

SANNA KANNISTO / CV

Born in Hämeenlinna, Finland in 1974. Lives and works in Helsinki.

Education

- 2002 MA, University of Art and Design Helsinki (now Aalto University - School of Arts, Design and Architecture), Unit of Photography.
1997 Turku school of Art and Communication, Dept. of Photography

Selected solo exhibitions

- 2020 Sense of Wonder, The Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, FI
2019 Observing Eye, Helsinki Contemporary, Helsinki, Finland
Finnish Aalto, Busan Museum of Art, South Korea
Fieldwork, Centro de la Imagen, Lima, Peru
2018 Wanderer, Observer and Conveyor, Gallery Taik Persons, Berlin, DE
A Song System, Metronom Gallery, Modena, IT
2017 White Space, Nonostante Marras, part of PhotoVogue Festival, Milan, IT
2015 Helsinki Contemporary, Helsinki, FI
Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR
2013 Far, Fabbrica Arte Rimini, Galleria d'arte moderna e contemporanea, Rimini, IT
2012 Fieldwork, Le Château d'Eau, Toulouse, FR
Close Observer, Metronom Gallery, Bologna, IT
Close Observer, Gallery Taik, Berlin, DE
2011 Fieldwork, Sørlandets Kunstmuseum, SKMU, Kristiansand, NOR
Fieldwork, Aperture Gallery, New York, USA
Kalhama & Piippo Contemporary, Helsinki, FI
2010 Close Observer, Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR
2008 Domaine de Kerquéhennec, Contemporary Art Centre, Bignan, FR
Le centre photographique d'Ile-de-France CPIF, together with Ilkka Halso, FR
Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR
Galerie Wilma Tolksdorf, Frankfurt am Main, DE
Korjaamo Culture Factory, Gallery 1 & 2, Helsinki, FI
2007 Galerie Georg Kargl, Vienna, Austria
2006 Jackson Fine Art, Atlanta, USA
Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, France
Yours Gallery, Warsaw, Poland
Galerie Wilma Tolksdorf, Berlin, Germany
2006 Gallery F-Station, Photomonth in Krakow, Poland (catalogue)

Selected group exhibitions

- 2020 Illusionary Observation, Museum of Photography Braunschweig, Braunschweig, DE
A Fresh Breeze from The North, Kunsthalle St. Annen, Lübeck, DE
2018 Considering Finland, Kunstverein Ludwigshafen and Port25 Raum für Gegenwart
skunst, Mannheim, DE
Endangered Species: Artists on the Frontline on Biodiversity, Whatcom Museum,
Bellingham, WA, USA
NATURE AS A PLAYGROUND, The Museum of Photography Seoul, South Korea
2017 The Von Wright Brothers, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland
Systema Naturae, Kunsthall Stavanger, Stavanger, Norway
Herbarium, Fotografiskcenter Copenhagen, Denmark
Kuusi, Lachenmann Art, Konstanz, Germany
Human/Nature, Northern Photographic Centre, Oulu, Finland
You want Truth or Beauty, Kunsthalle Nexus, Saalfelden, Germany
Le Jardin potager, Musée de l'image, Epinal, France
Antologia, Metronom gallery, Modena, Italy
Lehmä pitää viedä jälle, jotta se tanssii, Samuelis Baumgarte and the Ratskeller,
Bielefeld, DE
2016 Paradise Lost, Kunsthalle and Museum Villa Rot, Burgrieden-Rot, Germany

- Unseen Art Fair, Amsterdam, The Netherlands
 Photomed, Hôtel des Arts, Centre d'art contemporain, Toulon, France
 Kolga Tbilisi Photo 2016, Museum Of Modern Art Tbilisi/ MOMATbilisi, Georgia
 Paradise Lost, Kunsthalle and Museum Villa Rot, Burgrieden-Rot, Germany
 Les Explorateurs, Parc de Clères, Clères, France
- 2015 Fotografia Contemporanea dall'Europa nord-occidentale, Fondazione Fotografia
 Modena, Italy (catalogue)
- 2014 Collective Collection, volet 2, BBB centre d'art, Toulouse
 Summer Selections - De Buck Gallery, New York City, New York
 What 's Life Anyway?, Tromso Kunstforening, Tromsø, Norway
 Asombrosas afinidades, PHE2014, Fundación Antonio Saura. Casa Zavala,
 Cuenza, Spain
 Nordic Light International Festival of Photography, Kristiansund, Norway
 Photography into Art. The Hannula & Hinkka Collection, Aboa Vetus & Ars Nova,
 Turku, Finland
- 2013 Le bestiaire des photographes, Centre culturel Henri-Desbals, Toulouse, France
 ARTE Vidéo Night 5/ screening, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France
 Drôles d'oiseaux, Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, France
 Vermessene Dinge/ Measured things, Eres Stiftung, Munich, Germany
 Reality Bites,(2 Nov. 2012 – 14 April 2013) Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art,
 Helsinki
 Spécimens, Domaine de Chamarande, Chamarande, France
 The Near and the Distant - Photography and Space, Künstlerhaus Dortmund,
 Germany
- 2012 State of the Art - New Contemporary Photography, NRW-Forum, Düsseldorf,
 Germany (catalogue)
 Festival of Photography, Knokke-Heist, Belgium
 Hunters and Hunted, Insects in contemporary art, Museum Villa Rot,
 Burgrieden - Rot, Germany (catalogue)
 Sammen/Together, Trondheim Kunstmuseum, Norway
 Äärimmäisyyksien yhteinen tekijä, WAM, Turku, Finland (catalogue)
 Finders Keepers, Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä, Finland (catalogue)
- 2011 A Female View. Part 2-aus der Helsinki School, Foto Raum, Wien, Austria
 Für Hund und Katz ist auch noch Platz, Art Foyer DZ Bank, Frankfurt am Main,
 Germany
 Beautiful Vagabonds, Yancey Richardson Gallery, USA
- 2010 Strange Travelers, Tanya Bonakdar gallery, curated by Mark Dion, New York, USA
 elles@centrepompidou, women artists in the collections of the Centre Pompidou,
 Paris, France (catalogue)
 Wald, Städtische Galerie Waldkraiburg, Waldkraiburg, Germany (catalogue)
 Repeat All, Centro Cultural Chacao, Caracas, Venezuela
 Speed, Ulrich Museum of Art, Kansas, USA
- 2009 The Tree, Fuglsang Art Museum, Island of Lolland, Denmark
 Variations on Transcending the Finiteness of Human Vision, Riga Art Space,
 Latvia
 FotoRio –Short List/The Dream Machine, Niterói Museum of contemporary art,
 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2009 Repeat All, MIS - Museu da Imagem e do Som,
 São Paulo, Brazil (catalogue)
 Arctic hysteria Onscreen, Ludwig Museum of Contemporary Art, Budapest,
 Hungary
 PhotoEspana, Descubrimientos PHE Madrid, Spain
 Får ej övertäckas, Eskilstuna Art Museum, Sweden (catalogue)
 Nature en Kit, MUDAC Musée de design et d'arts appliqués contemporains
 Lausanne, Switzerland

- 2008 Other florae, Galeria Nara Roesler, São Paulo, Brazil
Video short list : Machines à rêver/ Dream machine, Passage de Retz, Paris, France (catalogue)
REAL, Städel Museum, Frankfurt am Main, Germany (catalogue)
Observing beast, time, evolution, Kunstverein Hildesheim, Germany (catalogue)
Arctic hysteria Onscreen, Museum of Modern Art Moma, New York, USA
Cinéma et videos d'artistes, Maison Européenne de la Photographie, Paris, France
Five variations on the finiteness of human vision, Artget Gallery, Cultural Centre of Belgrade, Serbia
Tapis, coussins et videos, 36th La Rochelle International Film Festival, La Rochelle, France
- 2007 Research and Invention, Fotomuseum Winterthur, Switzerland (catalogue)
Bird Watching in Harlem, De Vishal exposition space, Haarlem, Netherlands
Garden Eden -The Garden in Art since 1900, Kunsthalle Emden, Germany (catalogue)
Self-timer, National Museum of Contemporary Art (MNAC), Bucharest, Romania
Age of the Animal, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland (catalogue)
Grey matters - photography is thinking, Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki (catalogue)
Repeat All, Centro Cultural Matucana 100, Santiago de Chile, Chile
Photo Finnish - The Helsinki School, Stenersen Art Museum, Norway
Repeat All, La Casa de la Cultura, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 2006 Self-timer, Nikolaj Contemporary, Copenhagen, Denmark
Art, Life & Confusion, the Belgrade Biennial, Serbia (catalogue)
Streams of Story, Glasgow Festival of Contemporary Visual Art, Tramway Gallery, Great Britain
The Faraway Nearby, White Box, New York, USA
Focus Finland, KBB Barcelona, Spain
Self-timer/ Selbstausröser, Kunsthalle Fridericianum, Kassel, Germany (catalogue)
Presence, Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland
Vad är fotografi? The Helsinki School, Borås Art Museum, Sweden

Selected publications

- 2014 22 Ways, On Artistic Thinking in Finnish Contemporary Art, Parvs, Helsinki
The Helsinki School, From the Past to the Future, Vol 5, Hatje Cantz
- 2012 State of The Art Photography, Feymedia and NRW-Forum Duesseldorf, Germany
- 2011 Fieldwork, monograph, Aperture Foundation, New York
The Helsinki School, Vol. 4, A Female View, Hatje Cantz, Germany
- 2009 Foam Magazine #19, 2009, Foam Fotografiemuseum Amsterdam, Netherlands
Northwawe, Overview of video art in the Nordic Countries, Guerini, Milan
- 2008 Photo Art: The New World of Photography, Thames and Hudson
Photo Art: Photography in the 21st Century, Aperture
REAL, From the collecton of DZ-BanK, Städel Museum and Hatje Cantz
Frankfurt am Main, Germany
- 2007 Research and Invention, catalogue, Fotomuseum Winterthur, Switzerland 2007
Photo Art: Fotografie im 21. Jahrhundert, DuMont Literatur und Kunst Verlag, Germany
Garden Eden, DuMont Literatur und Kunst Verlag, Germany
The Helsinki School, Hatje Cantz, Germany
- 2005 Selbstausröser -catalogue, Kunsthalle Fridericianum
Framework, The finnish art review, issue 4/ Dec.2005
Helsinki Photography Festival 2005, catalogue, Gallery Hippolyte, 2005
The Helsinki School, Hatje Cantz, Germany
- 2004 Private Collection, catalogue, Sanna Kannisto and Galerie La Ferronnerie, Helsinki

Selected grants and awards

- 2017 Finnish Art Society, William Thuring Prize
2016 Arts Council of Finland, 5-year working grant
2015 State Prize for Photographic Art
Nomination for the Finnish Fine Arts' Academy Prize
Arts Council of Finland, Finnish Cultural Foundation
2012 Finnish Cultural Foundation Prize
2010 Arts Council of Finland, Frame
2009 Arts Council of Finland
2007 Arts Council of Finland, Ministry of Education, Oskar Öflund Foundation, FRAME,
Greta and William Lehtinen Foundation
2006 Fine Arts Society of Finland, FRAME
2005 Alfred Kordelin Foundation, Arts Council of Finland, Finnish Cultural Foundation
2004 City of Paris, FRAME
2003 Hasselblad Foundation, Ministry of Education, Finnish Cultural Foundation

Works in collections

Centre Pompidou - Musée National d'Art Moderne, Paris, France
Fotomuseum Winterthur, Switzerland
MEP, Maison européenne de la photographie, France
Le Fonds national d'art contemporain (FNAC), The State Art Collection, France
Fonds Régional d'Art Contemporain, FRAC Haute-Normandie, France
Fonds Régional d'Art Contemporain, FRAC Bretagne, France
DZ-Bank Art Collection, Germany
Kiasma - Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, Finland
Finnish Museum of Photography, Finland
Helsinki City Art Museum, Finland
State Art Collection, Finland
Vihuri Foundation, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland
Salo Art Museum, Finland
SKMU Sørlandets Kunstmuseum, Norway
Le Château d'Eau, Toulouse, France
Domaine Départemental de Chamarande, Chamarande, France, France
Artothèque, Bibliothèque d'Auxerre, France
Société Yves Rocher, France
Private collections Finland, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Norway, USA,
Austria and Switzerland