninen:

*ME – WE, Seinäjoen Taiteilijaseura 40'*, Exhibition Book, STS, 2000.

*Alpo Keturi, Tärkeintä on olla maalari*, Artist's Biography, STY, 2005.

Juha Ilvas - Tellervo Lahti - Tuukka Tanninen - Seppo J. Tanninen:

*Seppo-Juhannus Tanninen – Maalattu maailma – Painted World*, NAB, 2009.

## DOCUMENTARIES

*Kansallistaidetta – Centenary Collection of Finnish Art* (Juha Ilvas), KOP 1989.

*Seppo J. Tanninen – Absent-Minded Hex* (edit Dan Holm, text Juha Ilvas),

Ostrobothnian Museum's Publications Nro 7, 1992.

*Ostrobothnian Art Touring US*, Nelimarkka Museum, 1996.

*Kuvia lakeuden laidalta* (edit Leena Passi), PTL 2003.

*Seppo-Juhannus Tanninen – Maalattu maailma – Painted World*

(Juha Ilvas - Tellervo Lahti - Tuukka Tanninen – Seppo J. Tanninen), NAB, 2009.

*Muusa – Helmiä Seinäjoen taidekokoelmasta* (edit Olli Sorjonen), Seinäjoki 2010.

## BLOGSITE

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## JURY & CURATOR WORK

Keski-Suomen Aluenäyttely, jury, Jyväskylä 1982.

"Virolaista taidetta – Estonian Art" -exhibition's curator, Seinäjoki 1988.

The Union of the Finnish Art Associations 50' -exhibition's jury, Turku 1988.

Suur-Helsingin Aluenäyttely, jury, Espoo 1989.

"Bridge" (Rauma – Ostrobothnia) -exhibition's curator, Rauma 1996.

Ostrobothnian Artists' Association 60' -exhibition's jury, Pirkanpohja, Ähtäri 2003.

Summer Exhibiton of SKjL -exhibition's curator, Jämsä 2006.

"Pohjalainen taide – Ostrobothnian Art" -exhibition's curator, Seinäjoki 2006.

"Jubileum – Scandinavian Art" -exhibition's curator, Seinäjoki 2004.

"Go Between – Art from Denmark and Finland" -exhibition's curator, Seinäjoki 2007.

"Muusa – Helmiä Seinäjoen taidekokoelmasta" -exhibition's curator, Seinäjoki 2010.

"Korkea Lakeus – Plain High" -exhibition's jury, Pirkanpohja, Ähtäri 2011.