

SIRPA HÄKLI | VISUAL ARTIST | PAINTER

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## RESUMÉ

Sirpa Häkli is a visual artist and painter based in Helsinki, Finland. Häkli has studied painting and printmaking at Turku School of Fine Arts, Finland (Diploma in Visual Arts 1984) and Jan Matejko Academy of Fine Arts, Cracow, Poland (Postgraduate Studies 1984–1986) and art history at University of Helsinki, Finland (Master of Arts 2009). She has exhibited since 1983 in Finland and abroad and received many national and regional grants. Häkli is a member of the Finnish Painters' Union, the Helsinki Artists' Association and the Vyborg Artists' Society.

Sirpa Häkli's work is included in many permanent art collections in Finland and abroad, among others the Finnish State Art Deposit, Ministry for Foreign Affairs and Finnish Parliament Collections, Hämeenlinna, Jyväskylä, Keuruu and Vantaa Art Museums' Collections, Kuntsi Modern Art (Vaasa) and Wäinö Aaltonen Museum (Turku) collections as well as City of Turku And Henna and Pertti Niemistö Art Foundation Collections. Art collections abroad count Polish National Museum (Gdansk), Romanian National Museum (Cluj), Sándor Nórádi Museum (Salgótarján, Hungary), Frans Masereel Center (Kasterlee, Belgium) and Luciano Benetton (Italy) Collections.

## ARTIST'S STATEMENT

I am a visual artist and painter. My main mediums are oil and acrylic colours combined with dry pigments. I also draw and make collages. Key features in my work include clarity of form and colour, a painterly style and combining techniques. My visual language is mainly non-figurative, expressive and structural.

I approach my art as a process and work serially. My themes and subjects have ranged over the years from the visual depiction of various concepts or philosophical ideas – such as time, voice, existence and humanity – to landscapes and topics in art history. Due to the broadness of the themes I produce large series of artworks, with new pieces added over a period that may span several years. As an artist I want to surprise, provide visual experiences and challenge conventional patterns of thought.

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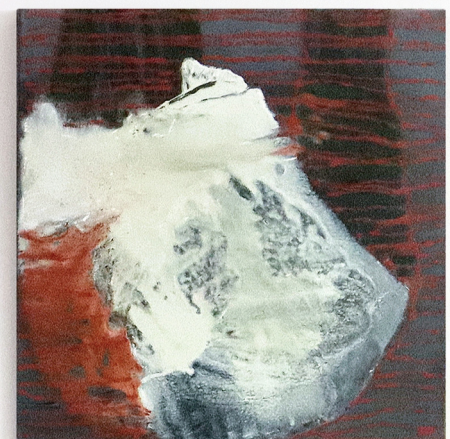
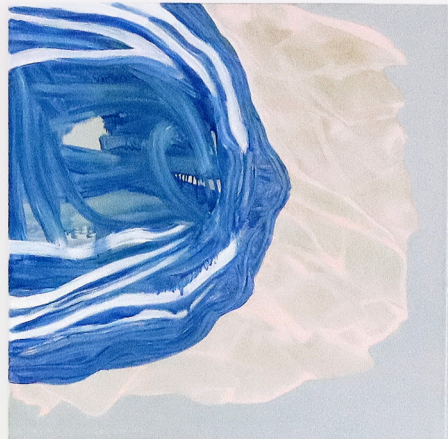
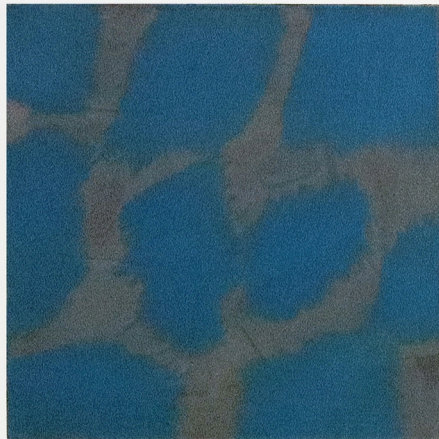
Sirpa Häkli, *Work-in-Progress*; Oil colour on canvas, 2021; Left: 150 x 150 cm; Right: 170 x 170 cm. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *Growth (I)*; Oil colour on canvas, 90 x 80 cm, 2021. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *Natural Structures* (I, IV, V); Acrylic and oil colour on canvas, à 60 x 60 cm, 2019 / 2020. Photo: ©Alma Kilpi 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *Work-in-Progress*, 2021; Oil colour on canvas; Against the wall: 80 x 80; On the floor: 170 x 170 cm, 2021. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli; From left: *Yellow Flow*, *Grey Flow* and *Red Flow*; Acrylic and oil colour on canvas, à 50x50 cm, 2020-2021. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *State of Nature (IV)*; Tempera and oil colour on canvas, 170x170 cm, 2019. Photo: ©Jouko Vatanen 2019





Solo exhibition *State of Nature*, Gallery G, Helsinki, Spring 2019. Right: *State of Nature (III)*; Oil colour on canvas, 170x170 cm, 2019. Photo: ©Titus Verhe 2019





Solo exhibition *State of Nature*, Gallery G, Helsinki, Spring 2019. From Left: *State of Nature* V, VII and VI; Acrylic and oil colour on canvas, 2019. Photo: ©Titus Verhe 2019





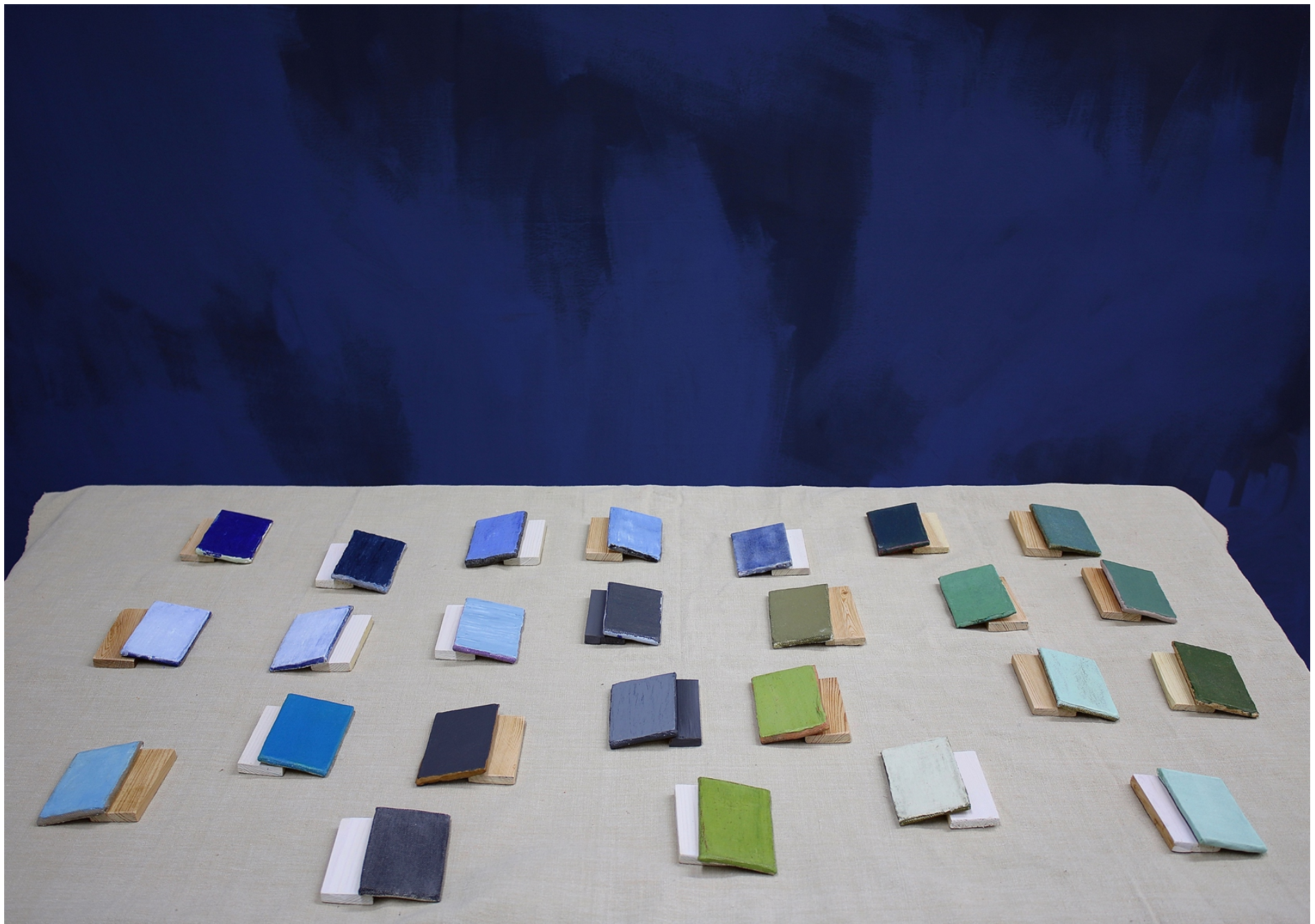
Solo exhibition *Everything Flows*, Teijon Masuuni Gallery, Salo, Winter 2020–2021. From left: *Fall (I)* and *Blue Wave (I)*; Oil colour on canvas, 2020. Photo: ©Alma Kilpi 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *Fall (III)*; Oil colour on canvas, 60 x 60 cm, 2020. Municipality of Tohmajärvi Collection. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *My Little Monochrome Series* ; Mixed media on canvas and board, à 8x4 cm, 2017-2019. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2019





Sirpa Häkli, *Ursa Major | The Great Bear* ; Assemblage (bone, stone, wood and small items on chalkboard), 42x62x6 cm, 2021. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli, *Souvenirs and Memories: Rome*; Acrylic colour, photo transfer, stone and a metal figure on canvas, 31 x 44 x 2 cm, 2021. Photo: ©Sirpa Häkli 2021





Sirpa Häkli, artworks à 23x31 cm in a series of 40 pieces named *Aesthetics and the Artist* (2012–2021);

Graphite and pigmented ink on book pages of Thomas Munro, *Toward Science in Aesthetics* (1956).

Two works named *Judith Beheading Holofernes*; Left: Pastiche (2013) based on Caravaggio's painting from 1589–1599:

Right: Pastiche (2018) based on Artemisia Gentileschi's painting from 1611–1612.

Photos: ©Sirpa Häkli 2013, 2018



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EDUCATION	2004–2009	University of Helsinki, Finland, Art History, Master of Arts
	1984–1986	Jan Matejko Academy of Fine Arts, Cracow, Poland, Postgraduate Studies
	1981–1984	Turku School of Fine Arts, Finland, Diploma in Visual Arts

**SOLO EXHIBITIONS (selection)**

2020–2021	<i>Everything Flows</i> , Teijon Masuuni Gallery, Salo
2019	<i>State of Nature</i> , Gallery G, Helsinki
2016	<i>(Mind) Space</i> , Porvoo Art Hall
2015	<i>Obscure and Clear</i> , Gallery G, Helsinki
2015	<i>Tabula rasa</i> , Poriginal Gallery, Pori
2014	<i>Artist and the Aesthetics</i> , Gallery Uusi Kipinä, Lahti
2013–2014	<i>Explanations</i> , Kouvola Art Museum Gallery
2013	<i>Painter's Diary</i> , Gallery Ville, Nurmijärvi
2011	<i>Top 25 – Confessions and Other Paintings</i> , Gallery tm, Helsinki
2011	<i>Top 25 Turku</i> , Gallery Berner, Turku
2011	<i>Top 25 Kuopio</i> , Gallery Carrée, Kuopio
2009	<i>Updated Autoportrait</i> , Malmitalo Gallery, Helsinki
1996	<i>Esse – To Be</i> , Gallery G, Helsinki
1993	Gallery Duetto, Helsinki
1990	Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku
1989	Gallery Taidegraafikot, Helsinki
1988	Gallery Okra, Vantaa
1986	Gallery Joella, Turku
1986	Gallery Sciana Wschodnia, Warsaw
1986	Gallery Rysunku i Grafiki, Gdynie, Poland
1985	Gallery Maly Rynek, Cracow, Poland

**DUO EXHIBITIONS**

2013	<i>Sirpa Häkli &amp; Carita Maury</i> , Gallery Kakelhallen, Mariehamn, Åland
1996	<i>Sirpa Häkli &amp; Melek Mazici</i> , Hämeenlinna Art Museum
1990	<i>Jaana Hytönen &amp; Sirpa Häkli</i> , Gallery Uusikuva, Kotka
1989	<i>Jaana Hytönen &amp; Sirpa Häkli</i> , Oulu Art Museum



## GROUP EXHIBITIONS (selection)

2019	<i>Unknown Time, Wiurila Summer</i> , Wiurila Manor, Salo
2018	<i>Limitless</i> , Kuusisto Art Manor, Salo
2018	<i>Art Goes Kapakka</i> , Wonderland Work, Helsinki
2017	<i>Unseen Routes, Wiurila Summer</i> , Wiurila Manor, Salo
2016	<i>In and Out; Backman, Fuat Sari, Sirpa Häkli, Kati Immonen, Sirpa Särkijärvi</i> ; Gallery OnePoint, Turku
2013	<i>Summer in Gumbostrand</i> , Gumbostrand Konst och Form Gallery, Sipoo
2013	<i>Drift–Ajelehtia–Drift; Duncan Butt Juvonen, Sirpa Häkli, Maury, Ollikainen</i> , Gallery Uusikuva, Kotka
2013	<i>Drift–Ajelehtia–Drift; Duncan Butt Juvonen, Sirpa Häkli, Maury, Ollikainen</i> , Mäلتinranta Art Center, Tampere
2012	<i>Studies on Transformation, Helene Schjerfbeck Jubilee Year Exhibition</i> , Gallery Katariina, Helsinki
2009	<i>Visions – Häkli, Tiina Lamminen, Katariina Salmijärvi, Aino Ulmanen</i> , Gallery Vanha Raatihuone, Turku
1997	<i>Studio Grafiris</i> , Matinpalo Museum, Nastola
1996	<i>Sirpa Häkli, Vappu Johansson, Taina Kokkonen</i> , Gallery Joella, Turku
1994	<i>Sirpa Häkli, Eeva-Liisa Isomaa, Melek Mazici, Ann Sundholm</i> , Gallery Artina, Helsinki
1993	<i>Monotypes</i> , Gallery G, Helsinki
1992	<i>Sirpa Häkli, Kirsi Neuvonen, Tuomo Saali</i> , Gallery Sirius, Jyväskylä

## NATIONAL AND REGIONAL EXHIBITIONS (selection)

2018	<i>From There to Here</i> , Vantaa Art Collection Exhibition, Gallery K, Vantaa
2016	Vyborg Artists' Association, Imatra Art Museum
2014–2015	<i>Vitas 85</i> , Jubilee Exhibition, Vyborg Artists' Association, Järvenpää Art Museum
2008	<i>New Art from Uusimaa</i> , Gallery Artborg, Sipoo
2008	<i>New Prints</i> , Gallery G, Helsinki
2006	<i>75 Printmakers – 75<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Exhibition, Association of Finnish Printmakers</i> , Gallery G, Helsinki
2005–2006	<i>The Small g – National Miniprints, Finnish Printmaking 110 Years</i> , Gallery Joella, Turku
2005	<i>The Flower of Death – Finnish Printmaking 110 Years</i> , Lahti Art Brewery
2004–2005	<i>6<sup>th</sup> Union of Finnish Art Associations Exhibition</i> , Rovaniemi Art Museum
2001	<i>Today's Future</i> , Vantaa Art Collection Exhibition, Vantaa Art Museum
1997–1998	<i>Helsinki Artists' Association 30 Years – Finnish Art</i> , Artists' House, Stockholm, Sweden
1997	<i>Henna and Pertti Niemistö Contemporary Art Collection Opening Exhibition</i> , Hämeenlinna Art Museum
1997	<i>59<sup>th</sup> Union of Finnish Art Associations Exhibition</i> , Hyvinkää Art Museum,
1995	<i>Regional Exhibition of the Metropolitan Area and the Uusimaa County</i> , Kerava Art Museum
1993	<i>98<sup>th</sup> Artists' Association of Finland Exh.</i> , Karkkila
1993	<i>New Art from Uusimaa</i> , Gallery Bremer, Karkkila
1989	<i>94<sup>th</sup> Artists' Assoc. of Finland Exhibition</i> , Kouvola Art Museum
1989	<i>Salon Maila Talvio</i> , Hartola
1988	<i>93<sup>rd</sup> Artists' Association of Finland Exhibition</i> , Helsinki Art Hall
1987	<i>40<sup>th</sup> Young Artists Exhibition</i> , Helsinki Art Hall
1987	<i>Turku Printmakers' Association</i> , Kunsthaut Grenchen, Switzerland
1985	<i>38<sup>th</sup> Young Artists Exhibition</i> , Helsinki Art Hall
1984	<i>State Exhibition</i> , South Carelia Art Museum, Lappeenranta
1983	<i>36<sup>th</sup> Young Artists Exhibition.</i> , Helsinki Art Hall
1983	<i>Turku and Pori County Exhibition</i> , Åland Art Museum, Mariehamn



## INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS (selection)

2019	<i>Postcard Perspectives</i> , Artspace at Untitled, Oklahoma City, United States
2018	4 <sup>th</sup> 'Enter into Art' <i>International Installations</i> , Cologne; Weißenthurm; Kobern-Gondorf, Germany
2009	<i>Transitions – Siirtymä – Förskjutningar - Átmenet</i> , Gallery Padlás, Balatonalmádi, Hungary
2001–2002	<i>Nordic Aquarell</i> , Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki; Mikkeli Art Museum; Ostrobothnian Museum, Vaasa, Finland
1997–1999	<i>International Print Triennial Cracow '97</i> ; Cracow Art Hall, Poland; Art Hall, Nuremberg, Germany; Museum of Modern Art, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
1995	<i>Biennial of Graphic Art</i> , Nykobing-Falster, Denmark
1994	<i>Qvinnlia Art</i> , Nordic Female Artists, Lycksele, Sweden
1990	<i>International Print Triennial</i> , Vaasa Art Hall, Finland
1987	<i>Salgótarján Intersymposium</i> , Nógrád Historical Museum, Salgótarján, Hungary
1984	<i>International Print Triennial</i> , Vaasa Art Hall, Finland
1984	<i>Exhibition of Prints and Photos, Finland-Scotland-Poland</i> , Aberdeen, Scotland
1983	5 <sup>th</sup> <i>Polish-Finnish Maritime Print Exhibition</i> , National Museum, Gdansk, Poland; Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku, Fin.

## COLLECTIONS

### Finland

Finnish State Art Deposit Collection  
Finnish Parliament Art Collection  
Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland Collection  
Hämeenlinna Art Museum  
Jyväskylä Art Museum, Finnish Printmakers Collection  
Keuruu Art Museum  
Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art, Vaasa  
Vantaa Art Museum Artsi

City of Salo Art Collection  
City of Turku Art Collection  
Finnish Cultural Foundation  
Henna and Pertti Niemistö Art Foundation  
Miina Sillanpää Foundation  
Fortum Ltd., Huhtamäki Ltd. Collections  
Kemira Ltd., Tapiola Ltd. Collections  
Sampo Group, Telia Company Collections

### Abroad

Central Slovak Gallery, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia  
Frans Masereel Center, Kasterlee, Belgium  
Lyan Fonden, Lycksele, Sweden  
National Art Museum, Cluj, Romania  
Sándor Nógrádi Museum, Salgótarján, Hungary

City Art Gallery, Łódź, Poland  
Luciano Benetton Coll. *Imago Mundi*, Italy  
Ministry of National Education, Poland  
National Museum, Gdansk, Poland

## GRANTS AND HONORABLE AWARDS

2018	4 <sup>th</sup> 'Enter into Art' <i>International Installations</i> , Germany, Honorary Award
2016	Arts Promotion Center Finland, Residency Grant
2015	Arts Promotion Center Finland, Project Grant
2015	Arts Council of Uusimaa, Project Grant
2014	Vyborg Artists' Association, Honorary Award
2011	Arts Council of Finland, Project Grant & Public Display Grant for Visual Artists



2002	Public Display Grant for Visual Artists
1997	Finnish Cultural Foundation
1995	Oskar Öflund Foundation
1995	Arts Council of Uusimaa
1995	Finnish Cultural Institute in New York
1994	Finnish Cultural Foundation
1994	Niilo Helander Foundation
1993	Finnish Academy of Arts
1991	Arts Council of Uusimaa
1990	Arts Council of Finland, Project Grant
1990	Finnish Cultural Foundation, Project Grant
1989	City of Vantaa 10 Years Jubilee Fund
1988	Uusimaa Cultural Foundation
1987	City of Vantaa 10 Years Jubilee Fund
1986	Leo and Regina Wainstein Foundation
1984–1986	Polish Ministry of Education, Scholarship for Postgraduate Studies

#### **ARTIST-IN-RESIDENCE**

2021	Upcoming: Tohmajärvi Artist-in-Residence, Finland
2019	Arenys de Mar, Artist-in-Residence, Spain
2016	Cité Internationale des Arts, Artist-in-Residence, Paris, France
2012	Åland Achipelago Artist-in-Residence, Kökar, Finland
2011	Casa de Artistas Finlandeses, Artist-in-Residence, Marbella, Spain
2009	10 <sup>th</sup> International Artists' Symposium, Felsőörs, Hungary
1999	Finnish Cultural Institute in Athens, Artist-in-Residence, Greece
1996	Frans Masereel Print Center, Artist-in-Residence, Kasterlee, Belgium
1995	Finnish Cultural Institute in New York, Artist-in-Residence, United States
1991	Onni Oja Artist's Home, Artist-in-Residence, Keuruu, Finland
1990	Cité Internationale des Arts, Artist-in-Residence, Paris, France
1987	Salgótarján Intersymposion, Mátra Almás, Hungary

#### **MEMBERSHIPS**

Finnish Painters' Union  
Helsinki Artists' Association  
Vyborg Artists' Society  
Kuvasto Copyright Society for Artists



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