

Anssi Hanhela hanhela@anssi.org http://www.anssi.org/hanhela-art/ B.1962

**Art Studies** 

2005- University of Lapland, Department of Art Education
2006-07 Umeå University
2001 Education of Arts and Media, Kemi-Tornio University of Applied Sciences
1986 Art School of Kankaanpää, Painter
Professional Memberships
Finnish Painters' Union
Artists` Association of Lapland
Artists` Association of Oulu

Solo Exhibitions, selected Several exhibitions in Finland since 1986 1994, 1995, 1998, 2000, 2006, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016 Helsinki

## Sweden:

2007 Vindeln, Konst i Kvarn 1995 Gothenburg, Gallery Konstepidemin, 1995 Luleå Galleri Pictor, Switzerland: 1995 Schaffhausen, Galerie Schiff 1997 Winterthur, Galerie Löwen Russia: 1998 St.Petersburg, Borey Art gallery Norway: 2005 Vadsö, Galleri Light Of Varanger

1999 The Nordic Artists' Centre in Dale

## Group Exhibitions, selected

2014 Kemin taidemuseo BangBang#KEMI, Oulun taiteilijaseura
2010 The Finnish Artists 2010 exhibition
2010 HOME TODAY art works of family theme The Aine Art Museum
2009 My North, Rantakasarmi, Helsinki, The Nordic Art Association
2008 AVA Galleria presents The Art Career exhibition, Valencia, Spain, Finland
2005 Graphica Creativa, Jyväskylä

2004 Art from Finland, Petrozavodsk, Russia

1996 Hip Övertorneå, Sweden

1995 Virtaa Haaparanta, Sweden

1995 Mänttä Art Festival

1994 Gruppa Moja Murmansk and Severomorsk, Russia

1992 Laplands' Art Murmansk, Russia

1987, 1989, 1991, 1995, 1996, 1998 SKjL exhibition

## International Exhibitions

2015 ENIGMA, Arndt Haike gallery, Berlin, Danmark

2015, How to Read in the Dark, The Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Joensuu, Riga, Berlin

2012 I live on the Arctic Circle, Eesti Tallinna, Latvia Riika

2011-13 Karvavahetuse aeg, Lapimaa nüüdiskunst, Eesti, Latvia

2010 7th International Miniprint Finland

2010 9th Lessedra World Art Print Annual - Mini Print Bulgaria

2010 Mail Art project "Avtoportret/Enter" Yaroslavl Art museum Russia

2008 AVA Galleria presents The Art Career exhibition, Valencia Espanja, Helsinki

2008-09 Colouring The North, Verkligheten, Umeå, Stockholm Sweden

2006 Egoart prize, nominated artist. www.egoart.sk (andrei g)

2006 Artperiscope-The Light, Tabor gallery, Czestochowa, Czech Republic

2006 Fifth Annual International Miniatures Exhibition "little m", Lithuania

2005 Art Nature, Utrecht, Netherlands

2003World Art Collection, National Art Gallery of Seoul, Korea

2002 The Barents Art Exhibition Arkhangelsk, Russia

2002 Karelian Holidays Petrozavodsk Russia

2000 Reasons to love the Earth 2000-2001

1999 Art- E- Mail Virtual Art Exhibit, Columbia

1999 Art-e-mail in MAC21 International Contemporary Art Fair, Spain

1996-97 Bowl Project, Finland

1995 Baltic Sea States Triennial of Graphic Art, Poland

1995 Box`95, Lithuania

1994 Laplands' Art Summer, Finland

1994 1998 Man and Woman Nude Art, Estonia

1994 Grafik från Nordkalotten, Sweden

1993 The 4th Riga Minigraphics Triennial, Latvia

1992 The Baltic Countries Graphic Art Triennale, Poland

1991 Nordkalottens Höstsalong, Sweden

1991 Nordisk Kunst, Denmark

1990 Graphica Creativa, Finland

1989 Nordisk Teckningstriennal, Sweden

1985 Plan Air, Poland

## Happenings and workshops

2005 From The Light, Video Art, Tampere, Helsinki

2004 The First Volgograd International Festival of videoart "Videology"

2004 Studio Là-bas→, Cable Factory, Helsinki, Andrei G.: video installation FURY

2004 Studio Là-bas→, Cable Factory, Helsinki, Andrei G.: video projection, Lauri Luhta: performance, djing

2004 Là - Bas -> live art happening, Oulu, Finland

2002 International Snag sculpture symposium, Inari, Lapland

1999 International Ice Festival, The Norwegian Glacier Museum, Fjærland

Other Artistic Activity <a href="http://www.anssi.org/hanhela-art/">http://www.anssi.org/hanhela-art/</a>

Anssi Hanhela Anssi Hanhela (b.1962) paints life. In his expressionism paintings vitality collides with existentialism. In northern mindscapes this is no wonder for one who follows his internal nature, the road leads to a place without other people. In the landscape, colors ring and ascendeth and eros is realized, glowing brightly. However, in the mystical reality of nature, man is only a voyeur and mental connection, not an organic participant.

The relationship between humans is originally organic and of the body, but when another person climbs on the other's shoulders to become a burden, it kills the possibility of organic communication. In this way, humans are only organic in relation to themselves.

They are existential – beings, that feel in many ways what exists singularly and what it is to be alone. I can see this kind of perspective in Anssi Hanhela's paintings.

Their narrative and painterliness express a similar content. At times freedom flows like breathing, although the soul has been captured in a zoo. At other times the internal urge flows inward with sharp consequences.

The feeling of conflict is present. At the end, it is nature that calls and Hanhela's images display hope and a new kind of urge to combine inner and outer nature.

Henri Hagman painter, art critic Rovaniemi, Finland