

LAURI ASTALA

Artist, born in Valkeakoski (Finland), works and lives in Helsinki (Finland) and Avallon (France)

Curriculum Vitae

Education

- 1999-2001 The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, USA (Dept. of Art&Technology ja Dept. of Experimental Film), MFA
1985-90 Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Finland, BFA
1984-85 University of Industrial Arts Department of Art Education, Helsinki, Finland
1979-84 Helsinki University of Technology Department of Electrical and Communication Engineering, Finland

Solo exhibitions

- 2022 The Nordic House in the Faroe Islands, Denmark
2021 Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
2018 Norrtälje Art Hall, Sweden
2016 Oboro – Labotatoire nouveaux médias, Montréal, Canada
Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
2014 Turku Art Museum, Turku, Finland
2013 Eyebeam Art+Technology Center, New York, USA
Kunsthalle Helsinki Studio, Helsinki, Finland
2012 Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
2010 Helsinki Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland
2008 KUMU Contemporary Art Museum, Tallinn, Estonia
Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
Institut finlandais, Paris, France
2005 Forum Box Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
1999 Tallinn Art Hall, Tallinn, Estonia
Centrum Rzezbypolskiej, Oronsko, Poland
1998 Uppsala Konstmuseum, Uppsala, Sweden
1997 Bildmuseet, Umeå, Sweden
Helsinki Art Hall project room, Helsinki, Finland
1996 Museum of Foreign Art Sinebrychoff, Helsinki, Finland
Häme Museum, Tampere, Finland
Turku Art Museum, Turku, Finland
1995 Galleri Enkehuset, Stockholm, Sweden
1993 Gallery Pieni Agora, Helsinki, Finland
1991 Hvitträsk -91, Finland
1990 Kluuvi Gallery, Helsinki, Finland

Selected group exhibitions

- 2022 *Uncertain Spaces*, Helsinki Art Hall, Finland
XXVI Mänttä Art Festival, Finland
2021 *Collectors on tour*, Museum of Foreign Art Sinebrychoff, Helsinki, Finland
Uncertain Horizon, WAM Turku City Art Museum, Turku, Finland
Reciprocities, Vantaa Art Museum Artsi, Finland
Art Odyssey 2021, Serlachius Art Museum, Mänttä, Finland
2020 *Serene Thoughts*, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland
2019 *Nurinkurin*, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland
Oodi Helsinki Central Library, Helsinki, Finland
Art Fair Suomi '19, Helsinki, Finland
New Media – 8 Perspectives, 375 Hudson Street, New York, USA
2017 Haihara Art Center, Tampere, Finland
LaMusica, G Livelab, Helsinki, Finland
2016 *Inside*, Museum Kunst der Westküste, Alkersum, Germany
Un/safe, Kuntsi Art Museum, Vaasa, Finland
2015 *Absence of Self*, Wood Street Galleries, Pittsburgh, USA
Städtische Galerie Bietigheim-Bissingen, Germany

- 2014 *Temporada 14*, Espacio de Arte Contemporáneo, Montevideo, Uruguay
MoonShin Museum, Seoul, South Korea
Stadtgalerie Kiel, Kiel, Germany
Backlight '14 Video Factory, Nokia/Tampere, Finland
- 2013 *Entre chien et loup*, Le 19, CRAC Montbéliard, France
Noviembre Electrónico, Centro Cultural San Martín, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 2012 ISCP, Brooklyn, NY, USA
- 2011 *Spatial Places*, Copper Smithy, Fiskars, Finland
Cartes Flux, Helsinki, Finland
Forum Box, Helsinki, Finland
Tampere Art Fair, Tampere, Finland
- 2010 *Starter*, ARTER, Istanbul, Turkey
Felicità, CentrePasquArt, Bienne, Switzerland
Mythos Kindheit, Kunstverein Ludwigshafen, Germany
Travelling Letters, Lahti Art Museum, Finland
- 2009 South Carelia Art Museum, Lappeenranta, Finland
Fotografia 2009, Palazzo Esposizioni, Rome, Italy
Mythos Kindheit, Haus für Kunst Uri, Altdorf, Switzerland; CCA Mallorca, Spain
Dansens Hus, Stockholm, Sweden
Fly me to the Møøn, 44 Møen, Askeby, Denmark
- 2008 *BB3 Bucharest Biennial*, Bucharest, Romania
The Map: Navigating the Present, Bildmuseet, Umeå, Sweden
The Wapping Project Art Ceter, London, UK
Cartes Flux3, Espoo Cultural Center, Espoo, Finland
Galerie Susan Nielsen, Paris, France
- 2007 *V triennale of Finnish Art*, Helsinki Art Hall, Helsinki, Finland
Error #7 'Just a Movie for God Sake', Antwerpen, Belgium
gbagency, together with Elina Brotherus, Paris, France
Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
- 2006 *Drawing Lust*, Kunsthalle Lophem, Brügge, Belgium
Museum!Museum!, Oulu City Art Museum, Oulu, Finland
Places of Arrival and Departure, Kamppi, Helsinki, Finland
- 2005 *New Media Art From Finland*, Boston Cyberarts Festival, USA
- 2004 *Voids, Pads & Places*, Kunsthalle Lophem, Brügge, Belgium
- 2003 *The 8th Mänttä Art Festival*, Mänttä, Finland
Inside the Artist's House, Gallery Otso, Espoo, Finland
View 03, Kino K-13 and Helsinki Art Hall, Helsinki, Finland
Videoformes 2003 –festival, Clermont-Ferrand, France
Clone – Digital Film Festival, Hämeenlinna, Finland
Sara Hilden Art Museum, Tampere, Finland
Putki-festival, Fiskars, Finland
Hong Kong International Film Festival IFVA, China
Tampere Contemporary Art Museum, Vapriikki, Tampere, Finland
View03Oulu, Oulu, Finland
Webbiä&Wideotaidetta, Lappeenranta, Finland
Galleri 300m3, Göteborg, Ruotsi
Malmö Konsthall, Malmö, Sweden
Kettupäivät, Orion-theatre, Helsinki, Finland
- 2002 *Myth*, Helsinki City Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland
- 2001 *Nomads&Homesteaders*, Chicago, USA
Classical, Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku, Finland
The City Wakes, Myyrmäkitalo, Vantaa, Finland
- 2000 *Sun, Moon and Stars*, Living Art Museum, Reykjavik, Island
Transitions:
- Malmö Konstmuseum, Malmö, Sweden
- Kunsthalle Rostock, Rostock, Germany
Ifthat:
- The House of Sciences, Helsinki
- Miasto Krakoff and Galeria Pryzmat, Crakow, Poland
- 1999 *II triennale of Finnish Art*, Haus Am Waldsee, Berlin, Germany
- 1998 *II triennale of Finnish Art*, Helsinki Art Hall, Helsinki, Finland
Sun Drawings, Suomenlinna, Helsinki, Finland

- 1997 Purnu, Orivesi, Finland
Sun, Moon and Stars
 - Kuopio Art Museum, Kuopio, Finland
 - Rovaniemi Art Museum, Rovaniemi, Finland
Saaremaa Biennaal, Kuressaari, Estonia
Iconopress, Szczecin, Poland
- 1996 *Timescape*:
 - Northern Arizona University Art Museum, Flagstaff, USA
 - Leedy-Voukos Art Center, Kansas City, USA
 - McNeese State University Art Gallery, Lake Charles, USA
 - Bergens Kunstforening, Bergen, Norway
- 1995 *Biennale del Bronzetto*, Padova, Italy
Sun, Moon and Stars:
 - Gallery of the Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Finland
 - Old City Hall, Turku, Finland
Timescape:
 - Kerava Art museum, Finland
 - Södertälje Art Hall, Sweden
 - Aine Art Museum, Tornio, Finland
- 1993 *Åkersvika Cultural Landscape*, Hamar, Norway
Transit, National Museum, Helsinki, Finland
- 1992 *FinlandiDa '92*, Academy of Fine Arts, Stockholm, Sweden
Love on Ruins, Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Tampere, Finland
Con Temporis, Millesgården, Stockholm, Sweden
Polytypi:
 - Tikanoja Art House, Vaasa, Finland
 - Museum of Foreign Art, Riga, Latvia
 - Parliament House, Helsinki, Finland
 - Sakala Art Center, Tallinn, Estonia
Timespace, Nordic Art Center, Helsinki, Finland
- 1991 *Polytypi*:
 - Norrköping Art Museum, Sweden
 - Gallery Augusta, Sveaborg, Helsinki, Finland
 - Gallery F 15, Moss, Norway
Exit-91, Mikkeli Art Museum, Finland
- 1990 *Natur Saga Myt*, Södertälje Art Hall, Sweden
Sculptor 90, The 80th Anniversary Exhibition of the Association of Finnish Sculptors:
 - Helsinki Art Hall, Finland
 - Aine Art Museum, Tornio, Finland
- 1989 *Art Expo*, Exhibition of the Artists' Association of Helsinki, Forssa, Finland
Young Artists' Exhibition, Helsinki Art Hall, Finland
PAND - Performers and Artists for Nuclear Disarmament Exhibition, Murmansk, USSR
Pro Graphica, Lohja, Finland
- 1988 *Fabula I*, Sveaborg, Helsinki, Finland

Selected film festivals and video screenings

- 2022 *Tampere film festival*, Finland
DocPoint22, Helsinki, Finland
Filmfest Weiterstadt, Germany
- 2019 *La Musica*, Yle Teema
- 2018-20 *La Musica*, Yle Areena
- 2018 Point Éphémère, Paris, France
- 2017 *LaMusica*, G Livelab, Helsinki, Finland
- 2016 *Internationale Kurzfilmtage Oberhausen*, Germany
Festival International du Film d'Environnement, Île-de-France, France
Lux Helsinki Festival, Ateneum, Helsinki, Finland
Days of Blossom, Nijmegen, Netherlands
- 2015 *Mediated Architecture*, Haus der Elektronischen Künste, Basel, Switzerland
Interfilm, 31st International Short Film Festival Berlin, Germany
7th Antarctic Short, Documentary and Animation Film Festival, Antarctic
Exground Filmfest, Wiesbaden, Germany

Cairo Video Festival, Cairo, Egypt
Leuven Short Film Festival, Leuven, Belgium
Kassel Documentary Film and Video Festival, Kassel, Germany
Asiana International Short Film Festival, Seoul, South-Korea
IndieCork Film Festival, Cork, Ireland
Love & Anarchy, Helsinki International Film Festival, Helsinki
Open Air Filmfest Weiterstadt, Germany
Videoformes 2015 – 30th Digital Arts International Festival, Clermont-Ferrand, France
OFF15 – Odense International Film Festival, Denmark
Hamburg International Short Film Festival, Germany
International Video Art Festival Now&After, Moscow, Russia
Tampere Short Film Festival, Tampere, Finland
BUNTER HUND – Internationales Kurzfilmfest München, Germany
Stuttgarter Filmwinter festival, Germany
Akbank Short Film Festival, Istanbul, Turkey
VERA Film Festival, Maarianhamina, Finland
Kinos Film Festival, Lahti, Finland
The Journey, Formlab, Amsterdam, Netherlands
The Journey, Soho House, Berlin, Germany
2014 *Helsinki Short Film Festival, Finland*
Future Shorts – Tampere Architecture Week, Tampere, Finland
12th Festival international Signes de Nuit, Paris, France
2011 *Split Film Festival – International Festival of New Film, Split, Croatia*
LOOP, Barcelona, Spain
2010 *Access to Dance Festival, München, Germany*
Cinéphémère, Jardin des Tuileries, Paris, France
2009 *Northwave, Scuola dei Calegheri, Venice, Italy*
2008 *Kassel Documentary Film and Video Festival, Kassel, Germany*
Ars Fennica, Embassy of Finland, Washington, USA
Ars Fennica, The Scandinavian House, New York, USA
IHME O, Bio Rex, Helsinki, Finland
Arctic & Fabulous Film Festival, Jyväskylä, Finland
Loikka Dance Film Festival, Helsinki, Finland
View 08, Kino Andorra, Helsinki, Finland
On Air – from North to South, Villa San Michele, Anacapri, Italy
2007 *Zodiak Center for New Dance, Helsinki, Finland*
View 07, Kino Andorra, Helsinki, Finland
Full Moon Dance Festival, Pyhäjärvi, Finland
Festival della Creatività, Firenze, Italy
Circolo Scandinavo, Rome, Italy
2003 *View 03, Kino K-13 and Helsinki Art Hall, Helsinki, Finland*
Videoformes 2003 –festival, Clermont-Ferrand, France
Clone – Digital Film Festival, Hämeenlinna, Finland
Sara Hilden Art Museum, Tampere, Finland
Putki-festival, Fiskars, Finland
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Kettupäivät, Orion-theatre, Helsinki, Finland

Artist Residencies

2020 *Kriti Artist Residency, Varanasi, India*
2018 *Villa Empain, Bryssel, Belgium*
2012 *ISCP (International Studio and Curatorial Program), New York, USA*
2007 *Circolo Scandinavo, Rome, Italia*
2005 *Villa Lante, Rome, Italia*

Works in collections

Aine Art Museum, Tornio, Finland
ARTER / Vehbi Koç Foundation Contemporary Art Collection, Istanbul, Turkey
City of Espoo, Finland
City of Valkeakoski, Finland
City of Vantaa, Finland
EMMA, Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Finland
Heino Art Collection, Finland
Helsinki Art Museum, Finland
Kemi Art Museum, Finland
KIASMA, Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, Finland
Kuopio Art Museum, Finland
Nordic Art Center, Finland
Oulu Art Museum, Finland
Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland
Saastamoinen Foundation, Finland
Serlachius Art Museum, Mänttä, Finland
Wihuri Foundation, Finland
Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, City of Turku Collection, Finland

Other artistic activities

1991 Visual planning and realization of the "Mudmorphosis" Performance, Helsinki, Finland

Public works

2006 Kotipuu, Arabianranta, Helsinki, Finland
1999 Sun Labyrinth, Pukinmäki Säveltäjäpuisto environmental art work, Helsinki, Finland
1998 Monument for E.N.Setälä, Kokemäki, Finland

Published articles (written by the artist)

2004 Space, Place, Presence; PTAH-magazine 1/04 (Alvar Aalto Academy)
2004 Tila, paikka, läsnäolo; Taide-lehti 5/04 (Kustannus Oy Taide)

Selected awards/grants

2021- Supplementary state artist pension
2018-20 Three years state grant
2011-15 Five years state grant
2007 State Prize of Finland, Art Council of Finland
2005-09 Five years state grant
1999-2000 ASLA-Fulbright graduate grant
1998-2000 Three years state grant
1995-97 Three years state grant

Teaching activities

2003-16 Academy of Fine Arts, Department of Post-graduate Studies
2002-04 University of Art & Design Helsinki, The School of Visual Culture
1990-99 Helsinki University of Technology, Department of Architecture
1982-88 Helsinki University of Technology, Department of Electrical and Communication Engineering