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Circus/Dance artist, Choreographer

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Education Circus/ Dance

2015 Suzuki ja Viewpoint workshop-J.Ed Araiza

2009 Workshop-Wim Vandekeybus

2005-2008 Danshögskolan Stockholm, BA Circus. DOCH

2004 Tanssivintti

2003 - 04 Finnish National opera

1996 - 03 Vantaan Dance school: contemporary dance, jazz and balett.

1997 - 98 Helsinki ice skating.

1995 - 96 contemporary dance in Raatikko. Languages: Swedish, Finnish, English, a bit Danish:)

hobbies: Juggling, Swimming, food making.

Work dancer/acrobat/actor/choreographer:

2025 Wintercircus- Film, premier 10.12. Dance theater Hurjaruuth, Circus direction.

2025 Durable, premier at Koko Teatteri 27.8.

2025 Land of dreams, premier at Rectors palace Dubrovnik 9.6.

2024-2025 working on upcoming projects.

2024 Bits and Pieces, Premier at Le petit festival Hanko 24.8.2024

2024 1st. place at Majestic Dance Tournament, Brighton, UK. Professional Exhibition Dance.

2023 Music video Cry, Axel Thesleff, dance and choreography. Out March 2024.

2023 Sivuhenkilöt- Luukamari, premier 14.11. Cirko, dir. Jyrki Karttunen.

2023 Ronja Rövardotter, Svenska teatern, Circus choreography and circus artist.

2023 GLG- movie, Lumikinos production& PerfHel. 31.7-5.8.23.Espoon louhisali and Cirko.

2023 Ricky Rapper & wild machine- movie- choreography

2023 GLG(modified)- Salo sirkus-Festivaali 27.7.22. Keravan Sirkusmarkkinat 10.9.22, Kajaani

Dance Festival 4.2.23. Hanko-Le Petit festival 28.8.23. Perfhel Helsinki 1.9.23.

2022 GLG, Premier 2.3.2022 Helsinki City theater. Hämeenlinna tehdas tanssii 6.8.2022.

Stoa, Helsinki 27.-28.1.2023. Flowsirkus, Oulu 7.-9.12.23.

2020-2022 RISA-Friction, Premier 2.12.2020. Reykjavik Fringe-festival 8.7.2021. Plartforma

Lithuania 14.10.2022

2022 Momentum- Le Petit Festival Hanko

2022 Small bits of GLG, Salo Circus-Festival, Keravan Sirkusmarkkinat
2022 RISA-partnering workshop Salo Circus- Festival.
2022 Samu Haber- Music video
2022 Risto Räppääjä ja villi kone Movie- Choreography
2021 TangoNyky duet-evening, House of music -Helsinki. RISA own work- Momentum.
2021 Myllyteatteri- Master and Margarita
2021 Stage-Cirkon Summer Cabare, RISA own number.
2021 Perto, Company Portmanteu. premier 20.8.2021. Liettua 24.9.2021
2021 RISA- Workshop, Tehdas tanssii-festival.
2020 Myllyteatteri- Woland`s merry company
2020 RISA-partnering workshop.
2019 Agit Cirk- 2+2+2, Contemporary circus performance
2019 Sivuhenkilöt- Mun siivet ei mahdu kahvihuoneeseen. Premier Helsinki Festival.
2019 RISA at Amos Rex- museum
2019 Risto Räppääjä ja väärä Vincent-movie
2019 RISA-Pairacro workshop In Turku for Dansart ry.
2018 Risto Räppääjä ja pullisteliija-movie
2018 RISA- Demo, 3-4.8. Theater Avoimet ovet.
2018 Iiro Rantalas composed opera trailer- Equal game
2018 Turku city theater- Varissuo
2018-19 Matchbox Company- Prinssi Rei, kanneltalo, malmitalo, Caisa ja Stoa.
2017 Danske Bank-commercial.
2017 Eläin ihmiset (työnimi), art-movie dir. Ainu Palmu.
2017 Myllyteatteri- Kolga. Milano Teresa Pomodoro –competition winner, Irland Feile na Bealtaine –festival.
2017- Race Horse Company- Urbotek, circus now New York.
2016 Flow festival, Agit Cirk ja ricky tick band.
2016 Akanvirtaa, performance. comp. Timothy Page, players: Lauri Sallinen, Henrik Sandås
2016 pas de 2, danceacro duet with Riia Kivimäki Silence festival. Composer: Oyvind Maeland, musicians Lauri Sallinen, Henrik Sandås.
2016 Matchbox company- Sigurd Ring
2016- Sidekick-newcircus, Suomenlinna, Silence festival, Tampere Theater summer, outlaws festival. dir. Alma Lehmuskallio.
2015-16 Finnish National Opera-Die nase, Thais, Phantom of the Opera
2015- Agit Cirk- Sceno.
2014-15 Uniq entertainment – Show, gigs and choreography
2014 Swedish Theater in Finland - i sista minuten, Choreography.
2013 Tampere työväenteatteri- kulkuri

2012 Tampere työväenteatteri- LIZ
 2011 Helsinki city theater - katri helena
 2011 Dance theater Hurjaruuth- kiljuset
 2010 Swedish Theater in Finland - Jail Break
 2010 Helsinki city theater - Wicked
 2009 Yle- "mutsis oli apina" -Tv-show
 2009 Swedish Theater in Finland - Playme (dir. Maria Sid)
 2009 Martinus Sali- Gaala for the day of dance, own solo, Have to get my duck`s in a row first
 2008 Dance theater Hurjaruuth – Winter circus light (dir. Arja Pettersson)
 2008 Galleria Jangva- own solo night of the arts, Have to get my duck`s in a row first
 2008 Cirko-Festival for contemporary circus- own solo, Have to get my duck`s in a row first
 2007 City hall, Ruotsi tukholma (kor.Efva Lilja)
 2007 we implicate and complicate (kor. Ana- sanches Collberg.)
 2007 musicvideo, Maja Hirosawa
 2007 tv-commercial TV4 Sweden
 2006 Momo, Stockholm city theater/Cirkus Cirkör.
 2006 Clowns without borders, Jordanien
 2006 Winter cirkus Snow, Parco della musica Roma, Tanssiteatteri
 2005-12 Ovi-kaksi klovnia pulassa-Dance theater Hurjaruuth, Romania, Turkey, India
 2005 Kuinka kummaa kaikkialla, Dance theater Hurjaruuth (dir. Arja Pettersson) 2004
 2004-05 Dance theater Hurjaruuth: Winte circus laughter
 2003 Swedish Theater in Finland: My Fair Lady (kor: Reija Wäre)
 2003 Finnish National Ballet : Romeo ja Julia (Cranko), Kansallisbaletti
 2001 Finnish National Ballet: Bajadääri, (Petipa/Makarova)
 2001 Helsinki city theater: Stadin Friidu, (kor: Ari Numminen)
 1999 Finnish National Ballet: Ruusunen

Upcoming projects:

2025 Durables
 2026 Only Bones 2.0
 2026 Cyrophone
 2026 Junkyards- Photo exhibition

Discipline, skills, area of expertise:

Acrobatics, Pairacro, acting, dance, partnering, choreography, Roue Cyr.