

# Gaa

## EETU SIHVONEN

### BORN

1994, Kotka, Finland

Lives and works in Helsinki, Finland

### EDUCATION

2019 Academy of Fine Arts Helsinki, BFA Sculpture, Helsinki, Finland

2018-19 Glasgow School of Art, Sculpture and Environmental Art, Glasgow, Scotland

2014-16 Aalto University, Graphic Design, Espoo, Finland

### SELECTED SOLO + TWO-PERSON EXHIBITIONS

2024 Temnikova&Kasela, Tallinn, Estonia

*Lacrimal Lake House*, Gaa, Cologne, Germany

*Escapism*, Andrea Festa, Rome, Italy

Solstice Festival, Ruka, Finland

2023 *Within the Well*, Gaa, New York, NY, USA

*Egg's Lore*, Light Harvesting Complex, Vantaa/Online, Finland

2021 *A Trip to Cockaigne*, Titanik, Turku, Finland

2016 *WASD*, Oksasenkatu 11, Helsinki, Finland

### SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2024 La Bibi, Palma, Spain (upcoming)

*"O's 74th Birthday Party,"* Plicnik Space Initiative, London, UK

*Vessels*, Cabin, Berlin, Germany

2023 *this is not a toxic field*, Pada Studios, Barreiro, Portugal

*Moving to make meaning*, Kyykky Gallery, Helsinki, Finland

*Tiny Art Gallery*, Ruis, Nijmegen, Netherlands

*Blues of the Broken Gate*, Holešovická Šachta, Prague, Czech Republic

*their room washed with hot light*, Kubaparis, Turku, Finland

*This Nest for Us to Rest*, Pitted Dates, Helsinki, Finland

2022 *Kotka Art '22*, Kotka, Finland

2021 *Music for Plants*, Kaisaniemi Botanic Garden, Helsinki, Finland

*Gothic Pastoral*, Soloshow platform, Online

*Mystic May*, The Community, Pantin, France

*Kuvan Kevät*, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland

*Episode 7*, Essenza Club/Dharma Initiatives, Online

2020 *Bird Feeders*, Pro Artibus, Online/Tammisaari, Finland

2019 BFA Exhibition, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland

*Dimensions Tomorrow*, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland

*Summerbabes*, Helsinki Winter Garden, Helsinki, Finland

*Egg Hunt at the Club Guggenheim*, Kaiku, Helsinki, Finland

2018 *A Passing Permanence*, Free Art Space, Helsinki, Finland

*Rajallisia Tilaisuuksia*, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland

2017 *Animal and The Logic of Others*, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki, Finland

*We've been having these weird thoughts lately*, Free Art Space, Helsinki, Finland

### SELECTED PRESS + PUBLICATIONS

2023 Alexandre Stipanovich, "Critics' Picks: Eetu Sihvonen and Elizabeth Tibbetts," *Artforum*, November

### AWARDS, RESIDENCIES, AND GRANTS

2024 La Bibi, Palma, Spain

Cité des Arts, Paris, France

2023 PADA Studios, Barreiro, Portugal

2022 Arts Promotion Centre Finland

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- 2021 Arts Promotion Centre Finland  
Finnish Cultural Foundation  
Arts Promotion Centre Finland
- 2021 Anita Snellman's Foundation
- 2020 Arts Promotion Centre Finland  
Academy of Fine Arts
- 2018 Academy of Fine Arts, Berlin, Germany  
Alfred & Greta Runeberg's Foundation
- 2017 Academy of Fine Arts

## BIO

**Eetu Sihvonen** (b. 1994, Kotka, Finland) lives and works in Helsinki. They often work with traditional materials such as wood and metal, as well as 3D modeling and animation. Sihvonen merges these processes into installations and singular works, which are informed by traditional handicraft techniques, storytelling, and the world of role-playing games. Their works have been exhibited in the solo exhibiton, *Egg's Lore*, Light Harvesting Complex, Vantaa, Finland, and the two-person exhibitions, *Within the Well*, Gaa, New York, NY; *A Trip to Cockaigne*, Titanik, Turku, Finland; and *WASD*, Okasenkatu 11, Helsinki, Finland. Sihvonen's work has been featured in group exhibitions at the Community Centre, Paris, France; Holešovická Šachta, Prague, Czech Republic; Pitted Dates, Helsinki, Finland; and Ruis, Nijmegen, Netherlands. Their work is featured in the collection of the Finnish Art Society.