

## VESALAHTI MIKA • Curriculum Vitae (Short version)

### *B. 1967, Helsinki. Lives and works in Helsinki, Finland and Viljandi, Estonia*

#### EDUCATION

- Academy of Fine Arts 1988-1993, the Department of Painting, Helsinki (graduation 1992)
- Free Art School 1986–88, Helsinki

#### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITION

- 2022 Societa Delle Belle Arti, Circolo Degli Artisti, Casa di Dante, Florence, Italy
- 2021 Museum of New Art, MoNa, Pärnu, Estonia
- 2019 City gallery, Viljandi, Estonia
- 2017 Gallery KONE, Hämeenlinna, Finland
- 2016 Gallery Taidesalonki, Helsinki, Finland
- 2015 The Museum of New Art, MoNa, Pärnu, Estonia
- 2014 Gallery UusiKipinä, Lahti, Finland
- 2013 The Museum of New Art, MoNa, Pärnu, Estonia
- 2011 Gallery Stoa, Helsinki, Finland
- 2010 Gallery Kohina, Joensuu, Finland
- 2009 Gallery12, Kuopio, Finland
- 2008 Finnland Zentrum, Berlin, Germany
- 2007 Museum of Yrjö A. Jäntti Art Collection, Porvoo, Finland
- 2006 Gallery AARNI, Espoo, Finland
- 2005 Gallery of Finnish Painters`Union, tm-gallery, Helsinki
- 2004 Kaapeli gallery, Helsinki, Finland
- 2001 Gallery Katariina, Helsinki, Finland
- 2000 Gallery Jangva, Helsinki, Finland
- 1999 Seinäjoen Taidehalli, Seinäjoki Kunsthalle, Finland
- 1998 Varkauden Taidemuseon galleria, gallery of Varkaus Art museum, Finland
- 1997 Gallery Pirkko-Liisa Topelius, Helsinki, Finland
- 1996 Gallery Just, Turku, Finland
- 1995 Gallery Jangva, Helsinki, Finland

#### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 "Dance Macabre", Kemi Art Museum, Finland
- 2022 "18:th international Rothko Symposium", Daugavpils, Latvia
- 2021 "Into the Light", Finnish Art, Gallery Starnberger See, Feldafing, Germany
- 2020 "Sisällä", taidekeskus Antares, Sippola, Finland
- 2019 "Finnish Art Week", gallery Art Hub, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2018 "Consequences", Porvoo Art Hall, Porvoo, Finland
- 2018 "FinnArts – Artworks about nature and acology", Alviks library gallery, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2017 "Arteground Baltic – Nature of Culture", City Gallery, Viljandi, Estonia
- 2016 "Arteground Baltic", City Gallery, Viljandi, Estonia
- 2015 "Arteground Scandinavia", gallery Stenhallen, Borgholm, Oland, Sweden
- 2015 "Arteground Baltic: reflecting Rothko", Viljandi Citygallery, Estonia
- 2014 IV Baltic Biennale of Contemporary art, St. Petersburg, Russia
- 2014 "Arteground Baltic", Viljandi, Estonia
- 2012 "Arteground Berlin", Finnish Contemporary Art, Berlin, Germany
- 2011 "Arteground", Finnish Contemporary Art, Viljandi, Estonia
- 2010 "Arteground", Finnish Contemporary Art, Viljandi, Estonia
- 2009 "The Finnish Art Festival", Palacio dos Artes, Porto. Portugal
- 2008 "Riita", Työväenmuseo Werstas, Tampere, Finland

- 2007 “Naturally”, Nagyatad, Hungary
- 2006 Galerie Francois Mansart, Paris, France
- 2005 Kouvola Art Museum, Finland
- 2004 Nordic Art Association Annual Exhibition, Rantakasarmi Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
- 2002 Finnish Association of Aquarelle Art, Sanomatalo, Helsinki, Finland
- 2001” Time in Mazzano” -contemporary Art from Finland and Estonia, Kunsthalle, Helsinki, Finland

#### PUBLIC COMMISSIONS

- 2003 Wall painting, Comprehensive School, and High School “NORSSI II”, Helsinki University, Helsinki

#### GRANTS

- 2023 Finnish Cultural Foundation
- 2022 Finnish central commission of art
- 2021 Finnish central commission of art
- 2020 Finnish central commission of art
- 2017 Finnish central commission of art
- 2016 Finnish central commission of art
- 2015 Finnish Cultural Foundation/Uusimaa
- 2015 Pohjola Norden
- 2012 Finnish central commission of art
- 2011 Letterdetska Foundation
- 2009 Oscar Öflunds Foundation
- 2007 The National Council for Visual Arts
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- 2005 The National Council for Visual Arts
- 2004 Finnish Cultural Foundation
- 2002 Finnish Cultural Foundation
- 1998 Finnish Cultural Foundation

#### REPRESENTED IN COLLECTIONS

- Rothko Centre, Daugavpils, Latvia
- Gallery Starnberger See, Germany
- Art Hub, Abu Dhabi UAE
- Imago Mundi (Luciano Benetton Collection)
- Finnish Art Society
- Helander Society
- Salmela Art Center
- Mäntyharju County
- Hotel Tornio, Helsinki
- Anatolia Cultural Association, Helsinki
- Collection Swanljung
- House of Satire and Humour, Gabrovo, Bulgaria
- City of Nagyatad, Hungary
- Museum of New Art, Pärnu, Estonia
- Private collections

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Finnish Painters' Union
- Helsinki Artists' Association
- Art Association of Viipuri
- PAND (Artists for peace, Finland)
- SOCIETA' DELLE LE ARTI CIRCOLO DEGLI ARTISTI, Firenze

## CONFIDENTAL POSTS

- 2009-2016 Chairman of the Board, Helsinki Artists' Association
- 2006 Member of the board of Helsinki Artists Association HTS
- 2006 Finnish Painters Union member's committee
- 2006-12 Finnish Art Association, presenting Painters Union

## ESSAYS

- 2020 Kaltio 6/22
- 2021 Futura (referee), Särö
- 2020 Taide 5-6/20
- 2020 Postimees 2.9 (critique), Estonia
- 2020 Särö
- 2020 Kaltio
- 2019, ERR net (Estonian broadcasting company), Särö, Kaltio