

**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**

- 2022 Research on Wonder, Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR  
Sense of Wonder, Maison Louis Carré, Bazoches-sur-Guyonne, FR  
2020 Sense of Wonder, The Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, FI  
2019 Observing Eye, Helsinki Contemporary, Helsinki, FI  
Finnish Aalto, Busan Museum of Art, KR  
Fieldwork, Centro de la Imagen, Lima, PE  
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, NO  
Fieldwork, Aperture Gallery, New York, US  
Kalhama & Pippoo Contemporary, Helsinki, FI  
2010 Close Observer, Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR  
2008 Domaine de Kerquénec, 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, AT  
2006 Jackson Fine Art, Atlanta, US  
Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR  
Yours Gallery, Warsaw, PL  
Galerie Wilma Tolksdorf, Berlin, DE  
2006 Gallery F-Station, Photomonth in Krakow, PL (catalogue)

**Selected group exhibitions**

- 2022 Snowflakes and Other Surprises, Landskrona Foto, SE  
Touch. The Collection Exhibition of Saastamoinen Foundation, EMMA, Espoo, FI  
By the Morning, the Butterfly Was Gone, Persons Projects, Berlin, DE  
Due North!, Festival La Gacilly-Baden Photo, Baden, AT  
Whose Nature?, Mikkeli Art Museum, FI  
Snowflakes and Other Surprises, Fotografisk Center, Copenhagen, DK  
2021 Model Animal, Kunsthaus Göttingen, DE  
New Perspectives Through Photography – 25 Years of The Helsinki School, Taidehalli Helsinki, FI  
Due North!, La Gacilly Photo Festival 2021, La Gacilly, FR  
Whose Nature?, Jyväskylä Art Museum, Jyväskylä, FI  
Exploring Nature, Skovhuset Kunst & Natur, Værløse, K  
2020 The Helsinki School – The Nature of Being, Persons Projects, Berlin, DE  
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 Gegenwartskunst, Mannheim, DE  
             Endangered Species: Artists on the Frontline on Biodiversity, Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, WA, US  
             NATURE AS A PLAYGROUND, The Museum of Photography Seoul, KR
- 2017      The Von Wright Brothers, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki, FI  
             Systema Naturae, Kunsthall Stavanger, Stavanger, NO  
             Herbarium, Fotografiskcenter Copenhagen, DK  
             Kuusi, Lachenmann Art, Konstanz, DE  
             Human/Nature, Northern Photographic Centre, Oulu, FI  
             You want Truth or Beauty, Kunsthalle Nexus, Saalfelden, DE  
             Le Jardin potager, Musée de l'image, Epinal, FR  
             Antologia, Metronom gallery, Modena, IT  
             Lehvä pitää viedä jälle, jotta se taansii, Samuelis Baumgarte and the Ratskeller, Bielefeld, DE
- 2016      Paradise Lost, Kunsthalle and Museum Villa Rot, Burgrieden-Rot, DE  
             Unseen Art Fair, Amsterdam, NL  
             Photomed, Hôtel des Arts, Centre d'art contemporain, Toulon, FR  
             Kolga Tbilisi Photo 2016, Museum Of Modern Art Tbilisi/ MOMA Tbilisi, GE  
             Paradise Lost, Kunsthalle and Museum Villa Rot, Burgrieden-Rot, DE  
             Les Explorateurs, Parc de Clères, Clères, FR
- 2015      Fotografia Contemporanea dall'Europa nord-occidentale, Fondazione Fotografia Modena, IT (catalogue)
- 2014      Collective Collection, volet 2, BBB centre d'art, Toulouse, FR  
             Summer Selections - De Buck Gallery, New York, US  
             What's Life Anyway?, Tromsø Kunstforening, Tromsø, NO  
             Asombrosas afinidades, PHE2014, Fundación Antonio Saura, Cuenca, ES  
             Nordic Light International Festival of Photography, Kristiansund, NO  
             Photography into Art. The Hannula & Hinkka Collection, Aboa Vetus & Ars Nova, Turku, FI  
             Le bestiaire des photographes, Centre culturel Henri-Desbals, Toulouse, FR
- 2013      ARTE Vidéo Night 5/ screening, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, FR  
             Drôles d'oiseaux, Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris, FR  
             Vermessene Dinge/ Measured things, Eres Stiftung, Munich, DE  
             Reality Bites, Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, FI  
             Spécimens, Domaine de Chamarande, Chamarande, FR
- 2012      The Near and the Distant - Photography and Space, Künstlerhaus Dortmund, DE  
             State of the Art - New Contemporary Photography, NRW-Forum, Düsseldorf, DE  
             Festival of Photography, Knokke-Heist, BE  
             Hunters and Hunted, Insects in contemporary art, Museum Villa Rot, Burgrieden - Rot, DE (catalogue)  
             Sammen/Together, Trondheim Kunstmuseum, NO  
             Äärimmäisyyskien yhteinen tekijä, WAM, Turku, FI (catalogue)  
             Finders Keepers, Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä, FI (catalogue)
- 2011      A Female View. Part 2-aus der Helsinki School, Foto Raum, Wien, AT  
             Für Hund und Katz ist auch noch Platz, Art Foyer DZ Bank, Frankfurt am Main, DE  
             Beautiful Vagabonds, Yancey Richardson Gallery, US
- 2010      Strange Travelers, Tanya Bonakdar gallery, curated by Mark Dion, New York, US  
             elles@centrepompidou, women artists in the collections of the Centre Pompidou, Paris, FR (catalogue)  
             Wald, Städtische Galerie Waldkraiburg, Waldkraiburg, DE (catalogue)  
             Repeat All, Centro Cultural Chacao, Caracas, VE  
             Speed, Ulrich Museum of Art, Kansas, US
- 2009      The Tree, Fuglsang Art Museum, Island of Lolland, DK  
             Variations on Transcending the Finiteness of Human Vision, Riga Art Space, LV  
             FotoRio -Short List/The Dream Machine, Niterói Museum of contemporary art, Rio de Janeiro, BR

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- Repeat All, MIS - Museu da Imagem e do Som, São Paulo, BR (catalogue)  
Arctic hysteria Onscreen, Ludwig Museum of Contemporary Art, Budapest, HU  
PhotoEspana, Descubrimientos PHE Madrid, ES  
Får ej övertäckas, Eskilstuna Art Museum, SE (catalogue)  
Nature en Kit, MUDAC Musée de design et d'arts appliqués contemporains, Lausanne, CH
- 2008 Other flora, Galeria Nara Roesler, São Paulo, BR  
Video short list : Machines à rêver/ Dream machine, Passage de Retz, Paris, FR  
REAL, Städelsches Kunstmuseum, Frankfurt am Main, DE (catalogue)  
Observing beast, time, evolution, Kunstverein Hildesheim, DE (catalogue)  
Arctic hysteria Onscreen, Museum of Modern Art Moma, New York, US  
Cinéma et vidéos d'artistes, Maison Européenne de la Photographie, Paris, FR  
Five variations on the finiteness of human vision, Artget Gallery, Cultural Centre of Belgrade, RS  
Tapis, coussins et vidéos, 36th La Rochelle International Film Festival, La Rochelle, FR
- 2007 Research and Invention, Fotomuseum Winterthur, CH (catalogue)  
Bird Watching in Harlem, De Vishal exposition space, Haarlem, NL  
Garden Eden –The Garden in Art since 1900, Kunsthalle Emden, DE (catalogue)  
Self-timer, National Museum of Contemporary Art (MNAC), Bucharest, RO  
Age of the Animal, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki, FI (catalogue)  
Grey matters - photography is thinking, Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, FI (catalogue)  
Repeat All, Centro Cultural Matucana 100, Santiago de Chile, CL  
Photo Finnish - The Helsinki School, Stenersen Art Museum, NO  
Repeat All, La Casa de la Cultura, Buenos Aires, AR
- 2006 Self-timer, Nikolaj Contemporary, Copenhagen, DK  
Art, Life & Confusion, the Belgrade Biennial, RS (catalogue)  
Streams of Story, Glasgow Festival of Contemporary Visual Art, Tramway Gallery, Glasgow, UK  
The Faraway Nearby, White Box, New York, US  
Focus Finland, KBB Barcelona, ES  
Self-timer/ Selbtauslöser, Kunsthalle Fridericianum, Kassel, DE (catalogue)  
Presence, Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, FI  
Vad är fotografi? The Helsinki School, Borås Art Museum, SE

**Selected publications**

- 2020 Observing Eye, Hatje Cantz, Berlin  
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, Berlin  
2012 State of The Art Photography, Feymedia and NRW-Forum Duesseldorf  
2011 Fieldwork, monograph, Aperture Foundation, New York  
The Helsinki School, Vol. 4, A Female View, Hatje Cantz, Berlin  
2009 Foam Magazine #19, 2009, Foam Fotografiemuseum Amsterdam  
Northwave, 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 collection of DZ-BanK, Städelsches Kunstmuseum und Hatje Cantz  
Frankfurt am Main  
2007 Research and Invention, catalogue, Fotomuseum Winterthur,  
Photo Art: Fotografie im 21. Jahrhundert, DuMont Literatur und Kunst Verlag  
Garden Eden, DuMont Literatur und Kunst Verlag, Germany  
The Helsinki School, Hatje Cantz, Berlin  
2005 Selbtauslöser –catalogue, Kunsthalle Fridericianum  
Framework, The finnish art review, issue 4/ Dec.2005  
Helsinki Photography Festival 2005, catalogue, Gallery Hippolyte  
The Helsinki School, Hatje Cantz, Berlin

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, FR  
Fotomuseum Winterthur, CH  
MEP, Maison européenne de la photographie, FR  
Le Fonds national d'art contemporain (FNAC), The State Art Collection, FR  
Fonds Régional d'Art Contemporain, FRAC Haute-Normandie, FR  
Fonds Régional d'Art Contemporain, FRAC Bretagne, FR  
DZ-Bank Art Collection, DE  
Kiasma - Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, FI  
Finnish Museum of Photography, FI  
Helsinki City Art Museum, FI  
State Art Collection, FI  
Vihuri Foundation, Rovaniemi Art Museum, FI  
Salo Art Museum, FI  
SKMU Sørlandets Kunstmuseum, NO  
Le Château d'Eau, Toulouse, FR  
Domaine Départemental de Chamarande, Chamarande, FR  
Artothèque, Bibliothèque d'Auxerre, FR  
Société Yves Rocher, FR  
Private collections in Finland, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Norway, USA, Austria and Switzerland