

# ARTISTS

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Winter Swimming (ispoisten uimaranta), 2022



Stop Motion II (Aura-River), 2018

## Erika Adamsson

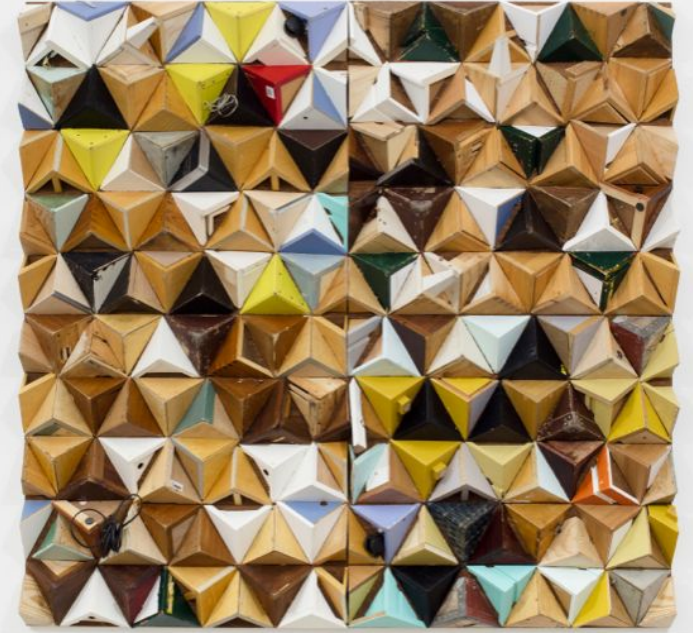
Erika Adamsson (b. 1973) is Turku based painter. She graduated from Turku Art School. She is portraying realistic people in sketchy, almost abstract settings, making use of bold and expressive brushwork. She wants to utilize the phenomenon of chance. Her works can be found e.g. in the Finnish national art collection. Technique of her paintings is oil on aluminum.

[erika-adamsson.com](http://erika-adamsson.com)





Surreal Salad, 2022



Corner Is A Place Where Two Sides Meet,  
2020

## Heini Aho

Turku based artist Heini Aho's (b.1979) artworks show us how the whirlwind of everyday life can be seen and heard differently, with a new tempo and vibrating melody. The works are like the creative result of problem solving.

[heiniaho.com](http://heiniaho.com)



TUTKIMUSMATKOJA (PAIKKOIHIN JOITA EI OLE). RESEARCH TRIPS (TO PLACES THAT DO NOT EXIST). Videoinstallation, 2020.

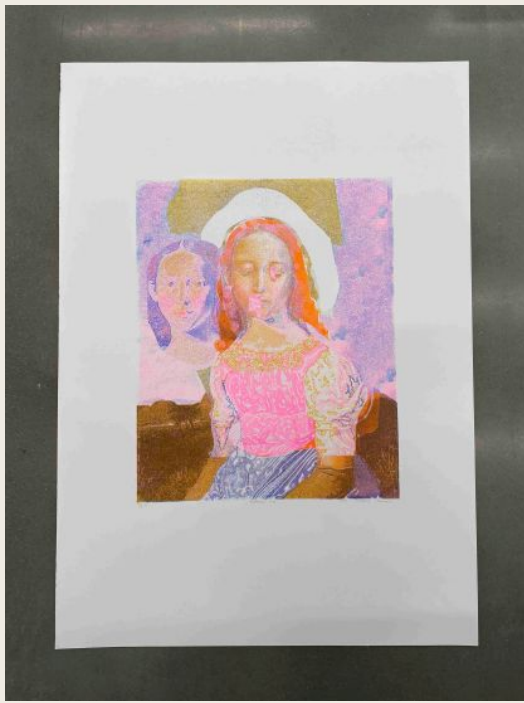


VUOTAVA MERI (LEAKY SEA). Videoinstallation, 2020.

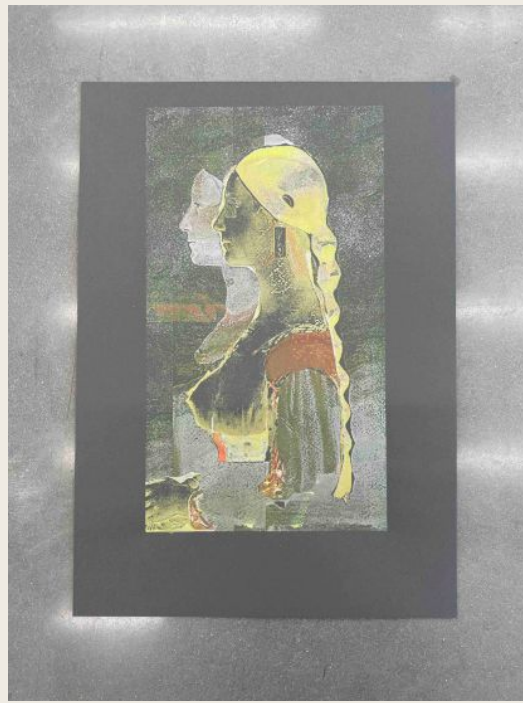
## Lilli Haapala

Lilli Haapala (b.1984) is Turku based visual who works with moving image, sculpture and installation. She is interested in the human ability to imagine alternative worlds and utopias. She is especially drawn to plants and algae that grow in water. She has graduated from Helsinki The academy of fine arts for a Master of fine arts and Turku Arts Academy.

[lillihaapala.com](http://lillihaapala.com)



Birthday's Eve 1, 2021



Isolated, 2021



Foreignness 2, 2021

## Natalie Hamada

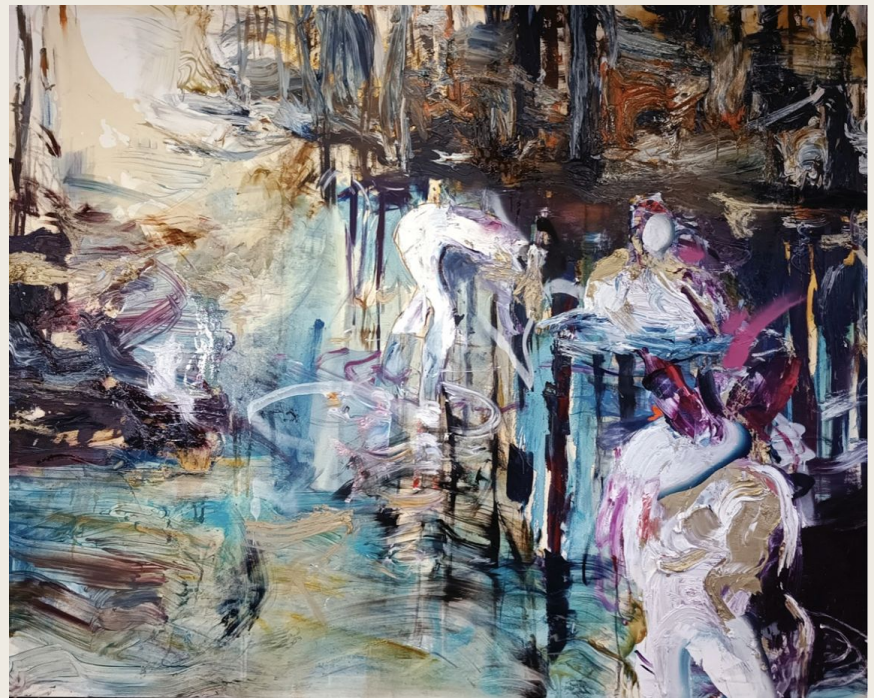
Helsinki based Syrian artist Natalie Hamada's (b.1994) artworks include glimpses of the Middle Eastern sun, memories and thoughts about the loved ones. Natalie Hamada's artworks contain fragments of photographs, that she portrays in new ways as multi-layered stories.

Instagram: [@nataliehamada.printmaker](https://www.instagram.com/nataliehamada.printmaker)





Light calls my name, 2022



Shallow, 2022

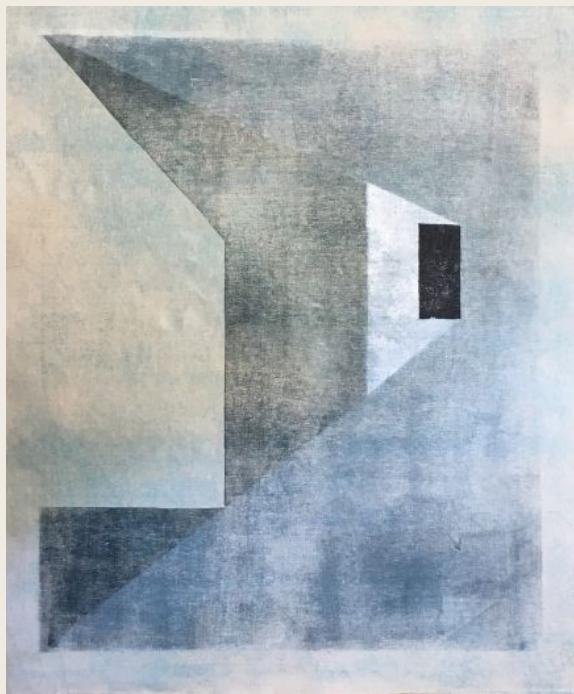
## Viljami Heinonen

Viljami Heinonen (b. 1986) lives and works in Vesilahti, Finland. His painterly and expressive works are waging between abstract and figurative. Heinonen is represented by Makasiini Contemporary and Gallerie Forsblom.

[viljamiheinonen.com](http://viljamiheinonen.com)



Memento II, 2022



Song Book, 2019



Organizing I

## Iina Heiskanen

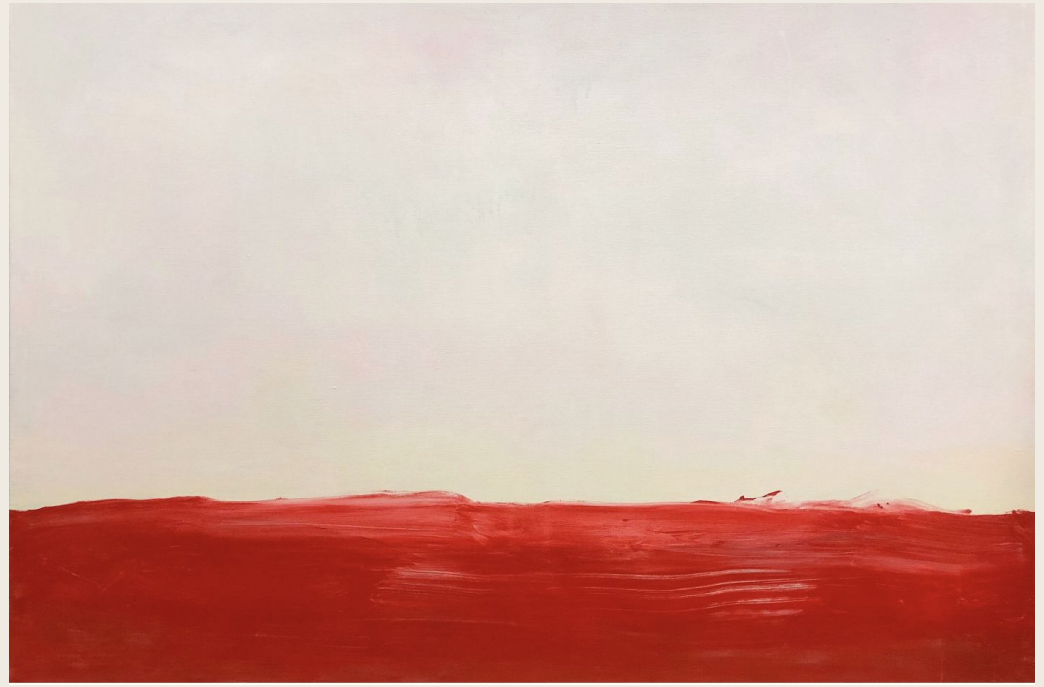
In the graphics of Helsinki based artist Iina Heiskanen (b.1971) , the shadows of nature and buildings have created works whose shapes take you to a quiet and deepened space. Sometimes you can imagine hearing voices there. For the artist, the sounds were also real, some of the shapes of the works are traces of musical instruments.

[iinaheiskanen.com](http://iinaheiskanen.com)





Movements V, 2019



The Waste Land, 2021

## Sini-Meri Hedberg

Sini-Meri Hedberg's (b.1972) painting is inspired by the northern sky, abstract Expressionism and German romantic landscape painting of the 19th century. Being, death and the artist's positioning in them. He asks, how do I define a person's time, what I come and where I go? She has studied in Lapland and Kemi Art Schools and Turku Art Academy and philosophy in Turku University.

[sinimerihedberg.com](http://sinimerihedberg.com)



Wind Nest (Shelter for the Unsheltered), pigment print, 2016



Sunken Forest, 2018

## Heli Hiltunen

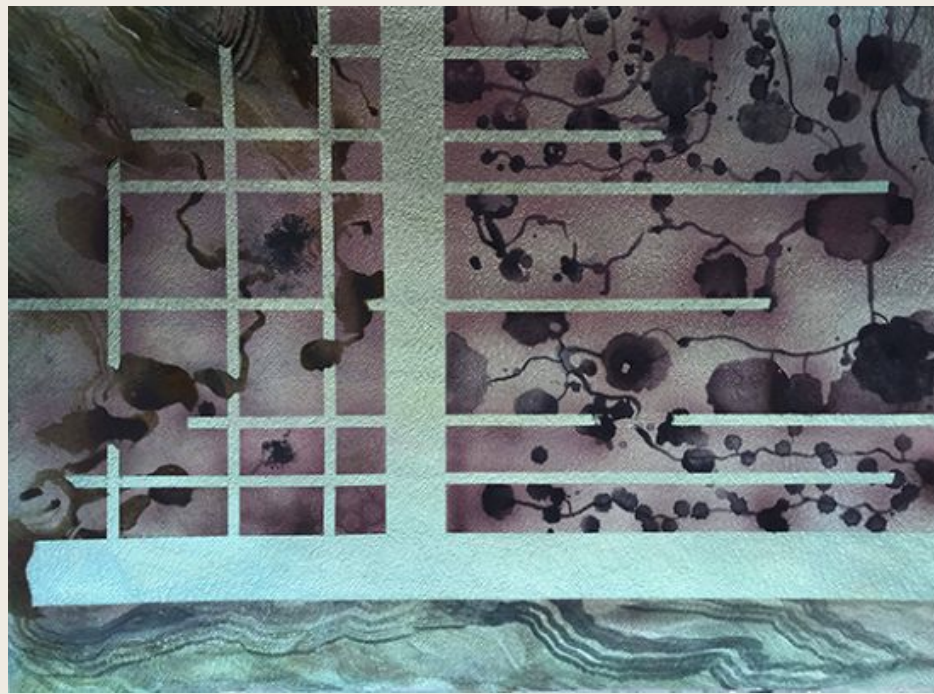
Heli Hiltunen (b.1960) is Helsinki based artist. Her paintings, collages and photographs are entities of sensory perception and the memory, understanding and replication of seeing. Sometimes, she makes collages overlaying existing photographs or prints, or prints serigraphic designs on paintings. She is represented by Anhava Gallerie.

[anhava.com/artists/heli-hiltunen](http://anhava.com/artists/heli-hiltunen)





Overgrown: Skylight window, 2021



Overgrown: Fence, 2021

## Kati Immonen

Turku based artist Kati Immonen (b.1971) synchronizes the elements of history, built environment and nature. Her works make us laugh with her transitions, while ecological thinking together with the joy create new responsible routes to a more sustainable life.

[katiimmonen.com](http://katiimmonen.com)



Uni / The Dream



Olipa kerran / Once upon a time

## Janelin Kinnunen

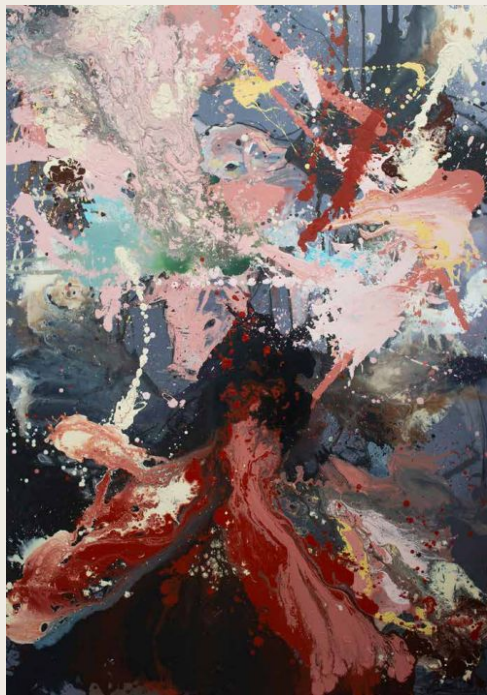
Janelin Kinnunen (b. 1984 Estonia) lives and works in Turku. She uses many different medias in her works; painting, sculpture, installation, video, performance and photography, sometimes combining them together. She has studied fine arts in Satakunta University of applied Sciences, Kankaanpää, Finland. Her works have been presented in Finland and abroad.

[janelinkinnunenart.com](http://janelinkinnunenart.com)





Samoilin synkkää metsää, 2021



All Pigs must die, 2020

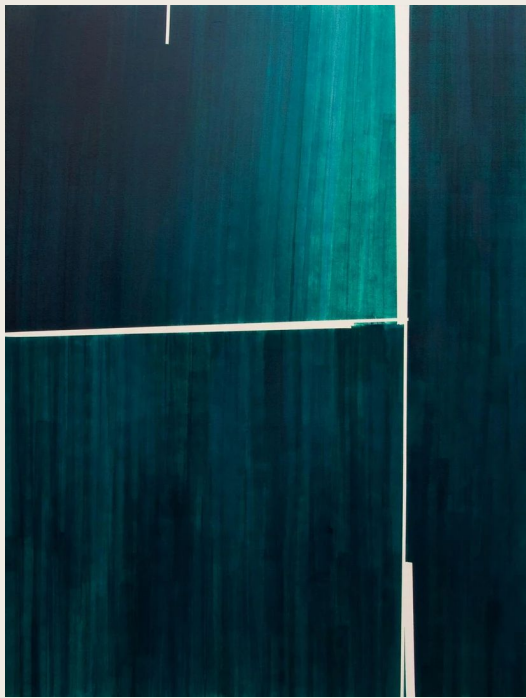


Life, 2020

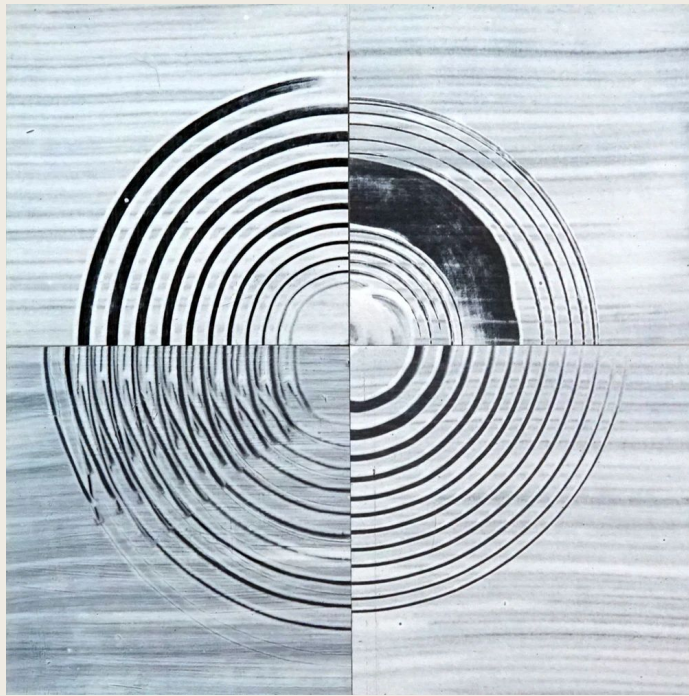
## Lotta-Lucia Laine

Turku based artist Lotta-Lucia Laine (b.1988) paints the sounds of animals, their current state, needs and feelings. In the artist's works, love for animals and a reminder of the importance of their conditions and protection are combined into a dialogue between a calm and explosive space.

[lottalucialaine.wordpress.com](https://lottalucialaine.wordpress.com)



Wave I, 2014



ANOMALY#52, 2022



ANOMALY#26, 2022

## Mika Natri

Mika Natri (b. 1969) is Turku based artist who works with sculpture, painting, installation and public commissions. Natri graduated in 2003 from Visual Arts Department in Turku University of Applied Sciences. He has held exhibitions in Finland and abroad. His works are inter alia in collections of Finnish National Gallery and Helsinki Art Museum.

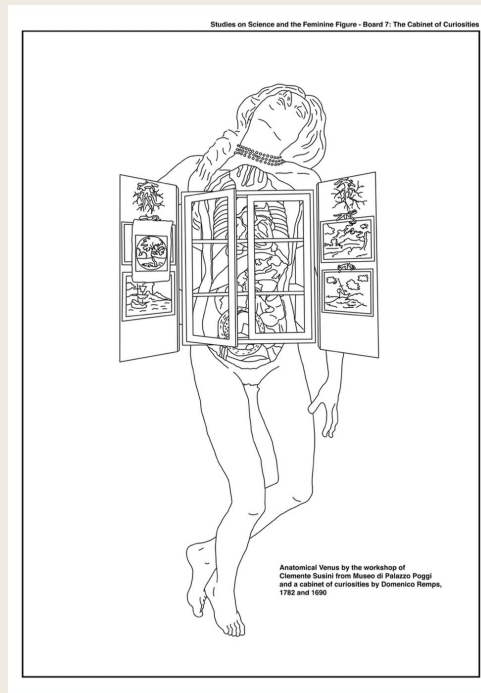
[mikanatri.com](http://mikanatri.com)





**Memento Vivere, 2022**

Johanna Naukkarinen



**Studies on Science and the Feminine Figure, 2015 - 2021**

Johanna Naukkarinen (b. 1988) works with the themes that intersect with the history of medicine and the history of art. She works with photography and digital drawing, sometimes also with mixed media practices. She graduated from Turku Art Academy and has also studied at National College of Art and Design in Dublin.

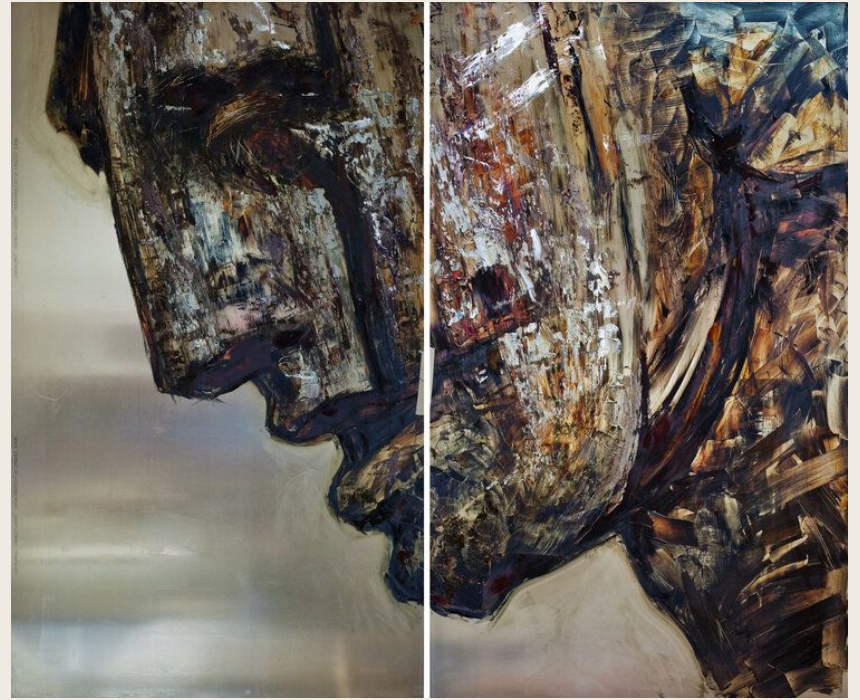
[cargocollective.com/johannanaukkarinen](https://cargocollective.com/johannanaukkarinen)



**Memento Vivere, 2022**



Starting Force, 2022



Angel, 2012

## Jan Neva

Helsinki and St.Petersburg based artist Jan Neva (b.1974) has graduated from St.Petersburg Art Academy, Monumental painting department. His paintings combine memories and dark colors transferring one to the past, perhaps to the isolated space of our time, to loss but at the same time to deep peace.

[janneva.com](http://janneva.com)



Lady Frost, 2021



Mr Big, the Executioner of Love, 2020-2022



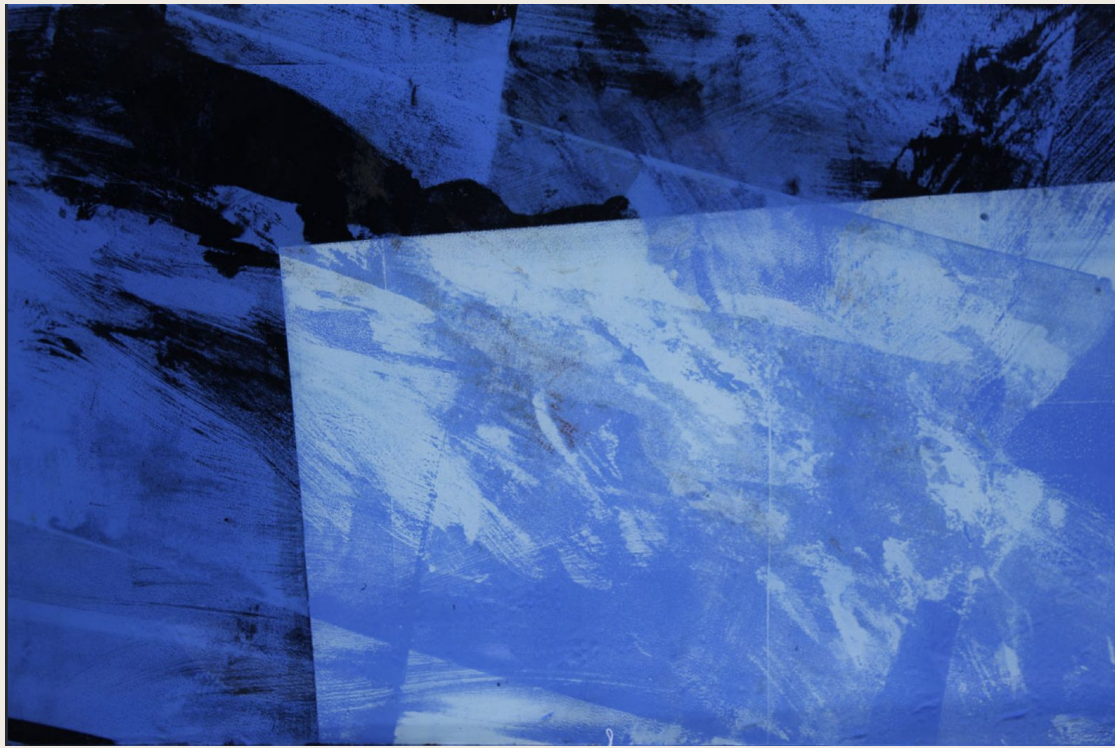
Just Fabulous, Darling!, 2022

## Ilona Niemi

Ilona Niemi (b. 1975) is a visual artist based in Finland. She is interested in the construction of identity and the human-animal relationship. She graduated from Gray's School of Art, Aberdeen and MFA from SIUC, IL, USA. Her artwork has been exhibited internationally, including the *BP Portrait Award Exhibition*, National Portrait Gallery, London.

[ilonaniemi.com](http://ilonaniemi.com)





Untitled glasswork



Untitled monotype

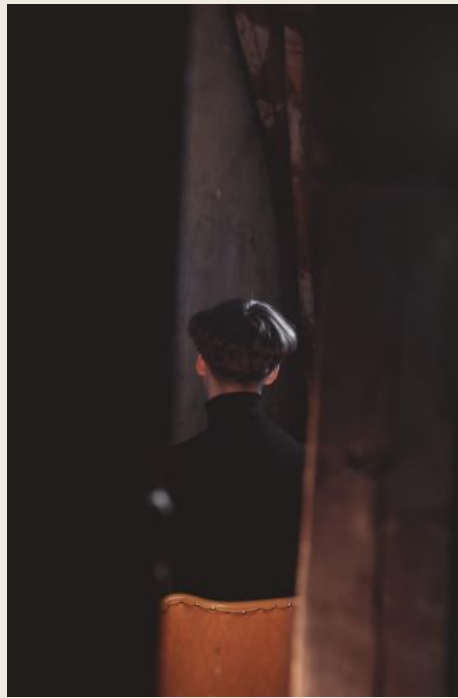
## Visa Norros

Visa Norros (b.1960) is Helsinki based artist working with printmaking. In 80's he has studied in Paris and Aukusti Tuhka's school of printmaking. He has artworks e.g. in Bibliothèque National de France, State of Finland and Museo Internacional de Electrografia, Cuenca, Spain.

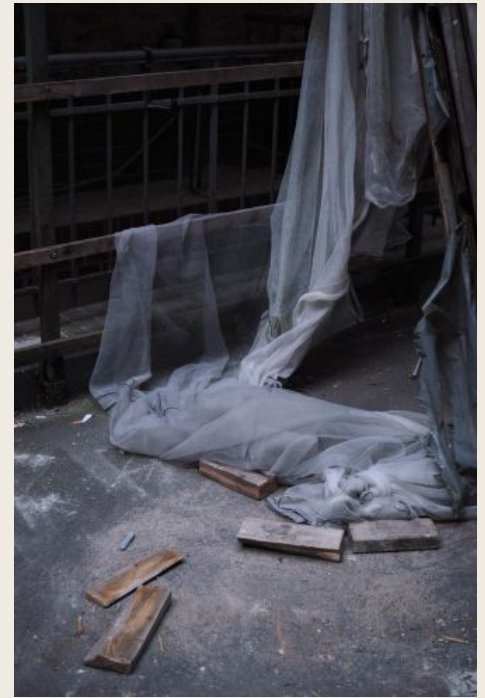
[visanorros.com](http://visanorros.com)



379 days alive



Day 501



places I will never go back to, 2019

## Anni Porrasmäki

Berlin based artist Anni Porrasmäki's (b.1992) classic photographs are accompanied by a mind-blowing autofictional narrative about a young woman's life, serious illness, love, happiness, fear and new mornings.

[anniporrasmaki.com](http://anniporrasmaki.com)





'Erakko' (Hermit), 2021



Untitled (Samsara), 2021

## Raisa Raekallio & Misha del Val

Raisa Raekallio (b. 1978) and Misha del Val (b.1979) are a Lapland-based artist couple working in collaboration in painting, drawing, printmaking and performance art. Raekallio and del Val make paintings together following similar principles of those of musicians during a jam session. Their painting collaboration is an open-ended process of listening - to each other and to the will of the paintings - and responding intuitively and empathetically.

[raekalliodelval.com](http://raekalliodelval.com)



Global Race II, 2019



Kokonaisresilienssi, 2022

## Elina Ruohonen

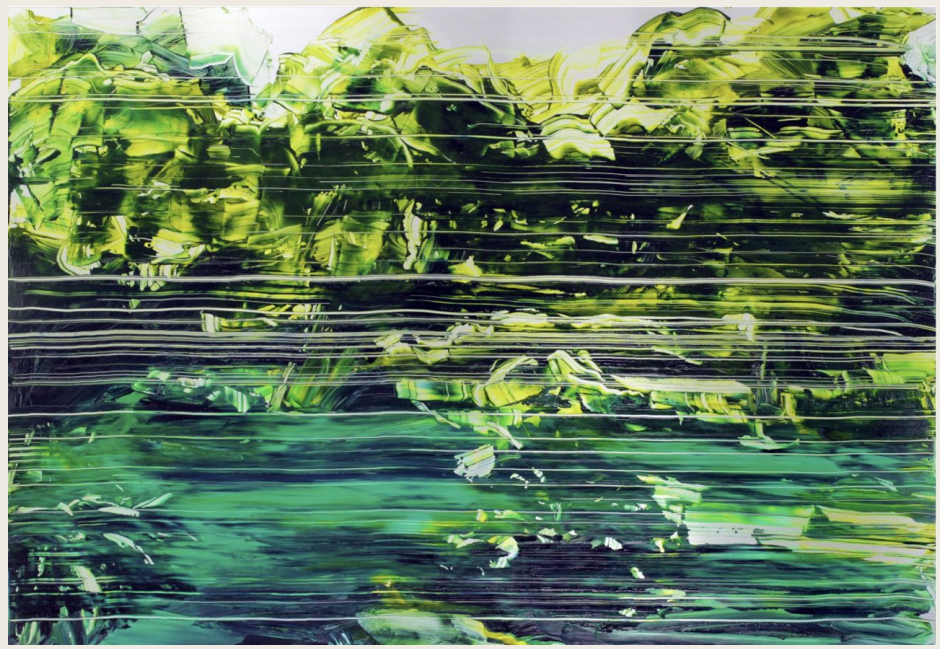
Elina Ruohonen (b. 1970) is a visual, spatial and conceptional artist, mainly focusing on oil paintings on plexiglass. She has worked in ecological art for several years. She has studied at the Kankaanpää Art School and the Krasnoyarsk Art Institute in Siberia. She has a bachelor's degree in visual arts and specialization studies in art at TAMK.

[elinaruohonen.net](http://elinaruohonen.net)





Puutarha 7, 2020



Puutarha 2, 2020

## Jarkko Rantanen

Jarkko Rantanen (b. 1980) is Turku based artist. He paints landscapes, portraits and still lifes. He paints primarily with oils on different surfaces. He uses canvas as well as aluminium and composite panels. He has studied at Turku Art Academy and Orivesi College of Arts.

[jarkkorantanen.net](http://jarkkorantanen.net)



Details from installation 'Cruising', 2021

## Oskari Ruuska

Helsinki and Berlin based artist Oskari Ruuska (b. 1994) graduated from Helsinki Art Academy. He has also studied fine arts in Gerrit Rietveld Academie in Amsterdam and choreography in Theater Academy of Uniarts Helsinki. He works with several art forms, e.g. video and installation.

[oskariruuska.com](https://oskariruuska.com)





Untitled, 2022



Untitled, 2020

## Kaisa Salmi

Kaisa Salmi (born 1968) is Helsinki based community, environmental and spatial artist who is completing her doctoral thesis in contemporary art at Aalto University. She is known for e.g. large-scale environmental art works. Many of her projects are participatory. More than 11 000 people took part to Fellman's Field (2013), which included an enormous performance as well as a documentary film.

[kaisasalmi.com](http://kaisasalmi.com)





Transcription 89 (Coming Home), 2022



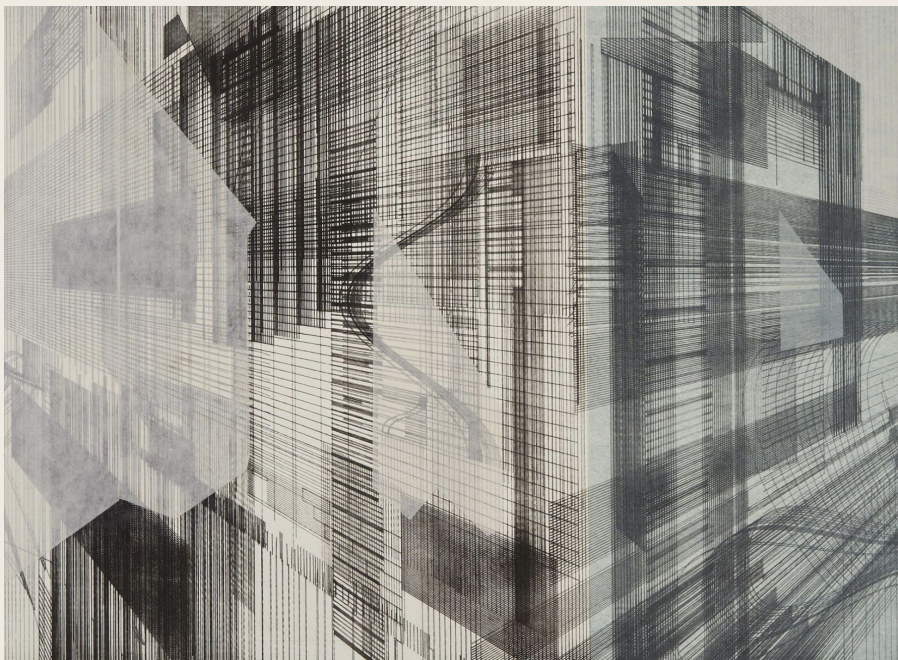
Transcription 48 (Endeavor), 2018

## Sirpa Särkijärvi

Sirpa Särkijärvi's (b. 1974 in Muonio) is Turku based artist. Her paintings are reflections of time. They contemplate human existence and examine relationships of power, gender, behaviour, norms, marginalisation and exclusion. Särkijärvi creates her paintings in several long and methodical painting sessions. She is regularly presenting her works abroad and in Finland.

[sirpasarkijarvi.com](http://sirpasarkijarvi.com)





Carceri Contemporanei (Säynätsalo Town Hall V),  
2016



Untitled I, from the series "With Strange Eyes", 2011

## Tatu Tuominen

(b. 1975, Helsinki) is a Finnish visual artist. Tuominen's work deals with the relationship between printed image and memory. Tuominen received his master's degree in fine arts from The Academy of Fine Arts Helsinki. He has been featured in solo and group exhibitions including MoCA Shanghai; Kiasma Contemporary Art Museum, Helsinki and Helsinki Art Museum.

[tatutuominen.com](http://tatutuominen.com)



Onnen idylli, 2022



Näin sinut nupussa , 2020

## Tiina Vainio

Tiina Vainio (b. 1960) is a Turku based artist. In her art, she focuses on nature and human living environments, often incorporating issues of continuous changes in landscapes and nature's ability to adapt to the changes. She has studied in Turku Art Academy and Aalto University, School of Arts, Design and Architecture, Helsinki. Her work has featured in several galleries and exhibition across the country, and internationally. She creates decors, installations and public artwork.

[tiinavainio.com](http://tiinavainio.com)





SYKLI (Cycle), details of an installation, 2023

## Fanny Varjo

Fanny Varjo (b.1995) is a Helsinki based artist. She works with installation and sculpture with a post humanistic idea of collaboration of humans and nonhumans. She has presented her work in London and Paris, and studied in Turku Art Academy and Musik og Teaterhøjskole, contemporary circus in Denmark.

[fannyvarjo.com](http://fannyvarjo.com)



Aivan tavallinen aamu I, 2011



Neiti Matisse, 2012



Dreaming Design, 2006

## Elsa Ytti

Helsinki based artist Elsa Ytti (b.1944) combines the abstract, memories, fairy tale creatures and dream images into a colorful story, where we have room for imagination and plenty of references to cultural history and the artist's world travel.

[elsaytti.net](http://elsaytti.net)

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