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Curriculum vitae

Merja Kupari

Born 1959

Studies:

2002 Pekka Halonen Academy, Basic vocational qualification
in communications, Art and Media culture, Visual Artist
1978 Upper secondary school of Riihimäen lukio

Members:

2005 - 2008 Cabinet member/secretary of Vantaa Artists Association
2002 Member of Union of Finnish Art Associations
-2013 Aspirant member of Finnish Painters' Union
2002 Ordinary member of Vantaa Artists Association
2007 Member of client of Kuvasto ry: yes
Member of Register of the Artists' Association of Finland: yes

Coming solo exhibitions:

2017 **Paintings**, 7.dream Gallery, Helsinki
2016-17 **Touring exhibitions**, Cultural services, Vantaa

Solo exhibitions:

2017 **What's my soul singing**, Gallery Höyry, Korpilahti Harbour,
Jyväskylä
2016 **Paintings**, Gallery Kapriisi, Tampere (the gallery was closed
in Summer 2016)
2015 **There's due time for everything**, Gallery Paronen Riihimäki
2015 **Paintings**, Gallery Uusi Kipinä, Lahti
2014 **Pastolar**, Hospital Peijas, Vantaa
2014 **Heirloom**, Gallery Becker, Jyväskylä
2014 **Selective Colours**, Gallery Jänis, Turku
2014 **Heirloom**, Gallery Gjutars, Vantaa
2012 **Touring exhibitions**, Cultural services, Vantaa
2012 **Paintings**, Gallery Laurea, Vantaa
2012 **Yes, it was so**, Gallery Kapriisi, Tampere
2011 **Was it after all**, Gallery Viileä Punainen, Helsinki
2010 **Let's have fun**, Pisto-gallery, Vantaa
2009 **Sidottuni**, Ava Gallery, Helsinki
2009 **Tiger lily**, Gallery Gjutars, Vantaa
2009 **Traces and tails**, Järnät, Järvenpää Hall
2008 **Teardrops and smile**, Suopursu, Vantaa
2006 **Medulla**, Gallery Stoa, Helsinki
2006 **Paintings**, Hospital Peijas, Vantaa
2006 **Metulla**, Gallery Nunes, Helsinki
2003 **What is it in a woman**, Gallery Gjutars, Vantaa
2003 **Momentary drama**, ABB Inc, Finland

Juried foreign group exhibitions:

2016 **A Midsummer Night's Dream 2016**, Galleria K,
Gallery K, Vantaa Art Museum, Tikkurila
2016 **My Blue, My Yellow**, Wenngarn Slott Sigtuna, Sweden

- 2015 **Group exhibition**, Gallery Kitai, Tokyo, Japan
 2015 **A Midsummer Night's Dream 2015**, Berchtoldvilla, Salzburg, Austria
- 2014 **Carrousel du Louvre**, Carrousel du Louvre, Contemporary Art Fair 2014, Paris
- 2009 **II Artfestival**, Galeria do Palácio, Porto, Portugal
 2008 **The Art Career**, Forja, Valencia, Spain
 2006 **The third meeting – International Art Show**, the art gallery of Xiamen University, China
 2005 Group exhibition of Cable Factory Artists and Vantaa Artists Association, Fengersfors, Sweden

Juried group exhibitions:

- 2016 **A Midsummer Night's Dream 2016**, Gallery K, Vantaa Art Museum, Tikkurila
- 2014 **20- Anniversary Art Exhibition**, Group exhibition of Vantaa Artists, Gallery K, Vantaa Art Museum, Tikkurila
- 2014 **Colours**, Gallery Artika, Helsinki
 2012 **Dreams into reality**, Gallery Fogga, Helsinki
 2011-12 **Artforum**, Fair Center, Helsinki
 2010 **Early dreams**, Gallery Férin, Helsinki
 2008 **The Art Career**, Ava Gallery, Helsinki
 2007 Group exhibition of Ars Jok'vars 07, Jämsä
 2005 **Eyes Open**, Group exhibition of Vantaa Artists Association, Vantaa Art Museum
 2003 **Taidemylly**, Kerava Art Museum

Group exhibitions:

- 2013 **Happy End**, Group exhibition of Vantaa Artists Association
- 2011 **Around**, Group exhibition of Vantaa Artists Association, Flamingo, Vantaa
- 2011 **There is nobody here**, The Problem Group, Gallery Vuotalo, Helsinki
- 2010 **There is nobody here**, The Problem Group, Gallery Uusikuva, Kotka
- 2008 **Shadow and light, color and white**, Taidepanimo, Lahti
- 2011-02 Group exhibitions of Vantaa Artists Association
 2004-02 Group exhibitions of Artport, Viitasaari
 2003 **With Love**, The Problem Group, Gallery Kanneltalo, Helsinki
- 2002 **The treasure seekers**, Cable Factory, Helsinki
 2002 Final project exhibition by Pekka Halonen Academy, Cable Factory, Helsinki
 2000 **Emotional human being**, The Problem Group, Gallery Uusikuva, Kotka

Presented in Collections:

The Evangelical Lutheran congregation of Vantaa
 Private collections

Artist Grants:

- 2015 Travel Grant for Groups, the Committee for Leisure and Recreation in Vantaa
- 2008 Travel Grant for Groups, Arts Council of Finland
 2005, 2008 Artist Grant of the Committee for Leisure and Recreation in Vantaa

Prize contest:

- 2002 The second prize in design contest by Tuusula, Finland