

*LARU15 Human Era – Nordic Environmental Art Exhibition* is an international art project that takes place at an environmentally protected shoreline area in the district of Lauttasaari in Helsinki from 30.8.–4.10.2015. It is organised by LARU ART, an Helsinki-based artist-driven non-profit organisation. Operational since 2005, LARU ART produces international environmental art events in which media art and performance art have both featured prominently. To celebrate its first decade in 2015, LARU ART organises a three-day Nordic festival, LARU15. The opening ceremony of the festival is on Saturday 29 August. The festival programme includes a panel discussion on environment art, an evening of performance art, and an evening of video art. The anniversary year started with Landscape – Metropolis – Finland, Irland, Berlin – exhibition, which was organized in collaboration with other organizations.

**PARTICIPATING ARTISTS** Riikka Aresalo, Annette Arlander, Martin Binder, Sahar Burhan, Benedicte Clementsen, Juli Foos, Ingrid Furre, Saad Hajo, Lise Haurum Chirstensen, Ipe Heinonen, Heli Hietala, Sofia Hultin, Ingela Ihrman, Pauliina Jokela, Sanna Karlsson-Sutisna & Company (Sibiry Konate, Tiina Mankki, Cheick Cissokho, Issiaka Demebele, Lassina Ouattara), Anna Kinbom, Kaisu Koivisto, Anna-Lea Kopperi, Juha Sven Korhonen, Kristiina Ljokkoi, Oakalo Group (Suvi Ermilä, Pia Grüter, Riikka Keränen, Emilio Zamudio Murillo, Pia Lindman, Niko Nurmi), Leena Mäki-Patola, Eeva-Liisa Puhakka, Tomas de Rita, Otto Santala, Anna el Solh and Ósk Wilhjálmsdóttir.

**CONCEPT** The theme of the exhibition, *Human Era*, seeks to explicate and expand upon the complex network of relationships between humanity, the built environment, and nature. The age in which we live may justifiably be called the *Human Era*. Humanity is affecting the Earth on a scale comparable to the forces of nature. What is the individual's role and responsibility in this compared to the power of the entire species?

**PROGRAMME 29.8–31.8.**

LARU15 opening ceremony on Sat 29.8. at 14.00–20:30. Guided tours and performances by Sanna Karlsson-Sutisna & Company, Sofia Hultin, Lise Haurum Christensen, Anna Kinbom, and Annette Arlander. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1033718479971769/>

Discussion panel on environmental art on Sun 30.8. from 12.00–16.00 at Verkkovaja in Vartiosaari (bus nr. 89 from Herttoniemi, connection by rowboat from Reposalmi.) <https://www.facebook.com/events/767816993329975/>

An evening of performance art on Sun 30.8. from 18.00–21.00 at Verkkovaja in Vartiosaari (bus nr. 89 from Herttoniemi, connection by rowboat from Reposalmi.) <https://www.facebook.com/events/742784165831715/>

An evening of video art, satire and closing ceremony on Mon 31.8. from 18.00–22.00 at MUU Gallery, Lönnrotinkatu 33, Helsinki. <https://www.facebook.com/events/901490586597138/>

Guided tours of the exhibition and performances start at the Särkiniemi beach on Sunday 20.9. at 14.00 hours and on 4.10. at 18.00 hours. Enquiries Ipe Heinonen +358 400 432 745.

**TRANSPORT AND SIGNAGE** Busses 21V, 65A, 66A. The google maps link: <https://www.google.fi/maps/place/Särkiniemi,+00210+Helsinki/@60.1478572,24.8770907,15z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x46920af690160d5f:0xb7f2316a8d38c54c>. There are LARU ART signs that point the way to the shoreline exhibition area. Look for signs at the last bus stop on Itälahdenkatu and at the end of Särkiniementie road. Information tags are mounted on trees near the artworks. The exhibition is open around the clock.

**MORE INFORMATION** [www.laruart.com](http://www.laruart.com)

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