



CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

15/06/2016 **Aalto-University of Art, Design and Architecture,**
Department of Art, Art Education
Master of Arts & Bachelor of Arts (art educator)

30/05/2009 **Academy of Pekka Halonen**
Visual culture studies

30/05/2008 **Diakonia-University of Helsinki**
Bachelor of Social Services
Social advisor and diacon

07/12/2000 **High School of Kaitaa**
Baccalaureate

WORK EXPERIENCE IN ART AND ART EDUCATION

(Work experience in education and social work listed in the next paragraph)

In Germany:
From 11/2017 **The Finnish School of Frankfurt**
Position: Culture teacher
Teaching Finnish culture and language for children of age 3-5 years.

From 10/2008 **Independent artist**
Independent and custom based paintings, drawings, photographs and films.
Exhibitions in several galleries in Germany and Finland, such as NEUE ArT 2016
Dresden Kunstaktivmesse, Gallery Node, Gallery Nooa and Gallery Lasipalatsi.

From 9/2011 **Project based Illustrations and graphic designing**
Several magazines and NGO's in Germany and Finland, such as Amnesty
International Finland, Diversity Management of TU Dresden, Maailman
kuvalehti (magazine World Pictorial) and Helmo (Helsinki Multicultural
Education Services).

2012-2017 **Sairaanhoitajalehti (engl. Magazine Nurse)**
Position: Illustrator for magazine articles, for 8 to 12 issues in a year.

- 11/2016 – 10/2017 **Dresden International School (DIS) Kindergarten**
 Position: Art teacher in kindergartens Art Club
 Planning and teaching an art workshop once in a week for a group of 10, 3 to 5 years old children.
- 06/2017 **Dresden International School (DIS)**
 Position: Teacher at the Summer Language Camp of Dresden International School
 Teaching English language to 10 year old children, together with an assistant teacher, by using art and other creative methods.
 (*see also the Social Work paragraph)
- 08/2016 **Brücke/Most-Stiftung, Dresden**
 Project "Amen sam ade! Hier sind wir! Tady jsme!"
 Position: Art teacher
 Teaching in a photography workshop for refugees
- In Finland:
 2014 - 2016 **Aalto-University of Art, Design and Architecture**
 Position: Lecturer of Information and communication skills.
 Teaching the basic course of Information and Communication Tools for the University students, including programs Word, Bridge, Photoshop and In Design.
- 6/2014 **Finnish Human Rights League**
 Position: Film maker
 Screenplay, cinematography and editing of a documentary short film about Jordanian human rights activist Rana Hussein.

WORK EXPERIENCE IN EDUCATION AND SOCIAL WORK

- In Germany:
 11/2016 – 10/2017 **Dresden International School, Kindergarten**
 Position: after school teacher and covering kindergarten teacher
 Supporting children's development and play, arranging activities and assisting the teachers.
 (*see also the Art Education paragraph)
- In Finland:
 11/2015 - 4/2016 **Helsinki Department of Social Services and Health Care, Reception center for Asylum Seekers**
 Position: Substitute social advisor in three reception centers.
 Counseling of refugees in the process of asylum seeking and everyday issues, such as being contact with the Immigration office, police and health care officers.
- 9/2002 - 1/2009 **SEURE**
 Position: Substitute teaching in the kindergartens of Helsinki and Espoo city.
 Working as a kindergarten teacher, assistant teacher and after school teacher.

- 4/2007 - 8/2006 **Helsinki Department of Social Services, Immigration Unit**
 Position: Social Advisor
 Counseling and supporting of refugees in integration, such as arranging the first home and being contact with social and health services, education services and Finnish Immigration Service.
- 7/2004 - 12/2003 **One Way Mission Ry, Elsa-home & Elviira-home**
 Position: Assisting social advisor in women's shelter.
 Counseling of women in rehabilitation and family issues.
- 11/2002 - 5/2003 **Helsinki Lutheran Cathedral**
 Position: Art teacher
 Teaching art in a creative youth group for 9 to 15 year old children.
- 12/2001 - 5/2003 **Tenava Päiväkodit Ry**
 Position: Substitute teacher in kindergartens of Espoo city.
 Working as a kindergarten teacher, assistant teacher and after school teacher.

POSITIONS OF TRUST & VOLUNTEER WORK

- 7/2016 – 10/2017 **Germany, Dresden. Akifra, Kinderkino**
 Arranging film evenings for refugee children.
- 06/2014 **Turkey, Gaziantep&Kilis. Syrian Ministry of Culture at the Exile**
 Leading 4 self-image photography workshops for 7-13 years old Syrian refugee children in Turkey.
- 2012 - 2016 **Finland, Helsinki. Amnesty International.**
 Secretary and a member of Amnesty Internationals Middle East and North Africa activist group, specialized in Bahrain and Egypt issues. Arranging meetings, seminars and following the human rights situation in MENA area.
- 2013 - 2016 **Malawi, Kambalame & Finland, Helsinki. One Way Mission ry**
 Secretary of NGO's children's education program in Malawi. Management of information flow between sponsors and the organization and management of the school children database.
- 10/2011 and 4/2013 **Malawi, Kambalame**
 Volunteer Development co-operation in South Malawi. Working with children, senior citizens, hiv/aids patients and helping in the maternity clinic.
- 06/2010 **Egypt, Cairo. Sini Maria Heikkilä (M.L)**
 Photography documenting and assisting human rights activist's research in Egypt.
- 2/2007 - 3/2007 **Finland, Helsinki. Kallio Lutheran Church**
 Scenery and costume designing for theater play.
- 2000 - 2005 **Russia, St. Petersburg & Carelia. One Way Mission ry**
 Volunteer humanitarian work with homeless children, refugees, senior citizens and children with disabilities. 7 one week trips.

12/2003 - 5/2004

Egypt, Cairo. Children Home of Fawler

Volunteer work in children's home for girls. Teaching english, taking care of children and maintaining handicraft work. Preparation period for the work included cultural studies and Arabic language studies.

3/2002 - 4/2002

India, Pottipadu. One Way Mission ry

Volunteer work in humanitarian community One Way Village in Andhra Pradesh, India. Working with children, senior citizens and people with disabilities and helping with NGO's aid program.

01/2001 - 03/2001

Russia, St.Petersburg. Rainbow of hope, Center for Street Children

Teaching in an art workshop for homeless children, assisting a family support program and working in a street patrol for homeless children.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Finnish	Native Speaker
English	Excellent command
Swedish	Good command
German	Basic (A2 level, starting B1)

COMPUTER SKILLS

Photoshop	Expert
Camera Raw	Expert
Bridge	Expert
In Design	Expert
Word	Advanced
Final Cut Pro	Advanced
Powerpoint	Advanced
Illustrator	Advanced
Movie Maker	Advanced
Premiere	Advanced
Excel	Basic
After Effects	Basic

MY PROFILE

INTERNSHIPS AND DISSERTATIONS

Aalto-University of Art, Design and Architecture

Internships:

Early childhood education:	Compensated from the previous studies in Social Service
Basic internship:	Viiikki Teacher Training School of Helsinki University (6 lessons)
Applied internship:	High School of Kaitaa (30 lessons)
Adult Education:	Aalto-University of Art, Design and Architecture (3 workshops)
Final internship:	Helsinki Art High School (8 lessons)
Pedagogical project:	Alwan wa Awtar, art for social development. Cairo, Egypt. (4 workshops)
Part of the Bachelor dissertation:	Art Workshop for Malawian children (2 workshops)

Master dissertation: Year 2016. 81 pages and 4 short movies. Language Finnish. Title: Participating in the everyday life of Kambalame- ethnographic study of the experience of art educator.

The thesis examines what art educator can learn from their own and other cultures following the social lives of children and everyday activities. Thesis further addresses the questions like what is the Finnish art educator's gaze and interpretation outside their own culture. Research data was collected in Malawian village, Kambalame.

Bachelor dissertation: Year 2012. Title: "The images of N'Khulambean Kids."

The thesis examines the children's drawing culture in a non western culture, as N'Khulambean valley in Malawi, Africa. Research is based on 32 drawings, which were drawn by 16 children in September 2011 in the above mentioned location.

Diakonia-University of Applied Sciences

Internships:

Mental Health and Intoxicant Misuse:	Helmi ry (8 weeks)
Supporting of performance:	Saaga Center for Seniors ry (5 weeks)
Social Support and Poverty:	Diaconia of Helsinki Lutheran Cathedral (8 weeks)
Multicultural Social Work:	One Way Village, Pottipadu, India. (3 months)
Part of the dissertation:	A creative growth group in an Indian children's home (11 workshops/3 months)

Bachelor dissertation: Year 2007. 100 pages and a short document movie. Title: "A creative growth group in an Indian children's home." The dissertation was a production, a creative group which included art therapeutic elements. It was held 11 times in South East India during September-December 2006. Eight children attended. All gatherings were filmed and edited to a short document movie.