

SANDRA KANTANEN / CV

Born in 1974 in Helsinki, Finland. Lives and works in Hangö, Finland.

Education

- 2003 Master of Arts (Photography), University of Art and Design Helsinki (UIAH)
(now Aalto University School of Arts, Design and Architecture)
- 2001 Central Academy of Fine art, Beijing, China
- 1995 Västra Nylands folkhögskola, Fine Art
- 1994 Västra Nylands folkhögskola, Photography

Solo exhibitions (selected)

- 2024 Meadow, Laukko Manor, Pyhäjärvi, FI
- 2023 Paris Photo Solo exhibition with Purdy Hicks Gallery, UK
Turku Art Museum, Turku, FI
Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, EN
- 2020 LUSTRE, Duo at Bryce Wolkowitz Gallery, New York, USA
- 2019 More Landscapes, Gallery Taik Persons, Berlin, DE
More Landscapes, Pohjoinen Valokuvakeskus, Oulu, FI
More Landscapes, Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK,
Smokeworks, Persons Projects, Berlin, DE
Pohjoinen Valokuvakeskus, Oulu, FI
- 2015 Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK
- 2014 Korjaamo Gallery, Helsinki, FI
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- 2010 Pobeda Gallery, Moscow, RU
- 2009 Photographic Gallery Hippolyte, Helsinki, FI
- 2008 Shadow Images, Gallery TAIK, Berlin, DE
- 2005 Seydler AG Bank Frankfurt, Frankfurt, DE
- 2005 Landscape and variations, Galerie Anhava, Helsinki, FI
- 2005 Galleri Brandstrup, Oslo, NO
- 2005 Seydler AG Bank Frankfurt, DE
- 2003 Black Landscape, Galerie Anhava, Helsinki, FI

Group exhibitions (selected)

- 2025 Flowers – Flora in Contemporary Art & Culture, Saatchi Gallery London, UK
- 2024 Turku Art Museum, "Mikä väri?", Turku, FI
Photo Miyota Festival at MMop Miyota Museum of Photography, JPN
Northern Light: Nature Photography, Museum de Fundatie, Zwolle, NL
CHART Art Fair with Persons Projects, Copenhagen, DK
Branched. Trees In Photographs From The Spallart Collection, Sammlung
SpallArt, AT
C.J.Malmberg, Kuparipaja, Fiskars, FI
- 2023 Verzweigt. Bäume in Fotografien der Sammlung SpallArt, Städtische Galerie
Rosenheim, DE
Kunstforum Darmstadt Photography Festival, Darmstadt, DE
CHAPPE, opening exhibition, Tammisaari, FI
- 2022 ALB Museum Opening Exhibition, ALB Museum, Tammisaari, FI
Summer Exhibition, Taidekeskus Purnu, Orivesi, FI
By the Morning, the Butterfly Was Gone, Persons Projects, Berlin, DE
Eye on Nature, Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK
NatureMAX, Giant Gallery, Bournemouth, UK

- 2021 New Perspectives Through Photography – 25 Years of the Helsinki School, Taidehalli Helsinki, FI
Nordic Light – 7 Artists from the Helsinki School, Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK
Taming Nature, Valerius Gallery, Luxembourg, LU
Lux/Pictura, VB-valokuvakeskus, Kuopio, FI
- 2020 Rebooting Nature, Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK
Keeper of the Hearth, Houston Center for Photography, Houston, USA
The Helsinki School --The Nature of Being, Persons Projects, Berlin, DE
LUSTRE, Bryce Wolkowitz Gallery, New York, USA
- 2019 It came from the North, World Trade Center, Jakarta Indonesia
- 2018 "On Disappearance and Appearance", Alfred Erhardt Stiftung, Berlin, DE
"New Territory", Denver Art Museum, Denver, Colorado, USA
- 2017 "Yhtä juhlaa!" Rovaniemi Artmuseum Korundi, FI
"Herbarium - Fotografi&botanik" FOTOGRAFISK CENTER, Copenhagen, DK
"Anna&Sandra" LOKAL Gallery, Helsinki FI
Five Finnish photographers, Purdy Hicks Gallery, UK
- 2016 Papilio, Isabelle Lesmeister Gallery, Regensburg, DE
Maihinnousu, Hangon Casino, Hanko, FI
Viidakko tulvii, Keravan Artmuseum Sinkka, FI
- 2015 Moi Helsinki, culture event, Beijing CN
Pulse Miami, Purdy Hicks gallery, US
Kawaba Photograpy Festival, Kawaba Village, JP
- 2014 Fondazione Fotografia Modena Fotografia dal nord europa, IT
Le 19, Centre régional d'art contemporain, Montbéliard FR
Gumbostrand Art&Design Center, Söderkulla FI
LOKAL Gallery, Helsinki FI
Convergences: Selected Photographs from the Permanent Collection J. Paul Getty Museum, Getty Center LA, USA
- 2013 X-ist Gallery, Istanbul, TR
Blütenzauber - Fotografien und Installationen internationaler Künstler, Museum Bad Arolsen, DE
Vesiputoussateenkaari ja muita tapahtumia luonnossa, EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art, FI
Sensibility, Korjaamo Galleria, Helsinki, FI
Summer Exhibition , Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK
- 2012 7.Aalto- Taiteen Wihuri, Helsinki Art Hall, FI
Female View – Part 2, Fotoraum, Vienna, AT
- 2011 FLOWERS / TIME, DEATH AND BEAUTY FO.K.U.S Foto Kunst Stadtforum Innsbruck, AT
Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich CH
Purdy Hicks Gallery, London UK
Pyhäniemi Manor, Hollola, FI
Nature Forte Korundi openingexhibition, Rovaniemi Art museum, FI
- 2010 Highlighted, Nieuw Dakota, Amsterdam, NL
Ikkuna portfolio, Photographic Gallery Hippolyte, FI
Echoes of Light, Photographic Centre Valokuvakeskus Nykyaika, Tampere, FI
- 2009 Internal and External Landscapes, Shiseido Gallery, Tokyo, JPN
- 2008 Simple Life, Fiskars, FI
Incertitudes de la vision, Brussels, BE
100% Finlandais, Bordeaux City gallery, FR
Aomori contemporary art center, Artist in residence, JPN
Views on Finnish photography, Nordic Art Works, London, UK
Det blommar!, Galleri Elverket/Pro Artibus, Eknäs, FI

- 2007 Purdy Hicks Gallery, London, UK
Stenersen museum, Oslo, NO
- 2006 Flower as picture, Gallerie Anhava, Helsinki, FI
Paris Photo, Gallery TAIK, Paris, FR
Naturally! Mogadishni Gallery, Copenhagen, DK
Joutsenen jäljillä, Lasipalatsi Gallery/ LUME center, Helsinki, FI
Artek house, Housefair, Espoo, FI
The Helsinki School, Brussels, BE
The Helsinki School, Borås Konsthall, Borås, SE
- 2005 The Helsinki School, Kulturhuset, Stockholm, SE
- 2004 Galerie Roellin/Duerr, St Gallen, CH
CAFA gallery, Beijing, CN
30 by TaiK, Finnish Museum of Photography, Helsinki, FI
The Helsinki School, Brandts Klaedefabrik, Odense, DK
Fotofinlandia exhibition at Finnish Museum of Photography/Oulu City
Art Museum, FI
- 2003 Landscape Now, City Art Museum, Mikkeli, FI
- 2002 Kultur-Räume Norden: An der Schwelle des Unbekannten, Kulturabteilung
Bayer, Leverkusen, DE
Masters of art, Museum of photography, Helsinki, FI
- 2001 CAFA department of photography, Beijing, JP
Bordets Lust och Lov, Millesgården, Stockholm, SE
Gallery Brandstrup, Oslo, NO
- 2000 Having a ball, video installation, Profounders gallery, Helsinki, FI
(SIC), CuLTUREN, Västerås, SE
Takaikkuna, photo.doc, KIASMA Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, FI

Awards

- 2007 H&W Grönqvist Foundation award
- 2005 Maire Gullichsen 80-year Jubilee Fund award
- 2004 Fotofinlandia finalist grant
- 2003 KESKO grant for young artist

Grants

- 2017 Finnish Swedish Art Council, working grant
- 2014 Konstsamfundet
- 2014 Finnish Cultural Foundation
- 2012 Arts Council of Finland / working grant
- 2010 Arts Council of Finland / publication grant
- 2008 Aomori Contemporary Art center, Japan, artist in residence grant
- 2007 Oskar Öflund Foundation
Alfred Kordelin Foundation
- 2006 Swedish Art council
Arts Council of Finland
- 2005 FRAME Finnish fund for art exchange
Swedish art council / working grant
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- 2002 Swedish art council
FRAME foundation for Finnish art exchange
University of Art & Design scholarship
- 2000 Sleipnir NIFCA
- 1999 Scholarship of Ministry of education

Memberships

2013-2015 National Council for Photographic Art committee

2010-2012 Union of artist photographers in Finland board

Works in collections

J.Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, USA

Stockholms sjukhem, SE

KIASMA Museum of Contemporary Art, FI

Pro Artibus Foundation, FI

Helsinki City Art Museum, FI

Tampere Art Museum, FI

Olorvisual Collection, Barcelona, ES

EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Saastamoinen Foundation, FI

SOK collections, Helsinki, FI

Wihuri Foundation, Rovaniemi, FI

State Art collection, FI

Parliament of Finland, FI

Seydler AG Bank, Frankfurt, DE

Four Seasons Hotel, St.Petersburg, RU

Per Gessle collection, Halmstad, SE

Bo Bjerggaard gallerie, Copenhagen, DK

Pentti Kouri collection, New York, US

Oulu City hospital, FI

Tres Hombres Art, SE

Private collections in Finland, Sweden, Italy, Holland, Denmark, Norway, USA, Kuwait, France, Great Britain, China, and Japan.

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