

Exhibition

Viewpoints on Fiskars village as living environment

Concept and realization by the sculptor Sirpa Kolu

Copper Smithy, Fiskars, Finland

4.10.-22.11.2009, opening Saturday 3rd of October at 3 p.m.

Open Tuesday to Sunday from 12 to 5 p.m.

One can imagine what it felt like for the man living in the forest in the beginning of time, to put down his hand in the stream of the Fiskars River; the freshness and force of the water. A lot of water had flown until the next person came and started to measure the banks of the river with a water wheel. This led to lots of beating and hammering for a long time on. Nowadays you can still hear the hammer in the village, but the water wheel has gone silent a long time ago.

I moved to live in Fiskars five years ago. Every day I walk with my dogs by foot a ten kilometre long walk in this environment, through the woods and the village, in the morning and in the evening. I took with me the children from the school to the roots to make notes, sketches, to take hand writing from the forest, the plants, the fields, the river, the buildings... The school children often visit the studios and workshops of the craftsmen, designers and artist of the village to get to know different materials and techniques. From these moments, these drawings and shapes, together with the professionals of the village, form a mutual work, from this landscape, this history, rhythm, form, colours... Fresh and powerful.

Besides the children of Fiskars school, following artists participate with their work in the exhibition: Eeva-Kaisa Ailus, Eeva Airaksinen, Upi Anttila, Soili Arha, Susanna Bagge, Kirsti Doukas, Daniel Enckell, Lino Garghentino, Hannu Hjerppe, Hanne Horte-Garner, Terhi Ingman, Tiina Karimaa, Sirpa Kolu, Paula Kovalainen, Kristiina Lehtonen, Pipa Nikula, Pentti Nuortimo, Katri Pailos, Jaakko Pakkala, Mikael Pohjola, Katariina Reuter, Hannu Siren, Joonas Siren, Tommila family, Tiina Tuunanen and Katja Öhrnberg.

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