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Alena Abitova / Museum of Nature and Man, Khanty-Mansiysk.

THE MUSEUMS OF LAPPEENRANTA

2019



THE CAVALRY MUSEUM

Kristiinankatu 2,
The Fortress of Lappeenranta
Tel. +358 5 616 2257
Tel. +358 40 587 2274

OPENING HOURS

Summer season Mon–Fri 10 am–6 pm
Sat–Sun 11 am–5 pm

The Cavalry Museum is closed
Midsummer 21–22 June

Other times open by reservation

ADMISSION

Combination ticket to Fortress Museums

- adults €10
- pensioners, students, unemployed, groups/ person (min. 10 people) €8
- under 18 years of age: free of charge

The Cavalry Museum is located in the oldest building in Lappeenranta, built in 1772 as a guardhouse in the southernmost part of the fortification. Turned into the Cavalry Museum in 1973, the building has been under renovation for the last few years, during which it has been restored with care and respect for its long history. The exhibition opening in the summer of 2019, on the other hand, has been entirely modernised to meet the needs of today's visitors. It displays the history of the Finnish cavalry in a broader and more varied way than ever before. Narratives play a significant role in the exhibition. On display, you will see articles relating to the cavalry from both times of war and peace, not forgetting the cavalryman's best friend, the horse. The Cavalry Museum offers a fascinating and informative museum experience, detailing the chapters in the history of the Finnish cavalry.



Carl Wahlbom, Death of King Gustav II Adolf of Sweden at the Battle of Lützen on the 6th of November 1632, 1855. Nationalmuseum, Sweden. Photo: Erik Cornelius.

SOUTH KARELIA MUSEUM

Kristiinankatu 15,
The Fortress of Lappeenranta
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OPENING HOURS

Winter season:

2 Jan–9 June and 26 Aug–30 Dec
Tues–Sun 11 am–5 pm

Summer season: 10 June–25 Aug

Mon–Fri 10 am–6 pm
Sat–Sun 11 am–5 pm

South Karelia Museum is closed

1 January, Easter 19–22 April
May Day 30 April–1 May
Ascension 30 May
Midsummer 21–22 June
Independence Day 6 December
Christmas 23–26, 31 December

ADMISSION

Combination ticket to Fortress Museums
• adults €10
• pensioners, students, unemployed, groups/ person (min. 10 people) €8
• under 18 years of age: free of charge

Free admission to South Karelia Museum
1–12 April, 30 September–18 October
Permanent exhibition

Free admission on Museum Fridays

Spring season:

4 Jan, 1 Feb, 1 Mar, 5 Apr, 3 May

Autumn season:

6 Sep, 4 Oct, 1 Nov, 13 Dec

The Museum Shop is open during the museum's opening hours.



South Karelia Museum is located at the northernmost tip of the Fortress of Lappeenranta in a warehouse that was originally built as an artillery depot. The museum buildings are different from the neoclassical brick garrisons of the fortress, as they were constructed using local stone.

The permanent exhibition, **On the Border – Three Karelian Cities** relates the central chapters in the history of Lappeenranta, Viipuri (Vyborg), and Käkisalmi (Priozersk), which has been affected by their location along accessible routes on the border of East and West. Like many border towns, multiculturalism has been the defining aspect of these three cities as well. As *On the Border* is a large permanent exhibition, it offers things to see and learn for more than just one museum visit.

There is also a **miniature model of the town of Viipuri** in the permanent exhibition. It presents Viipuri as it was on September 2, 1939. There are films about the life in Lappeenranta, Viipuri, and Käkisalmi in the museum's little cinema. The aim of the exhibition is to provide information and experiences concerning the history of South Karelia for all ages. There is also a mini exhibition for children and a play area with Pekka-barge.

The collections of South Karelia Museum include objects and photographs from Lappeenranta and the rest of the South Karelia region, as well from the Karelian Isthmus that is now part of Russia. The Collections are showcased both in temporary and permanent exhibitions. In addition to exhibitions, the South Karelia Museum organizes guided tours, various events and workshops.

–31 March 2019

Courageous. Timeless. Genuine.
Finland's most beloved jewellery turns 80

The Kalevala Jewelry exhibition highlights the company's role in Finnish society over the decades. The exhibition is built around six different themes in six different exhibition spaces: Kalevala Jewelry is born of women's courage, Finnish handicrafts and cutting edge technology, Modern jewellery and fashion, Open-minded collaboration, Making values a reality, and Creating the future.

The exhibition was designed and realised by Kalevala Jewelry's own working group. The exhibition was shown in 2017 in Oulu, Jyväskylä, Kuopio, Helsinki and Rovaniemi.



The puddle girl. Design by Kirsti Doukas and Kim Simonsson.
Photo: Teemu Töyrylä.

13 April–29 September 2019

The Holy Dog Cape. The stories and culture of the Siberian indigenous peoples from Khanty-Mansiysk

Implemented in collaboration with the Museum of Nature and Man in Khanty-Mansiysk, this exhibition presents the ancient stories and culture of the Finno-Ugric Khanty people. This ethnological exhibition offers a unique opportunity to learn about the Khanty, their artefacts and culture and features fascinating stories about the link between humans, animals and nature. Together with the original articles of the Khanty, the stories of the Holy Dog Cape, the Island of Seven Bears and the War of Animals and Birds allow you to delve into the unique history of the Ob-Ugrian peoples' history, life and mythology.



Alena Abitova / Museum of Nature and Man, Khanty-Mansiysk.



Photo: Museum of Nature and Man, Khanty-Mansiysk.

13 April–29 September 2019

SACRED GROVE

Notable sites of ancient relics in South Karelia

Many relics are linked to the beliefs and world views of the people who owned and used them. The sacred sites of ancient Finns include sacrificial trees, stones, rocks and springs, as well as large stones with small man-made holes and sacred groves. At such sacred sites, the ancient people paid tribute to guardian spirits belonging to that particular site, or the deceased, and asked more powerful forces than themselves for help in exchange for a small offering. Respect is a good principle to follow even today when visiting such sites. At the exhibition, you can learn about ancient hillforts, cemeteries and large stones with small man-made holes by also listening to sounds from the past.



The Kuivaketvele Hillfort towers proudly over its surroundings in Taipalsaari.

19 October 2019–8 March 2020

It was nice to see you, we hope you'll come again
Photographs from Lappeenranta since the 1950s

Organised to celebrate Lappeenranta's 370 years, this exhibition offers fascinating insights into life in the city in the second half of the 20th century. This photography exhibition shows how street corners well known to Lappeenranta residents have changed and what everyday life was like in the city a few decades ago. How people lived, studied, worked and spent their free time. Familiar subjects that many of us still remember. The topics of this life-affirming exhibition were selected in collaboration with the museum volunteers.



Kirkkokatu in Lappeenranta in the 1970s. Photo: Aarne Mikonsaari.



LAPPEENRANTA ART MUSEUM

Kristiinankatu 8-10,
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OPENING HOURS

Winter season:

2 Jan–9 June and 26 Aug–30 Dec

Tues–Sun 11 am–5 pm

Summer season: 10 June–25 Aug

Mon–Fri 10 am–6 pm

Sat–Sun 11 am–5 pm

The Museum Shop Sulotar is open during the opening hours of the museum.



Lappeenranta Art Museum is closed

1 January

change of exhibition 7–18 January

Easter 19–22 April

change of exhibition 29 Apr–17 May

Ascension 30 May

Midsummer 21–22 June

change of exhibition 4–15 November

Independence Day 6 December

Christmas 23–26 December

31 December

ADMISSION

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- under 18 years of age: free of charge

Free admission on Museum Fridays

Spring season:

4 Jan, 1 Feb, 1 Mar, 5 Apr

Autumn season:

6 Sep, 4 Oct, 1 Nov, 13 Dec

Lappeenranta Art Museum is located in the Fortress of Lappeenranta in yellow neoclassical barracks opposite the Orthodox Church. These yellow barracks were built in 1798. Lappeenranta Art Museum is the Regional Art Museum of South-Eastern Finland.

The museum collection is primarily composed of Finnish art from the 19th century to present day. One large and important collection is the collection by Viipurin Taiteenystävät ry (Vyborg Friends of Art). The art from South-Eastern Finland is one of the main focuses in the acquisitions of the museum.

The exhibition program of the art museum presents a versatile overview of artistic phenomena. The main focus is on Finnish contemporary art, but the history of art is displayed regularly too. One of the museum's priorities is to showcase art from South-Eastern Finland, but every now and then international exhibitions are arranged as well. In addition to temporary exhibitions, the Art Museum offers supplementary programmes, such as guided tours, events and workshops. Together the museums of Lappeenranta organize a customer panel and a museum club.

–6 January 2019 Sirpa Hynninen and Vesa Ville Saarinen

19 January –

28 April 2019

Fresh Paint in

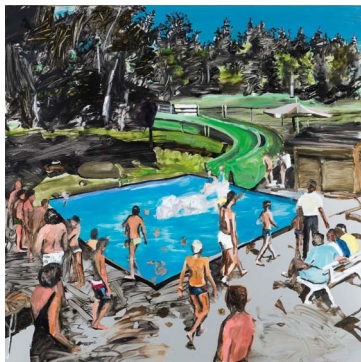
Lappeenranta

– The 90th Anniversary

Exhibition of the

Finnish Painters' Union

In 2019, the Finnish Painters' Union turns 90, which is a cause for celebration throughout the country. Fresh Paint in Lappeenranta – The 90th Anniversary Exhibition of the Finnish Painters' Union continues the series of jubilee exhibitions at the Lappeenranta Art Museum. The jubilee year was launched in the autumn of 2018 at the Lahti Art Museum with Fresh Paint in Lahti – The 90th Anniversary Exhibition of the Finnish Painters' Union. The Lahti exhibition included works from 20 artists and in Lappeenranta 24 artists are featured.



Erika Adamsson, Before the Rain, 2017.

Photo: Pekko Vasantola.



Paula Ollikainen, Motel, 2018. Photo: Paula Ollikainen.



Mari Rantanen, There is a crack in everything that is how light comes in #3, 2017.

Photo: Jean-Baptiste Beranger.



Riikka Lenkkeri, Sleeping Couple, 2018.

Photo: Malla Hukkanen.

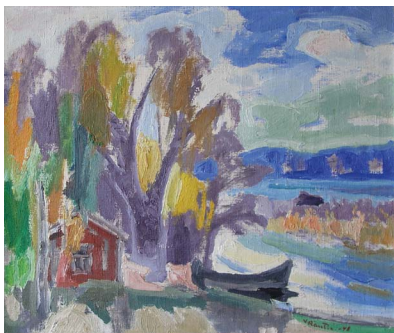
18 May –
3 November 2019

Väinö Rautio.
A retrospective
exhibition of the
Vyborg-born artist

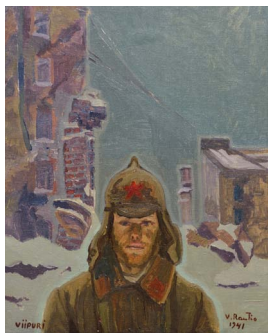


Väinö Rautio, Self-portrait, 1928.

In 2019, 125 years have passed since the artist Väinö Rautio's birth in Vyborg. Lappeenranta Art Museum has put together a retrospective exhibition of the artist's work, comprising works from the museum's own collection and from private collections. After the war, Rautio lived and worked in South Karelia and in 1945 participated in the founding of the association Lappeenrannan Taiteenystävät (Lappeenranta Friends of Art) and its drawing school where he also taught. Rautio built an atelier at his summer cottage on the island of Paimensaari in Savitaipale in 1948. He is known as a versatile painter of landscapes, still lifes, portraits and self-portraits. The works he painted in his birth town Vyborg during the Interim Peace after the Winter War and before the Continuation War form a fascinating series.



Väinö Rautio, Landscape in Savitaipale, 1948.
The Kirpilä Art Collection / Finnish Cultural Foundation.



Väinö Rautio, Prisoner of War in Vyborg,
1941.

18 May–3 November 2019 On the shore of Lake Saimaa

An exhibition to celebrate 370 years of Lappeenranta has been compiled from the collections of the Lappeenranta Art Museum. The exhibition focuses mainly on the city's landscapes.



Helvi Harma-Pajunen,
Lappeenranta as It Was,
1949.

18 May–15 September 2019

Watch out

Cityscapes by the pupils of Lappeenranta Art School

The works by the pupils of the Lappeenranta Art School were inspired by the city's architecture and Lake Saimaa. The exhibition is part of the Lappeenranta 370 celebrations.

16 November 2019 –
9 February 2020

DIMENSIO

The Dimensio association gave its first exhibition in Tampere in 1972. Since then, this group which, in new ways, explores technology, technical sciences, natural phenomena and much more in its art has arranged several exhibitions all over Finland and abroad. In Lappeenranta, you have the opportunity to see some of the newest works from the group's artists.



Lars Holmström, Recta 7, 2017.

GREEN WAREHOUSE

4 June–4 August 2019 Museum of feelings – people in Rauha

The exhibition illustrates the story of the Rauha psychiatric hospital's community and people by approaching the local history of mental health via memories and feelings. The team includes photographers Hanna Koikkalainen and Marleena Liikkanen and scriptwriter Anu Huttunen.

16 August–15 September 2019 Ludwig Heinrich von Nicolay – President of the St. Petersburg Academy of Sciences. Park Monrepos exhibition.

THE WOLKOFF HOUSE MUSEUM

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OPENING HOURS

Winter season:

2 Mar–9 June and 26 Aug–5 Dec

Sat–Sun 11 am–5 pm

Summer season:

10 June–25 Aug

Mon–Fri 10 am–6 pm

Sat–Sun 11 am–5 pm

The Wolkoff House Museum is closed

1 January, 7 January–1 March

Midsummer 21–22 June

Independence Day 6 December

Christmas 23–26, 31 December

Other times open on request

Reservations Tel. +358 40 587 2274

- Dramatized tours
- School and kindergarten groups

ADMISSION

- adults €9
- pensioners, students, unemployed, groups/ person (min. 10 people) €8
- under 18 years of age: free of charge



The merchant house known as Wolkoff House was built by businessman Jacob Claudelin in 1826. The wing on Aioninkatu was completed in 1905.

Ivan Wolkoff (1827–1900), originally from Yaroslavl, arrived in Lappeenranta in the 1840s. He began his career as a gardener, butcher and merchant. Ivan was later awarded the rights of a Finnish citizen and merchant. Ivan and his wife, Lyubov, had 10 children, and their sons, Mikhail and Nikolai, carried on their father's business. Nikolai lived in the house on Kauppakatu with Maria, his wife from St Petersburg, and their children, Johannes and Anna.

Johannes studied agronomy and was responsible for looking after the garden and farms. He lived in the house of his birth with his wife Martta and their five children. Anna studied languages and graduated with a master's degree. After marrying, she lived in Imatra. When Anna's husband, Väinö Nissinen, died in a train accident, Anna Wolkoff-Nissinen moved back to her childhood home on Kauppakatu. In 1946, she was awarded a tenure at the Lappeenranta Lyceum. She is remembered as a legendary teacher of German and Russian.

The Wolkoff House was a family home for four generations. The heirs decided to donate it for use as a museum in 1986. The house was inaugurated as a museum in 1993.

Entrance on guided tours that start from the Wolkoff Museum shop:



Tours are in Finnish, audio tours in Russian and in English

Times

10:00 on summer weekdays

11:00

12:00

13:00

14:00

15:00

16:00

17:00 on summer weekdays



In Russian and English only during summer
10 June–25 Aug

10:30 on summer weekdays

11:30

12:30

13:30

14:30

15:30

16:30 on summer weekdays



in connection with the Wolkoff House Museum, there is a small Wolkoff Museum Shop.



Easter at the Wolkoff House

Opening hours

Sat 13 Apr.–Sun 14 Apr. 2019
 Tue 16 Apr.–Thu 18 Apr. 2019
 Sat 20 Apr.–Sun 21 Apr. 2019

Easter tours at the museum
 at 12pm, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm
 shop open 11am–5pm



The Wolkoff museum is decorated for Easter in accordance with the family's traditions. Easter is the most important celebration in the Orthodox Church's calendar – at this time of year, the tables in the hall were set with Easter delicacies, paschas, babkas and kulichs. The iconic decorative eggs and willow branches blessed by the church remained in place until the end of Easter, on Ascension Thursday.

Christmas at the Wolkoff House

Opening hours

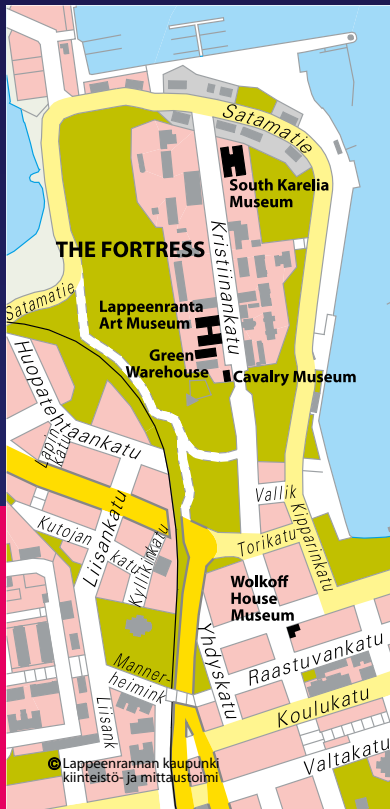
Tue 10 Dec.–Sun 15 Dec. 2019
 Tue 17 Dec.–Sun 22 Dec. 2019
 Fri 27 Dec.–Sun 29 Dec. 2019
 Thu 2 Jan.–Sun 5 Jan. 2020

Christmas tours at the museum
 at 12pm, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm
 shop open 11am–5pm



Wolkoff Christmas shop open also Sat 7 Dec.–Sun 8 Dec. 2019

Christmas will be celebrated at the Wolkoff Museum in the style of Johannes Wolkoff's family. The dining room is decorated with a Christmas tree reaching all the way up to the ceiling, as well as baskets of flowers received as Christmas gifts. The amaryllises grown by Martta Wolkoff are also part of the atmosphere. The family celebrated Christmas Eve in the Finnish way, although the traditions of the Orthodox Church calendar were otherwise strictly adhered to.



MUSEUM ADMINISTRATION

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- Guided tour reservations for groups
- Renting of premises



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www.lappeenranta.fi/museot



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lappeenrannanmuseot.finna.fi

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tarinasoitin.fi/linnoituskierrros
- South Karelian Museum Portal:
www.etelakarjalanmuseot.fi
- Museum shop Sulotar:
www.linnoituksenpuodit.fi

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