



# EUROPEAN OUTSIDER ART CONFERENCE

2022

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9 - 12 JUNE 2022  
FINLAND



# WELCOME TO EOA 2022

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Welcome to the European Outsider Art Conference EOA 2022! In these challenging times the importance of collaboration and interaction between cultures have grown. It's most important that we have the possibility to meet face to face.

EOA2022 gathers a significant group of international top experts of outsider art to Finland. This four-day experience offers a wide platform to discuss, connect and engage with each other. The days include visits to exhibitions, meetings with artists, open art studios, possibility to make art, guided tours to ITE-art environments and a full-day seminar focusing on Lifestories with top speakers.

**9 June** in Helsinki Open Studios and exhibitions

**10 June** in Hämeenlinna Lifestories conference, exhibition, art workshop, evening party

**11 June** Bus Tour

**12 June** Annual General Assembly



# THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2022

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## Outsider art tour in Helsinki!

### EXHIBITIONS

**Gallery IPIOMA in CornerCafe IPI | Timppa Lintunen**

Porthaninkatu 13, Helsinki | Open 8 am - 4 pm

**Art Kaarisilta | Comics from Spectrum**

Sanomatalo 1st floor | Open 11 am - 6 pm

**Muji Galleria | Studio Aula's Exhibition Opening**

Kamppi 4th floor | Opening 4pm to 6 pm

**Pertin Valinta | Outsider Art Factory**

Hakaniemenkuja 2 Helsinki | Open 2pm - 6pm



### OPEN STUDIOS

**Vallila Art Studio**

Kumpulantie 1 | Open 1 pm - 3 pm

**Studio Aula**

Sörnäisten rantatie 31 | Open 1 pm to 3 pm



You can visit art-studios on your own schedule freely. Timetable for bus tour is on the next page. Mandatory registration needed for the bus tour.



# THURSDAY 9 JUNE



## **The schedule and route of Häme-bus tour in Helsinki**

**Departure from Hämeenlinna, Saaristenkatu 5 (Bus park) at 10am**

at 11:30am Helsinki-Vantaa Airport

at 12:00-12.45pm IPI Kulmakuppila

at 01:00-01:45pm Vallila Art Studio

at 02:00-02:45pm Studio Aula

at 03:00-03:45pm Pertin Valinta

at 04:00pm Postitalo/Kiasma charter transport park

### **Art Kaarisilta | Comics on the Spectrum -exhibition**

Sanomatalo 1st floor | Open until 06:00pm

### **Muji Gallery | The opening of Studio Aula's exhibition**

Kamppi 4th floor | The opening at 04:00-06:00pm

**Departure from Postitalo/Kiasma charter transport park at 06:00pm.**

**Arrival to Saaristenkatu 5,  
Hämeenlinna at 07:30pm**



# FRIDAY 10 JUNE

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**9AM-4:30PM**

**Lifestories conference at BioRex Prime Studio,  
Verkatehdas Event Centre  
Paasikiventie 2, 13100 Hämeenlinna**



**9:00-9:15**

## **Welcome**

Susanna Hintsala, President of Kettuki

Raija Kallioinen, coordinator for cultural affairs, Association for Rural Culture and Education

Opening Sirpa Pietikäinen, board member of Kettuki, Finnish member of the European Parliament

## **CONTROVERSIAL CONTEXTS**

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**9:15-9:40**

### **His-story: The Lure of the biographical**

Artistic Director Bart Marius and curator Yoon Hee Lamot |  
Museum Dr. Guislan, Ghent, Belgium

**9:40-10:05**

### **Elfriede Lohse-Wächtler (1890-1940) The conflict between artists biography, artists pathography and victim biography**

Director Thomas Roeske | Prinzhorn Collection Museum,  
Heidelberg, Germany

**10:05-10:35**

### **How to present the works of the margin of the margins?**

**- case study of Sami artist Ellen Susanna Valkeapää**

**Short introduction to Ukrainian strairwell artist Vladimir Chaika**

Curator Elina Vuorimies, Finland

**10:35-11:00**

**Cooperation in the supported studio network**

Equality in Art -publication and discussion

Authors Minna Haveri and Päivi Lilja, commentators Hugo Karlsson and Marianne Schmidt

**11:00-12:00 Lunch at Verkatehdas Restaurant**

**ARTIST STORIES**

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**12:00-12:20**

**Opening of 'A symbol of Peace and Hope' the EOA virtual exhibition of members responses to the art of Maria Prymachenko in support of the Ukrainian people and their culture.**

Marc Steene, Outside in, UK

**12:20-12:40**

**Artists stories: Linnea Mettälä and Maria Tani**

Maria Tani performance, artists' stories Satu Tani and Petteri Vehmanen, mentors at Studio Aula, Finland

**12:40-13:00**

**Remembering Dean Warburton**

Shan Edwards, former Director, Celf o Gwmpas, Wales

**13:00-13:20**

**Chasing the ghost of Angus McPhee**

Artist Mike Inglis, Scotland





**13:20-13.40**

**Two artists with very different temperament: Julia Göransson and Mattias Johansson**

Julia Göransson and Mattias Johansson with Eva Olofsson |  
mentor at Inuti Studio Lilla Essingen, Sweden

**13:40-14:00**

**The Great World of Gregory Blackstock**

guardian and cousin Dorothy Frisch and  
animator Drew Christie, USA



**14:00-14:30 coffee/tea break at Verkatehdas restaurant**

## **PROJECTS AND PRACTICES**

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**14:30-14:55**

**New narratives: responding to collections of patient created artwork**

Kate Davey, Training Programme Manager | Outside In, UK

**14:55-15:20**

**Looking at these pictures - PhotoBrut**

Peter Bjørn Franceschi, Visual artist, curator and cofounder | Projekt  
Råkunst, Psychiatric Hospital Amager, Copenhagen, Denmark

**15:20-15:35**

**Art Brut creators in the social context of Contemporary Cuba**

Director Samuel Riera Mendez and Co-director Derbis Campos  
Hernández | Art Brut Project Cuba, Riera Studio, Cuba

**15:35-16:00**

**Emancipatory outsider art projects from the perspective of a pacifist, gender, decolonization and eco-anarcho-feminist**

President Małgorzata Szaefer | Lue Lu Foundation, Poland

**16:00-16:30**

**Lifestories - summing up**

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**16:30**

**Moving to the Glass Yard**

**17:00**

**Greetings from City of Hämeenlinna**

Next to the collaborative art work at the Glass yard







## FRIDAY, 10 JUNE

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10AM-5PM

**Glass Yard, Verkatehdas, Hämeenlinna**  
**Paint collaborative artwork in Open Art Workshop, watch Lifestories -videos and check out comic art and give it a try**

**Watch Lifestories -videos from**

Armin Pangerl, Germany

Artists from Sweden: Emma Asplund, Frida

Stålkranz Lindholm, Pascal Fogelberg,

Malin Karlsson, Teresa Koziarz, Sara

Saremi, Sam Ahlstrand, Carl Bernalt



### **Open Art Workshop**

What matters in our everyday life? In open art workshop you have an opportunity to make a statement of things that matter to you. Just add water!

### **Comic art and Lifestories**

Comic artist Miissa Rantanen and KUTIKUTI presents the possibilities of contemporary comic.



## FRIDAY, 10 JUNE

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12 AM-7 PM

### **Gallery Arx Verkatehdas, Hämeenlinna: Exhibition My Everyday**

#### **Gallery ARX, Verkatehdas**

Kettuki's Artist of the Year Aleksi Pietikäinen and Nordic Outsider Art network's collaborative artwork My Everyday. Installation consists 207 artworks created to ordinary tea towels. Curators Minna Haveri FIN and Lotte Nilsson Välimaa SWE.

#### **Suisto-club**

Social evening at Verkatehdas area with dj at Suisto-club and Nepali street food. Hosted by Kettuki and the network.



# SATURDAY, 11 JUNE



## 9AM-7PM

### **Guided ITE Art tour in Päijät-Häme**

#### **Departure from Saaristenkatu 5, Hämeenlinna**

**Guided outsider art tour** to ITE Art environments and other attractions in Päijät-Häme. Bus tour starts at 9 am from Saaristenkatu 5, Hämeenlinna. There will be two busses, which will visit same attractions in different order. In addition, the bus 1 will go through the Lahti Travel Centre (Mannerheiminkatu 15) at 01:35 pm.

Tour includes two warm meals: lunch at Kelossi restaurant and dinner at Kaarisilta. The lunch break of bus 1 will be at 11:35am-12:30pm and bus 2 at 12:15-01:00pm. The tour ends into the beautiful garden of Kaarisilta and then back to Hämeenlinna, where we are around 7 pm.

Main organizer: Association for Rural Culture and Education, Kaarisilta, Kettuki



# TOUR STOPS

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## **Esa Pajulahti's Promised Land**


One of the great discoveries of the ITE art survey in Häme is Esa Pajulahti's art environment, the Promised Land, an entire village of skilfully executed constructions commenting on the ways of the world. The productive master of the house, a retired carpenter, has also built a fantastically beautiful forest church on top of a hill.

## **Enni Id's artist home**

Enni Id's home, ornately painted from floor to ceiling, is a Gesamtkunstwerk and a magnificent gem of ITE art in the village of Kellosalmi in Padasjoki, some 60 kilometres north of Lahti. The story of the artist, who is known for her colourful paintings and unorthodox lifestyle, lives on in the small red cottage and its mysterious garden.

## **Seppo Suomensyrjä**

Seppo Suomensyrjä is a Formula 1 and motor sports enthusiast. He revisits his own 1950s childhood through real-size toy cars and biplane Sopwith Camel that he has built in his garden.



His toys include a hybrid yellow dragon made from a real Harley, and a Sputnik moped that can be seen speeding against the night-sky. Also, Suomensyrjä designs new space-age models, Jaguars in particular; he finds the mythology connected to this black beast of the jungle especially fascinating.

Seppo Suomensyrjä has built a Wild West saloon in his own house; it is a warm collection of hilarious objects, a museum of memories. The artist's surreal paintings provide the settings for the gunfights his "cowboy persona" Finn-Side Kid arranges.

To counterbalance the charm of the motorised world, Suomensyrjä has sculpted concrete sprites, elves, Kalevala's Väinämöinen and animals in his back garden.

## **Leo Laakko & Kari Onninen**

Sculpting wood is the most natural form of self-expression among Finnish self-taught artists; the chainsaw is the most common instrument and the bear is the best-loved of all subjects. Leo Laakko and Kari Onninen from Orimattila and Lahti are avid carvers, who participate in the yearly sculpting competitions, such as the Bear Festival in Ilomantsi, Northern Carelia. Together they share a space for carving, entertain guests by sculpting demonstrations and display their works in the nearby surroundings.

# **Kaarilta Art and Activity Center**

Kaarisilta is known for its artists and the visionary work it has done as an advocate for the rights of people in need of additional support since 1987. It was the first place in Finland to start providing upper secondary education in visual arts and music in 2003. Kaarisilta Art Studios enable artists and musicians in need of additional support to practise their art professionally. Kaarisilta also runs Art Kaarisilta -gallery in Helsinki.

## **SUNDAY 12 JUNE 10-12AM**

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### **10AM-12AM**

### **Annual General Assembly**

Culture and Congress Centre Verkatehdas, Hämeenlinna.







**EOA2022 is hosted by Kettuki\* with main partners:**

The Association for Rural Culture and Education  
European Outsider Art Association  
FAIDD – The Finnish Association on Intellectual and  
Developmental Disabilities  
Hämeenlinna City and Cultural Centre Arx  
The Arts Promotion Centre Finland

**Collaborators:**

NOA Nordic Outsider Art -network:  
GAIA Museum Outsider Art, Denmark  
Inuti, Sweden  
Kaarisilta, Finland  
List an Landamæra, Iceland

Art Kaarisilta  
Autism Foundation Finland  
Studio Aula / Aula työkotien kannatusyhdistys ry  
IPI Corner Cafe and gallery  
Pertin Valinta



**\*Kettuki** is Finland's nationwide network for artists from outside the mainstream art world. Founded in 2002. The association consist of artists, art experts, professionals and 23 organizations in the field of art, culture and social services.

Network aims to improve opportunities for people with intellectual and learning disabilities and individuals within the autismspectrum to study and practice art in both professional and recreational contexts.

Kettuki's Artist Register:  
[www.kettukintaiteilijamatrikkeli.fi](http://www.kettukintaiteilijamatrikkeli.fi)



### **More information about Finnish ITE Art**

[msl.fi/itetaide](http://msl.fi/itetaide)

[Facebook @ITEtaide](#)

[Facebook Middle of Nowhere](#)

### **Websites for outsider art environments abroad**

[Outsider Environments Europe](#), website by Henk van Es

[Spaces Archives](#), website by Kohler Foundation

[Facebook @OutsiderEnvironmentsEurope](#)

# Photos

- P. 1     Aleksi Pietikäinen The Kingdom of the Cats. 2016.  
acryl 100 x 120 cm: Sirpa Taulu
  - P. 2     Verkatehdas: Jari Kivelä | Painting: Antti Koski
  - P. 4     Studio Aula: Petteri Vehmanen | Paul Gustafsson's  
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Vallila Art Studio, Autism Foundation Finland: Petteri  
Vehmanen
  - P.5     ART Kaarisilta: Annika Ruuska
  - P. 7     Screenshot Agnus McPhee: Mike Inglis | Painting: Antti  
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  - P. 9     Verkatehdas block: Pasi Visakivi
  - P. 10    Glass Yard Verkatehdas: Jari Kivelä | Canva & Kaarina  
Arokorpi
  - P. 11    Verkatehdas: Eveliina Koski | Tea towel by Kia  
Marqvardt, Inuti Photo: Lotte Nilsson Valimaa
  - P. 12    Enni Id: Design Spot
  - P.15    Meeting room 1: Jari Kivelä
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