

LAURI ASTALA

artist

Curriculum Vitae

born 1958 in Valkeakoski

Education

- 1999-2001 The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, USA, 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

- 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, Oronska, 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 and film / video festivals

- 2016 *Inside*, Museum Kunst der Westküste, Alkersum, Germany
Un/safe, Kuntsi Art Museum, Vaasa, Finland
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 *Absence of Self*, Wood Street Galleries, Pittsburgh, USA
Städtische Galerie Bietigheim-Bissingen, Germany
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 efilmfestival, 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 *Temporada 14*, Espacio de Arte Contemporáneo, Montevideo, Uruguay
MoonShin Museum, Seoul, South Korea
Stadtgalerie Kiel, Kiel, Germany
Backlight '14 Video Factory, Nokia/Tampere, Finland
Helsinki Short Film Festival, Finland
Future Shorts – Tampere Architecture Week, Tampere, Finland
12th Festival international Signes de Nuit, Paris, France
2013 *Entre chien et loup*, Le 19, CRAC Montbéliard, France
Noviembre Electrónico, Centro Cultural San Martin, 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
Split Film Festival – International Festival of New Film, Split, Croatia
LOOP, Barcelona, Spain
2010 *Starter*, ARTER, Istanbul, Turkey
Felicità, CentrePasquArt, Bienne, Switzerland
Mythos Kindheit, Kunstverein Ludwigshafen, Germany
Travelling Letters, Lahti Art Museum, Finland
Access to Dance Festival, München, Germany
Cinéphémère, Jardin des Tuileries, Paris, France
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
Northwave, Scuola dei Calegheri, Venice, Italy
Fly me to the Moon, 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
Kassel Documentary Film and Video Festival, Kassel, Germany
Ars Fennica, Embassy of Finland, Washington, USA
Ars Fennica, The Scandinavian House, New York, USA
IHME 0, 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 *V triennale of Finnish Art*, Helsinki Art Hall, Helsinki, Finland
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gbagency, together with Elina Brotherus, Paris, France
Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
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
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
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- 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
Purnu, Orivesi, Finland
- 1997 *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

- 1990 *Exit-91*, Mikkeli Art Museum, Finland
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

Works in collections

Aine Art Museum
City of Espoo
City of Valkeakoski
City of Vantaa
Heino Art Collection
Helsinki City Art Museum
Kemi Art Museum
KIASMA, Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki
Kuopio Art Museum
Nordic Art Center
Oulu Art Museum
Saastamoinen Foundation
Vehbi Koç Foundation Contemporary Art Collection
Wihuri Foundation
Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, City of Turku Collection

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

- 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- 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