

PIRJO YLI-MAUNULA

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Date of birth: 20.1.1959

EDUCATION

Dance:

1966- 67 ja 1975- 77 Kalevi Merikallion ballet school, Oulu

1976- 83 Leena Ortola ballet school, Oulu

1981- 85 Oulu Ballet School

1986 anatomy, physiology, dance history, Theatre Academy of Finland

1993- 1994 Choreographical studies, Turun taiteen ja viestinnän oppilaitos

2004 Flowing – Movement Laboratory for professional dancers, Theatre Academy of Finland

1978 - 2010 several dance workshops in France, Great Britain, Sweden, USA, Belgium and Netherlands

Other education

1984 Teachers training in Oulu University

1994- 95 Producer of Culture and Arts, Oulun University

WORK

1982 - 1998 Oulu Dance Studio, dancer, dance teacher, choreographer

1990- 1991 Regional Artists for Dance in Oulu

1998- 2002 JoJo – Oulu Dance Centre, dance artist & artistic director

2003- 2006, 2014-16 Full Moon Dance Festival, artistic director

2006 – Flow Productions, dancer-choreographer , curator, producer

CHOREOGRAPHIES

1983 Rituaali (in collaboration with Paula Tuovinen)

1990 Muutoksia (in collaboration with Maria Littow)

1990 Harmaa Kerros (multidisciplinary production, directed by Jussi Helminen)

1994 Henkilökohtaista 3

1996 Nada (in collaboration with Maria Littow)

1996 Glamouria – Unelmia Onnesta

1996 Peikkosatu

1997 Keinu Kanssain (in collaboration with several choreographers)

1997 Kauhukabaree

2001 Carpe Diem (solo)

2005 Omakuva – Self Portrait (solo)

2006 Keho ja Kuori / Body and Surface (multidisciplinary production)

2008 Kadonnut Kaupunki Oulu 2008 / Lost City Oulu 2008 (directed by Janne Saarakkala)

2008 Tanssi Korulle (solo)

2008 Kaamos /Polar Night (solo)

2009 Streams (in collaboration with William Petit)

2009 Double Dutch (direction, choreography by Ilona Jäntti & Natalie Reckert)

2010 Slapstickiä, Spalstickiä! (direction, choreography by Vaatu Kalajoki & Pauliina Tyni)

2010 Elegia /Elegy (solo)

2010 Here to Stay (in collaboration with Melissa Monteros, Wojciech Mochniej and Jukka Huitila)

2011 Svartisen (in collaboration with aerialist Ilona Jäntti)

2011 Lost City Presents: Experience park Turku 2011 (as part of the culture capital programme)

2011 Karsikko (in collaboration with choreographer Titta Court)

2012 Contacts (a solo to the music of Nando Russo, commissioned by Oulunsalo Chamber Music festival)

2012 Kuvittelen, että luulen (a piece for children in collaboration with music duo Soiva Siili)

2013 Susurro (a solo) Flow Productions

2013 Scars – Breaking the Barriers of Intimacy (in collaboration with William Petit)

DANCER

- 1983 Rituaali (Paula Tuovinen ja Pirjo Yli- Maunula), Oulun Tanssistudio
1984 Herääminen ja Neljä Naista (Charles Wynn), Oulun Tanssistudio
1985 Tanssi Kolmelle (Maria Littow), Oulun Tanssistudio
1987 Painajainen (Arja Raatikainen), Oulun Tanssistudio
1988 Tanssi kahdelle (Maria Littow), Oulun Tanssistudio
1988 Rajatiloja (Maria Littow), Oulun Tanssistudio
1990 Yön Kurkku (Päivi Järvinen), Oulun kaupunginteatteri & Oulun Tanssistudio
1990 Muutoksia (Pirjo Yli-Maunula & Maria Littow), Oulun Tanssistudio
1990 Harmaa Kerros (Pirjo Yli- Maunula)
1991 Levoton Aika (Maria Littow), Oulun kaupunginteatteri & Oulun Tanssistudio
1992 Linea Negra (Maikki Hauru)
1992 Kopeekka (Pirjo Paavalniemi), Oulun Tanssistudio
1993 Me Ainaiset (Maikki Hauru), Oulun Tanssistudio
1995 solo: Eläimellinen Romanssi (Paula Tuovinen), Oulun Tanssistudio
1996 Näkyjä (Alpo Aaltokoski), Oulun Tanssistudio
1996 solo: Lady of Spells (Susanna Veijalainen), Oulun Tanssistudio
1996 Glamouria - Unelmia onnesta (Pirjo Yli-Maunula), Oulun Tanssistudio
1997 sooloteos: Piikkejä ja terälehtiä (Ari Tenhula), Oulun Tanssistudio
1997 Nome (Maria Littow), Oulun Tanssistudio
1998 Sykli (Alpo Aaltokoski) Nomadi Production & JoJo
1998 Eteinen (Tommi Kitti), Jojo
1998 Crossroads (Melissa Monteros), JoJo
1998 Amfi (Petri Kekoni), JoJo
1999 Romantikuu (Markku Nenonen), JoJo
1999 Pinnalle (Maria Littow), JoJo
2000 Tähtivierailu (Jyrki Karttunen), JoJo & Nomadi-tuotanto
2000 Pilvilinna (Johanna Tuukkanen), JoJo
2000 Lupauksia (Alpo Aaltokoski), JoJo & Nomadi- tuotanto
2001 solo: Carpe Diem (Pirjo Yli- Maunula), JoJo
2001 Alla (Jyrki Karttunen), Nomadi Production & Zodiak
2002 Sahara (Alpo Aaltokoski), Nomadi Production & JoJo
2003 Kannattele! (Jaana Klevering)
2004 Handshake (Maria Littow), JoJo
2005 solo: Omakuva – Self Portrait (Pirjo Yli- Maunula), JoJo
2006 North Land – Nomade Cabaret (William Petit), co -production by Pyhäsalmen Tanssi ry / JoJo / working group
2006 Keho ja Kuori /Body and Surface (Pirjo Yli-Maunula) Flow Productions & Oulu Art Museum
2007 Raamattushow (Vaatu Kalajoki) JoJo
2007 Soolo Itselle ja Toiselle (Jaana Klevering (JoJo & Flow Productions)
2008 Kabaret Nomade (William Petit, Ranska)
2008 Kadonnut Kaupunki – Oulu 2008 (directed by Janne Saarakkala)
2008 Tanssi Korulle (Pirjo Yli-Maunula), Flow Productions
2008 Touching Point (Maria Littow), Flow Productions & Stellaris Dance Theatre in Norway
2008 Kaamos (Pirjo Yli-Maunula), Flow Productions
2009 Streams (Pirjo Yli-Maunula & William Petit), Flow Productions & Rialto Fabrck Nomade in France
2009 Crossing Intimacy (Sabine de Vivies, France)
2010 Elegia / Elegy (Yli-Maunula), Flow Productions
2010 Jokinainen / River Woman (Reijo Kela)
2011 Here to Stay (Yli-Maunula, Monteros, Mochniej, Huitila), Flow Productions, Jojo and W&MPhysical Theatre from Canada
2011 Svartisen (Yli-Maunula & Jäntti), Flow Productions & Jojo
2011 Lost City Presents: Experience park Turku 2011, Flow Productions & Turku 2011
2011 Karsikko (Yli-Maunula & Court), Flow Productions
2012 Juhannusmorsian ja hääväki (Reijo Kela), premiere in Karesuvanto in June
2012 Contacts (a solo to the music of Nando Russo, comissioned by Oulunsalo Chamber Music festival)
2012 Kuvittelen, että luulen (a piece for children in collaboration with music duo Soiva Siili)
2012 Map of Scars (Johanna Tuukkanen), ITAK, Kuopio
2013 Whispers by the pearly gates (Solveig Leinan-Hermo), Stellaris DanceTheatre, Norway
2013 Susurro (Yli-Maunula), Flow Productions
2013 Scars – Breaking the Barriers of Intimacy (William Petit & Pirjo Yli-Maunula)

DANCER AND/OR CHOREOGRAPHER IN THEATRE

1979 Alice in Wonderland (dir. Pentti Pesä /Oulun city theatre, chor. Leena Ortola), dancer
1981 Tuhopolttajat (dir. Markus Packalén / Oulu city theatre, co-chor. with Paula Tuovinen, dancer
1981 Joacim Murietan Uhma ja Kuolema (dir. Pentti Pesä / Oulun Työväen näyttämö), choreographer
1982 Panttivanki (dir. Pentti Pesä/ Oulu city theatre, chor. Arja Pessa), dancer
1982 Lintu Sininen (dir. Leena Salonen/ Oulu city theatre), choreographer & dancer
1983- 86 Mustalaisruhtinatar (dir. Markus Packalén/ Oulu City Theatre, chor. Ruth Matso), dancer
1985 Kalevala (dir. Timo Salonen, chor. Ruth Matso / Oulu City Theatre, dancer
1986 Viidakkokirja (dir. Pentti Pesä/ Oulu City theatre, chor. Paula Tuovinen), dancer
1986 Haavikko: Ratsumies (dir. Lasse Lindeman/ Oulu City Theatre, choreographer & dancer
1987 Pitkät Jäähyväiset (dir. Pentti Pesä / Kuopio City Theatre), choreographer & dancer
1987 Me Pommittajat (dir. Jari Juutinen / Oulu Student Theatre, choreographer
1995 Guys and Dolls (dir. Petri Lehtinen / TTT), choreographer
1996 Slapovskin Kirsikkapuistikko (dir. Kimmo Kahra/ Oulu city theatre, consultation in movement
1999 Fedja Setä ja Täti Tamara (dir. Tiina Puumalainen/ Oulu City Theatre), choreographer

TV, MOVIES, MUSIC VIDEOS JA SHORT MOVIES

1994 Hautomo (Tv- documentary of a working process of making choreography)
1996 H.Y.V.Ä., Men Choir Screaming Men, music video, choreographer
1997 Duracell Women goes groovy (dir. Kimmo Leed), dance video, dancer (chor. Merja Satulehto)
2001 Rölli ja metsänhenki – a feature film for children (dir. Olli Saarela), choreographer, actor
2003 / 2004 Sahara (dir. Kimmo Koskela, chor. Alpo Aaltokoski), tv- version of a dance piece
2014 Smäidä, dancer in the music video for the band Radiopuhelimet, dir. Juha Penttinen

AWARDS AND GRANTS

1998-2000 3- year artist grant, Oulu Regional Arts Council
2001-2005 5- year artist grant, Arts Council of Finland
2005 Oulu Cultural Recognition Award
2008 The Union of Finnish Dance Artists, Commendable Achievement For Dance Award
2009 2-year artist grant, Oulu Regional Arts Council
2011 Artist of the Year in Oulu (award and a grant)
2011 1-year artist grant, Finnish Arts Council for Dance
2012 1-year artist grant, Finnish Cultural Foundation
2014-18 5-year Artist Professor grant

POSITIONS OF TRUST

1989- 93 ja 1999- 2001 The Union of Finnish Dance Artists, board member
2001- 03 The Finnish National Council for Dance, chairwoman
2014-15 Member of the board, Finnish Circus INformation Centre

OTHER

Member of The Union of Finnish Dance Artists since 1983.

Co-Founder

1982 Oulu Dance Studio (a dance school and a dance company)
1987 Arktiset Askeleet event
1991 Dance teacher program at Oulu Conservatory
1994 Dance Abundance festival
1998 JoJo – Oulu Dance Centre
2003 Pohjois-Karjalan Tanssitaiteen Tuki ry
2006 Flow Productions