

Sirja-Liisa Eelma

education

2018 Doctoral School at the Estonian Academy of Arts

1996 MA Painting, Estonian Academy of Arts

selected solo exhibitions

2024

Longing for Lost Space, Kumu Art Museum, Tallinn (forthcoming)

2023

The Skin of Reflections, Tartu Art House, Tartu

2022

Black Mirror, together with Tiina Sarapu, Draakon Gallery, Tallinn

2021

Repeating Patterns, together with Mari Kurismaa, curated by Tamara Luuk, Tallinn Art Hall Gallery

2020

Postcard in Five Stills, Hop Gallery, Tallinn

2017

Sandwiches Around the Clock, Tartu Art Hall, Tartu, Estonia

Sinking (In) (together with Krista Mölder), Evald Okas Museum, Haapsalu, Estonia

Appetizer, Hop Gallery, Tallinn

2016

Whatnot, Vaal Gallery, Tallinn

2015

Emptying Field of Meaning #2, Haapsalu City Gallery, Haapsalu, Estonia

2014

Emptying Field of Meaning, Draakon Gallery, Tallinn

2013

The Waiting Room, Hobusepea Gallery, Tallinn

2011

There is Nothing, Draakon Gallery, Tallinn

2006

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2000

Memories of Plants, Tallinn City Gallery

1996

Close-ups, Vaal Gallery, Tallinn

selected group exhibitions

2024

Geometric Realism. Encounters and Reflections. Rüki gallery, Viljandi, Estonia

2023

Spring Exhibition, Annual Exhibition of the Estonian Artists' Association, Tallinn Art Hall

2022

Growing Out? Growing Up? Contemporary Art Collecting in the Baltics, Zuzeum, Riga, Latvia

2021

Colour as an Idea. Thoughts from the Colour, ARS Project Space, Tallinn

2020

Spring Exhibition, Annual Exhibition of the Estonian Artists' Association, Tallinn Art Hall

2018

Aesthetics of Boredom (curator Peeter Talvistu), Tartu Art House, Tartu

Spring Exhibition, Annual Exhibition of the Estonian Artists' Association, Tallinn Art Hall

2017

Spring Exhibition, Annual Exhibition of the Estonian Artists' Association, Tallinn Art Hall

2016

Barricades 25, Gallery of Latvian Artists' Association, Riga, Latvia; St. John Galerii, Vilnius, Lithuania

2015

Metamorphoses of the Black Square. Interpretations of Malevich's Work in Estonian Art, curated by Elnara Taidre, Kumu Art Museum, Tallinn

2014

... And Plays Tricks. Contemporary Art from Estonia, together with Andres Tali, Sigrid Viir and Marko Mäetamm, curated by Elin Kard, Tushino Exhibition Hall, Moscow

selected art projects

2012

Spacial installation Behind the Closed Doors (together with Kaarel Eelma), Exhibition Hall of Toompea Castle (Parliament of Estonia), Tallinn

2006

MerimetsanAlchemy. Fashion, photography and social therapy (together with Otto von Busch and Diana Lui), project with Merimetsa Rehab Center and exhibition In Hop Gallery, Tallinn

2005

Good Old Swedish Time, Hordasteif, Hordaland, Norway

AKKURAT – An Axcame for the Whole Family (together Kaarel Eelmaga), Dale Biennaal, Dale i Sunfjord, Norway

2004

Pattern Dissectors (together with Otto von Busch), Draakon Galerii, Tallinn 2004 Visual Ahimsa, Tallinn Art Hall / restoran Curry House, Tallinn

residencies

2019

Hôtel Chevillon, Grez-sur-Loing, France / 1-month residency

2012

Väino Tanner Foundation, Mazzano Romano, Italy / 2-month residency

2006

RaumArs A-i-R, Rauma, Finland / 2-month residency

2006

KulturKontakt Austria, Vienna, Austria / 3-month residency

2005

NKD – Nordic Artists' Centre in Dale, Dale i Sunfjord, Norway / 6-month residency

awards and grants

2022

Scholarship for Creative Work of Teachers / Estonian Academy of Arts, Cultural Endowment of Estonia

2023

Scholarship for Creative Work of Teachers / Estonian Academy of Arts, Cultural Endowment of Estonia
Kristjan Raud Art Award

2021

AkzoNobel Art Prize, nominee 2016 Konrad Mägi Award

2017

Ela ja Sära grant, Cultural Endowment of Estonia

2015

Cultural Endowment of Estonia, 6-month creative grant

works in collection

Art Museum of Estonia

Estonian Museum of Applied Art and Design

private collections

pedagogical experience

2021 until present

Estonian Academy of Arts, fine arts facultee, department of painting, visiting associated professor

1995–2013

Estonian Academy of Arts, visiting lecturer, department of photography, department of painting, EAA Open Academy