Curriculum Vitae: Oskari Sipola

born 10. March 1984, Helsinki, Finland

Education

Santahamina elementary, Alppila junior high school

Ressu upper secondary school 2000-2003 Matriculation Examination, spring 2003 Diplomas in Theatre and Arts

Aalto University, School of Art and Design 2006-2012 ELO Film School

Majoring in Directing for Film and Television Graduated Bachelor of Arts, spring 2010 Graduated Master of Arts, spring 2012



Filmography

The More Loving One (2025), Helsinki-filmi (feature, 101min)

The Darkness Moment (2016), Welhofilmi (short, 25min)

Helsinki International Film Festival Love & Anarchy 2016, Tampere International Film Festival 2017 (in competition), Kettupäivät Helsinki Short Film Festival 2017 (in competition)

Urban Family (2015), Pohjola-filmi (feature, 105min)

Sodankylä Midnight Sun Film Festival 2015 (special program), Blue Sea Film Festival 2015, Helsinki International Film Festival Love & Anarchy 2015 (special program) PÖFF Tallinn International Film Festival 2015 (special program), Ny Finsk Film 2016, NOVA Fest Artist Circle 2016, Soho International Film Festival 2016 (in competition), European Union Film Festival India 2016, Paralel Vision Festival Belgrad, Chicago International Film Festival 2016 (special program), Juniorfest 2016

Male Behavior (2011), Bronson Club / KOMIA Helsinki (short, 7min)

Tampere International Film Festival 2012 (special program), Leiden International Short Film Experience 2012 (in competition), Helsinki International Film Festival Love & Anarchy 2012 Helsinki Short Film Festival 2012 (in competition)

August (2011), Bronson Club (feature, 110min)

Midnight Sun Film Festival 2011, Blue Sea Film Festival 2011, Nordic Talents 2011 Copenhagen, Helsinki International Film Festival Love & Anarchy 2011, Finnish Film Days Stockholm, 41st Molodist International Film Festival Kyiv, 53rd Nordic Film Days Lübeck (youth series): won Special Mention, Oulu International Children and Youth Film Festival 2011, Tallinn Black Nights International Film Festival (Just Film): won Just Film Grand Prix, St. Petersburg XXII Finnish Film Week, 34th Starz Denver Film Festival, Arctic Fury Festival Rovaniemi 2011, 28th Saarijärvi Film Week, Moscow Finnish Film Week 2012, Northzone Festival Berlin 2012, Kristiansand International Children's Film Festival 2012, Vologda Independent European Cinema Festival 2012

Yours the Rest of My Life (2010), Independent Production (short, 16min)

Our Little Brother (2009), Bronson Club/Solar Films (short, 27min)

Tampere International Film Festival 2010 (domestic competition), Fest-O-Rama Kinoklubi Cannes Film Festival (Short Film Corner) 2010

Wings and Teeth (2009), ELO Film School Helsinki (short, 30min)

Tel Aviv International Student Film Festival 2010 (in competition), 8th Balchik International Short Film Festival (in competition), Fresh Film Festival Prague (special program), Helsinki International Film Festival Love & Anarchy 2010 (special program), Písek International Student Film Festival 2010 won Grand Prix, Eesti XII Filmipäevad (student program), Sleepwalkers Short Film Festival 2010 (special program)

Enemies Within (2009), First Floor Productions (short, 30min)

Nordisk Panorama 2009 - New Nordic Voices (in competition), Uppsala International Film Festival (special program), Kettupäivät 2009 (in competition) Giffoni Film Festival 2010

In Between (2008), ELO Film School Helsinki (short, 10min)

Beginning -student film festival 2008: won Best Cinematography, Kettupäivät 2008 (student competition), Blue Sea Film Festival 2008 (in competition), MediaSchool 2008 Poland Film Festival, CineFest Hungary 2009, Lens Politica Political Film Festival 2009, New Finnish Films in Stockholm 2009, Rokumentti Rockfilmfestival 2009, Oulu International Children's and Youth Film Festival 2009, Helsinki International Film Festival Love & Anarchy 2008 (special program)

Extreme Men (2007), ELO Film School Helsinki (short, 2min)

Precious (2007), Independent Production (short, 9min)

Tomorrow (2007), Welhofilmi (short, 24min)

Separate (2005), Welhofilmi (short, 21 min)

Short Film Finnish Championships: won Gold Medal in Youth Series, diploma for the best film in competition, FiSH06 Festival (special program), First Prize in Camera-magazine competition

Miia (2004), Welhofilmi (short, 29min)

Her Name Would Be Kaisa (2003), Welhofilmi (short, 14min)

Clone Digital Film Festival 2003 (in competition)

Boy From the Past (2002), Welhofilmi (short, 47min)

Minun Elokuvani -festival 2003: won Honorary Diploma

Saltwater (2002), Welhofilmi (short, 20min)

StarVision audience favorite, Helsinki Festival Short Film Series, Minun Elokuvani -festival

Let Me Be (2001), Welhofilmi (short, 34min)

Kaarlo's Angels (2001), Welhofilmi (short, 5min)

Surfacing Angel (2001), Welhofilmi (short, 5min)

Misery Loves Company (2000), Welhofilmi (short, 5min)

Television works

Welcome to Texas (2023-2024) Warner Brothers Television Finland / MTV

Head director (season 4)

4 x 40min, Crime series

Bull by the Horns (2021), Welhofilmi / Elisa Viihde

Creator, head writer, producer

8 x 25min, Youth drama series

Shortlisted for Golden Venla for best drama series and best actress, 2021

HasBeen (2018-2019) Welhofilmi / Yle

Creator, head director, head writer, producer

21 x 10-28min, Youth drama series

Shortlisted for Golden Venla (Finnish TV award) for best drama series, 2018

A New Day (2017) 3x30min, Yle Draama

Episode director

3 x 30min, Daily drama series

Märät säpikkäät ("Wet Shoes") (2012-2013) ITV Studios Finland / Yle

Head director

18 x 25min, Comedy/skit series

Nominated for Golden Venla for best comedy series, 2012

Ratkaiseva isku ("The Deciding Strike") (2010) Solar Television / MTV

Episode director

4 x 45min, Crime docufiction series

Commercials, music videos and other directing credits

Minja Koskela municipal and parliamentary election campaign videos (2021+2023) 2x1min Commercials

Juha Itkonen: Minun Amerikkani campaign videos (2017) Imin+4min, Welhofilmi Commercials

Berner: Finland 100 years (2017) 2x30sec, New Dawn

Commercials

- ABB: Joka paikan sähköistäjä (2016) 2min, New Dawn Brand video
- Juha Itkonen: Palatkaa perhoset campaign videos (2016) 12x40sec Commercials
- Johannes Brotherus & Pihla Maalismaa Sammutetaan bensalla tulta (2015) 4min Music video
- Maria Ylipää, Riku Nieminen, Johannes Brotherus & Pihla Maalismaa Ollaan vapaita (2015) 4min Music video
- Elias Kaskinen ja Päivän sankarit Kesä yhdessä (2015) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Erkki Perälä parliamentary campaign videos (2015) 4min+3x15sec Commercials
- Pimeys Nuoruuden kaupunki (2015) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Elias Kaskinen ja Päivän sankarit Aina minä jään (2014) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Olavi Uusivirta ja Pauliina Kokkonen Tuhat vuotta sitten (2013) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Helsingin Sanomat: Tulevaisuusseinä (2013), KOMIA Helsinki Interactive video installation
- Jemina & Selina Sillanpää ja Tim Ries Pedot (2012) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Timo Pieni Huijaus Pleiboi (2012) 4min, KOMIA Helsinki Music video
- Scandinavian Music Group Kaunis Marjaana (2011) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Tiimari: Vappu / Pääsiäinen (2011) 3x30sec, KOMIA Helsinki Commercials
- Timo Pieni Huijaus Jos te vaan seisotte vieres (2011) 3min, KOMIA Helsinki Music/campaign video, won: VOITTO Audience Award for best online campaign
- Olavi Uusivirta ja Anna Järvinen Nuori ja kaunis (2011) 4min, KOMIA Helsinki Music video
- Vapautuspassio ("Liberation Passion") (2010) 110min, ELO Film School Helsinki Live stage multicamera recording
- Poets of the Fall Dreaming Wide Awake (2010) 5min, Spotless Films Music video
- Imehnoke (2009) 74min ELO Helsinki Film School Live stage multicamera recording
- Phoenix Effect King See No Evil (2009) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Phoenix Effect Broken Promises (2008) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video
- Sunrise Avenue Live On the Rocks (2004) 70min, Welhofilmi Live performance multicamera recording
- Chorale Lähdit luotani (2003) 4min, Welhofilmi Music video

Other film & TV credits

- Höyhensarja ("The Featherweights") (2025), Script consultant
 - TV-series, directed by Maria Mononen, produced by Warner Brothers Television Finland
- Pientä laittoa ("Fixer-upper") (2019), Actor ("Amateur poet")
 - TV-series, directed by Lauri Nurkse, produced by Zodiak Finland
- The Unknown Soldier (2017), Casting consultant, Actor ("Military Priest")
 - Feature film, directed by Aku Louhimies, produced by Elokuvaosakeyhtiö Suomi 2017
- Love and Fury (2016), Still photography
 - Feature film, directed by Alli Haapasalo, produced by Solar Films

Off-Key (2015), Actor ("Karaoke contestant")

Feature film, directed by Lauri Nurkse, produced by Fremantle Media

Second Chance (2014), Actor ("Teppo")

TV-series, directed by Lauri Nurkse, produced by Finnish Broadcasting Company

No Thank You (2014), Still photography

Feature film, directed by Samuli Valkama, produced by Kinotar

Robin (2012), Editing & Writing

Feature documentary, directed by Inari Niemi, produced by Solar Films

Psykopoesis (2012), Still photography

Short film, directed by Jarno Elonen, produced by ELO Film School Helsinki

Love and Other Troubles (2012), Still photography, Actor ("Game Show Host")

Feature film, directed by Samuli Valkama, produced by Bronson Club

Naked Harbour (2012), Actor ("Auditioner")

Feature film, directed by Aku Louhimies, produced by First Floor Productions

Nevermind (2011), Cinematography

Episodic film, directed by Sini Pesonen, produced by Theater Nirvana

Loop of Love (2011), Actor ("Kimmo")

Short film, directed by Ilkka Vanne, produced by ELO Film School Helsinki

The Hustlers (2010), Actor ("The Nerd"), trailer editing

Feature film, directed by Lauri Nurkse, produced by Bronson Club

About Marriage (2009), Editing & Color grading

Short documentary/fiction, directed by Mike & Elina Pohjola, produced by Pohjola-Filmi

Forbidden Fruit - making of (2009), Interviews, Editing

Documentary, produced by Helsinki Filmi

CX (2009), First Assistant Director

Short film, directed by Wille Hyvönen, produced by ELO Film School Helsinki

Late Fragments (2009), Data Manager

Short film, directed by Aku Louhimies, produced by Coop Ultravioletti

Tears of April (2008), Assistant to Director

Feature film, directed by Aku Louhimies, produced by Helsinki Filmi

Positions of trust

Film, Television and Production Design Student Union ETL

Vice President 2009-2010

Member of Executive Board 2007-2011

Association of Finnish Film Directors SELO

Student Member of Executive Board, 2008-2011

Member of Executive Board 2012-2016, 2022-2025

Vice President 2014-2016

President 2020-2022

Audiovisual Authors and Performers in Finland AVATE

Member of Executive Board, 2021-

Vice President 2024-

Finnish Film Foundation Advisory Board

Member 2022-

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