

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

University of Art and Design Helsinki 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 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 Film Festival 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 Film Festival 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, 21min)

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)

Other directing credits

Welcome to Texas (2023) 4x40min, Warner Brothers Television Finland & C More
Crime series, 4th season episodes 1, 2, 7 & 8

Minja Koskela municipal and parliamentary election campaign videos (2021+2023) 2x1 min
(Also editing, production) Online campaign videos

HasBeen (2018-2019) 20x10-15min+28min, Welhofilmi & Yle Draama
(Also teleplays, production) VOD-series for young audiences
Shortlisted for *Golden Venla* (Finnish TV award) for best drama series, 2018

A New Day (2017) 3x30min, Yle Draama
Daily drama series, episodes 671, 672 ja 673

Juha Itkonen: Minun Amerikkani campaign videos (2017) 1min+4min, Welhofilmi
(Also camera, editing) Online campaign videos for a book release

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

ABB: Joka paikan sähköistäjä (2016) 2min, New Dawn
Online ad

Juha Itkonen: Palatkaa perhoset campaign videos (2016) 12x40sec
(Also camera, editing) Online campaign videos for a book release

Johannes Brotherus & Pihla Maalismaa – Sammutetaan bensalla tulta (2015) 4min
(Also editing & grading) Music video

Maria Ylipää, Riku Nieminen, Johannes Brotherus & Pihla Maalismaa - Ollaan vapaita (2015) 4min
(Also editing & animations) Music video

Elias Kaskinen ja Päivän sankarit – Kesä yhdessä (2015) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also editing & production) Music video

Erkki Perälä parliamentary campaign videos (2015) 4min+3x15sec
(Also camera, editing) Online campaign videos, co-directed with Jon Sundell

Pimeys – Nuoruuden kaupunki (2015) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also editing & production) Music video

Elias Kaskinen ja Päivän sankarit – Aina minä jään (2014) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also post-production) Music video

Olavi Uusivirta ja Pauliina Kokkonen - Tuhat vuotta sitten (2013) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also editing, compositing & production) Music video

Helsingin Sanomat: Tulevaisuusseinä (2013), KOMIA Helsinki
(Also editing) Interactive video installation

Jemina & Selina Sillanpää ja Tim Ries - Pedot (2012) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also editing) Music video

Märät säpikkäät (2012-2013) 8+10x25min, Tarinatalo
(Also camera operation) Indigenous comedy/skit series, for Finnish Channel 2 (YLETV2)
Nominated for *Golden Venla* for best comedy series, 2012

Timo Pieni Huijaus - Pleiboi (2012) 4min, KOMIA Helsinki
(Also animations & editing) Music video

Pimein hetki ("The Darkest Hour") (2011) 20min, Theatre Academy / ELO Film School...
(Also production design & video projection design) Theatre etude

Scandinavian Music Group - Kaunis Marjaana (2011) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also animations & production) Music video

Tiimari: Vappu / Pääsiäinen (2011) 3x30sec, KOMIA Helsinki
TV-ad

Timo Pieni Huijaus - Jos te vaan seisotte vieres (2011) 3min, KOMIA Helsinki
Music video for online campaign, won: VOITTO Audience Award for best online campaign

Olavi Uusivirta ja Anna Järvinen - Nuori ja kaunis (2011) 4min, KOMIA Helsinki
(Also editing) Music video

Ratkaiseva isku ("The Deciding Strike") (2010) 4x45min, Solar Television
Crime Series based on true events, for Finnish Channel 3 (MTV3)

Vapautuspassio ("Liberation Passion") (2010) 110min, ELO Film School Helsinki
Finnish Theater Academy's music theater performance, shot with seven cameras

Poets of the Fall - Dreaming Wide Awake (2010) 5min, Spotless Films
(Also editing) Music video for a Finnish rock band

Imehnokke (2009) 74min ELO Helsinki Film School
(Also editing, color correction, production) Dance/music piece shot with five cameras

Phoenix Effect - King See No Evil (2009) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also editing and cinematography) Music video

Phoenix Effect - Broken Promises (2008) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also editing, compositing & production) Music video

Sunrise Avenue Live On the Rocks (2004) 70min, Welhofilmi
Live music performance shot with four cameras

Chorale - Lähdit luotani (2003) 4min, Welhofilmi
(Also production) Music video

Non-directing credits

Bull by the Horns (2021), Creator, head writer, producer
8-part VOD series, directed by Petra Lumioksa, for Elisa Viihde Viaplay
Shortlisted for *Golden Venla* for best drama series and best actress, 2021

Pientä laittoa (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")
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

Council of the Department of Film, Television and Production Design
Member 2008-2009

Association of Finnish Film Directors SELO
Student Member of Executive Board, 2008-2011
Member of Executive Board 2012-2016, 2022-
Vice President 2014-2016
President 2020-2022

Audiovisual Authors and Performers in Finland AVATE
Member of Executive Board, 2021-

Finnish Film Foundation Advisory Board
Member 2022-

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