

ANNA PUHAKKA

Anna Puhakka is a cross-disciplinary curator, artist, and arts management professional from Finland. Her work explores alternate realities and the intersections of nature, ritual, and technology. Over the past 15 years, she has curated numerous exhibitions in Finland and internationally, with a particular focus on site-specific commissions. As an artist, her practice examines generational and inherited memory in the construction of self-image. She often works through ritual, tracing the documentary edges between lived experience and technology.

EDUCATION

2021	Master of Culture and Arts, Cultural Production, Humak UAS
2007	Bachelor of Art BA honours Fine Art, University of Sunderland, UK
2024	Curating the Digital, Node Center of Curatorial Studies.
2013–2014	NODE Centre of Curatorial Studies: Exhibition Design. Curatorial procedures: contracts, loans and official documents. Career Pathways for Curators and Cultural Managers.

SELECTED CURATORIAL WORK

2024	Deform and re-form, Helsinki Central Library Oodi, Finland
2022	Criss-Crossing Ecologies, collab. with BioArt Society,
2019–2020	Producer of exhibitions, Annantalo Art Center, (17 exhibitions), Finland
2011–13	HESA imprint, Curator of content for art magazine, ISSN-L 1799-8549

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2017	Desolati Piscis, Studio Mustanapa, Rovaniemi, Finland
2016	Untitled Switzerland, Makkaragalleria, Helsinki, Finland
2012	Kyllä, tunnen syntymäsi, Gallery Jangva, Helsinki, Finland
2012	Karjalasta Nyt ja Ennen, Louhitalo, Eno, Finland
2010	The Four Stages of Doubt, NOVEMBER Gallery, Sunderland, United Kingdom

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2025	ArtSibbe, Artborg35, Sipoo, Finland
2017	AFS17, Kaapelitehdas, Helsinki, Finland
2017	S-ART competition, finalist, S-gallery, Helsinki, Finland
2017	Sound Sauna, Finlandsinstitutet, Tukholma, Sweden
2016	Cismittääkö?, Malski galleria, Lahti, Finland
2015	50+1 Taidenäyttely, Louhitalo, Eno, Finland
2015	Telephone, Satellite Press, New York, U.S.A
2013	Pop Up Art House, Helsinki, Finland
2013	PNEM Sound Art Festival, Uden, The Netherlands

2012 All Your Women Things, PAPER, Manchester, UK
2012 Manchester Contemporary Art Fair, Manchester, UK
2012 Nowhereisland Radio, (09.08.2012) Lontoo, UK
2012 Cultural Olympiad project Nowhereisland, Plymouth, UK
2009 Three Cosmopolitan Artists, Villa Flora, Branik, Slovenia
2008 Sandwich Box, New Life Berlin Festival, Mitte, Berlin, Germany
2008 On Screen In Street, Sunnyside Gardens, Sunderland, UK
2007 Watch This Space, The Star and Shadow Cinema, Newcastle, UK
2006 I Love Washington, Washington art centre, Washington, UK
2006 Performance to Caravan, The Mobile Cinema, Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead, UK

RESIDENCIES

2011 Unknown Road – Research and Development, Finland
2010 25SG, Newcastle, UK
2010 NOVEMBER, Sunderland, UK
2009 Villa Flora Artist in Residency Program, Branik, Slovenia
2007–08 s/Lab's Visiting Artist Programme. Sunderland, UK
2007 Rednile Projects, Sunnyside, Sunderland, UK

MEMBERSHIPS

Helsinki Artists' Association
Sipoo Artists' Association
Muu ry
Finnish Artists Association