



JOHANNA KEINÄNEN

PERFORMER-WRITER-DIRECTOR

PROFILE

I am a hybrid: a dance artist, screenplay writer, performer and implementor - a seeker of clashes and interactions. I write comical pieces for myself and others to perform. My aim is to be merciful in the ruthless art of humour. What is essential to me is rhythm, what's necessary is communicativeness.

SKILLS

As a director the aim is providing multi-sensory experiences, combinations of dance, theatre, music and perhaps food and drink. I wish to offer the viewer joy, light and intellect.

As a performer I have an awareness of comedy and rhythm, and I will fearlessly throw myself into team work.

As a choreographer the power of dance lies within rhythm, the ensemble and their individual ways of movement.

HOW TO REACH ME

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BACKGROUND & STUDIES

I graduated as a teacher of modern and creative dance from the Conservatory of Kuopio 1991 and continued my MA studies in the Dance Department of Theatre Academy of Helsinki 1997-2000.

I worked in Dance Theatre Minimi years 1991-2006 as a dancer, choreographer and a writer. Since 2006 I have worked as a free lance artist.

As a dancer I have performed widely in different festivals in Europe, Japan and USA. I also perform physical stand up comedy in English. Body Language Zone, dance short film co-made with Kim Saarinen, has been performed and awarded widely.

AWARDS & FESTIVAL PERFORMANCES

Best Film by Jury - Stories We Dance, Italy 2017
Best Film - First-Time Filmmakers Showcase, UK 2017
Moviezone Go Short Award - Go Short - International Short Film Festival Nijmegen 2016, Holland
Best of Show / Best Editing / Excellence / Lead Actress (Depth of Field - International Film Festival Competition 2016, USA
Best Performance - Video Dance International Competition of the Inshadow Festival Portugal, 2016
Award of Merit for individual achievement in Acting to Johanna Keinänen - Southern Shorts Awards USA 2016
Portland Dance Film Fest - USA 2017
FIC Autor, Festival International de Cine Autor - Mexico 2017
Shorts on Tap - London UK 2017
FRAME - The London Dance Film Festival / screendance2016 competition -UK 2016
San Francisco Dance Film Festival - USA 2016
Third Coast Dance Film Festival - USA 2015/2016
Cinedans - Dance on Screen Festival - Holland 2016
Utah Dance Film Festival - USA 2016
Loikka Dance Film Festival (Finland 2016)
The Best of Festival - International Short Films - France 2016
Depth of Field International Film Festival -USA 2016
Defy Film Festival - USA 2016
Los Angeles CineFest - USA 2016
IndieWise Free Virtual Festival - USA 2016
Award - Independent Film Festival & Screenplay Contest - USA 2016