

FINNISH FILM FESTIVAL

(Take a quick cab to the other side of the Mississippi River to see these contemporary Finnish films.)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

7:00-PM Finnish film festival at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Film Society

Järven Tarina (Tale of a Lake), 2016, Marko Röhr director, 75 minutes

Tale of a Lake creates a cinematic poem about Finland's natural waters. The script invokes tales based around the myths, legends and old beliefs recorded in Finnish mythology. Antti Tuuri, the popular author of Finnish historical novels, co-wrote the script accompanying this film about Finland's thousands of lakes. Taking viewers on an unprecedented adventure, ranging from crystal-clear springs to the basins of the big lakes, the film opens a whole new world of underwater nature for the viewers. St. Anthony Main Movie theatre tickets sold at the theatre.

FinnFest USA full registrants will receive discounts with FinnFest badge. Film repeats on September 23, 1 PM.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

7:00-PM Finnish Film Festival at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Film Society

Saattokeikka (Unexpected Journey), 2017, Sauli Valkama director

In this "road trip" film, an elderly Finn, Lasse, traveling to his summer cottage, needs to find someone to take him there. He hires a driver, sixteen-year old Kamel, a Somali immigrant. Contemporary Finland and its social issues come alive as they two share the journey. Film repeats on September 26, 7 PM.

Saturday, September 23

1:00 PM *The Tale of a Lake repeats.* Film director and Cinematographer present at the screening.

4:00-PM Finnish film festival at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Film Society

Syysrinssi (Love and Fury) 2016, Alli Haapasalo director

In 1980's Helsinki, a city just about to burst with young energy and rebellion, two young writers determined to conquer the world fall madly in love. For Inka, their love affair puts everything in motion: she finds her own voice – and becomes a sensation. The intensity of their love has a different affect on Juhana, who starts to lose control. At the height of the relationship Inka starts to suspect that being madly in love may actually be driving Juhana mad.

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Eero Saarinen: The Architect Who Saw the Future, 2016, Peter Rosen & Eric Saarinen, Directors.

This film documentary of the life and work of Eero Saarinen uses drone technology to unmask Saarinen's artistic achievements. Viewers see these buildings in new ways. Shown on PBS' American Masters in December 2016, the film was shortened to fit then into the allotted time. See this film now in its full glory with the 17 minutes restored and shown with a film projector that does justice to the sweeping views created by the drone technology. Eric Saarinen will introduce the film and participate in a q and a after the film. St. Anthony Main theatre.

Sunday, September 24

4:00-PM Finnish film festival at the Minneapolis/St. Paul Film Society

Syysrinssi (Love and Fury) 2016, Alli Haapasalo director Repeat showing.

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Äkkilähtö (Off th Map) 2016, Tiina Lumi, director

This action-packed road movie follows the journey that a single career woman and a neglected girl from next door make towards the girl's Grandma's. The journey from Helsinki city to the Kainuu countyside brings together three

strong women of different generations, who find each other during the journey, and in the Kainuu wilderness, solutions to their problems. St. Anthony Main Movie theatre tickets sold at the theatre. FinnFest USA full registrants will receive discounts. Film repeats on Wednesday, September 26, 7.00 PM

Shuttle bus service

Available on Saturday and Sunday

\$25 per person will get you to and from the O'Shaughnessy Auditorium for the Saturday night concert. It will also enable you to get to Christ Church Lutheran to visit this acclaimed church and attend a service that will feature Finnish sounds. It will also get you to the American Swedish Institute for the festival afternoon. Pay at the registration desk or before entering the bus on Saturday evening.

Saturday pick-up 6:30 PM

Sunday pick-up 9:00 AM

Tori Hours

Friday 10:30 am-2:30 PM & 6:00-9:30 PM (Foyer booths close during the Convocation and during orchestra concert, reopening during intermission. Some Peavey Plaza booths may choose to stay open throughout.)

Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM & 6:30-9:30 PM

Finnish crafts as practiced by Finnish American artists is the special theme for this year's tori. People who write, paint, weave, form their own designs will join these craft artists to create a celebration of the arts. The tori will include a different musical group every hour. Information booths and vendors selling and presenting Finnish related products will be located in a tent on Peavey Plaza outside Orchestra Hall.