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Contemporary art as (un)doing



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Today's Topics

OUR DISCUSSION FLOW

Intro: Examples of my art

Art as catalyst

Ecosocial frames

Ecosocial approach

EcoJustice

Art as (un)doing

Challenging assumptions

Recognizing ecosocialization

Practicing public scholarship















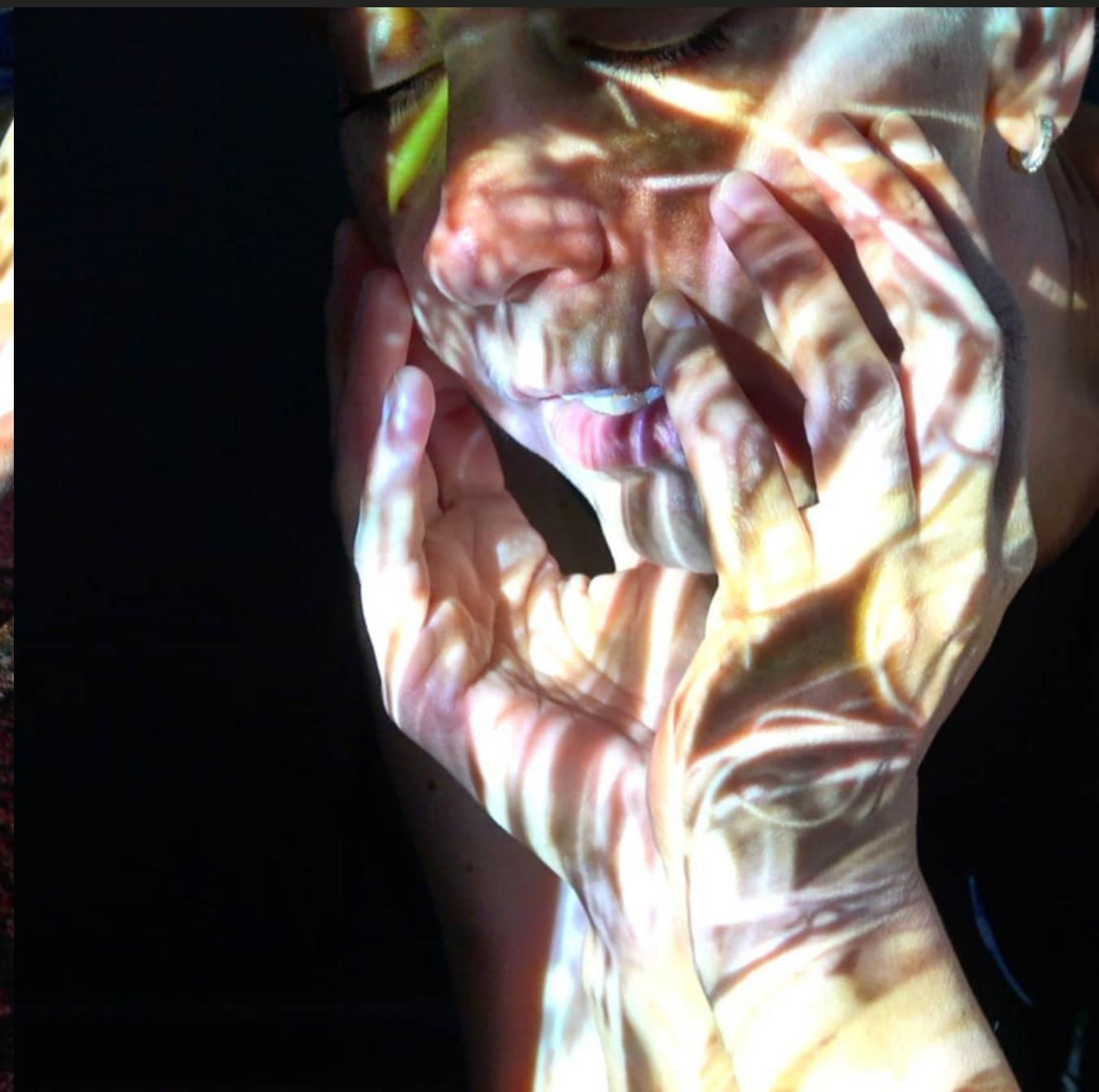






















Art as Catalyst



FOR TRANSITION
TO SUSTAINABLE
CIRCULAR ECONOMY

- 1) TO TRICK
people out of previous ways of thinking
- 2) TO EXPAND
our concept of being social
- 3) TO RESEMBLE
rebellious research
- 4) TO CRITICIZE
the world of goods and consumption

(Suonpää, 2020.)





Ecosocial frameworks

Ecological and social problems and solutions are closely connected.

● ECOSOCIAL APPROACH

(Salonen 2014; Salonen & Bardy 2015)

● ECOJUSTICE

(Foster 2017; Foster ym. 2019; Martusewicz ym. 2015)



Ecosocial approach



EKOSOSIAALINEN SIVISTYS

Concept that exists in the National Core Curricula in Finland (OPS 2014, LOPS 2015, VOPS 2016).

Firstly, the most important thing is to take care of **ecological** issues in order to preserve the possibilities of all life. Secondly, the most important thing is to defend **social** justice to secure meaningful and good life for all humans. Thirdly, the most important thing is to maintain a stable **economy** so that the limited resources can be shared among people as efficiently as possible to meet the basic needs of all people. (Salonen 2014, 49.)

EcoJustice



EKOSOSIAALINEN
OIKEUDENMUKAISUUS

1) CRITICISM

Challenging modern assumptions.

2) COMMONS

Revitalizing natural and cultural commons.

3) CREATIVITY

Imagining responsible relationship to Earth.

(Foster 2017; Foster ym. 2019; Martusewicz ym. 2015, also Plumwood 2002)

ART AS (UN)DOING



CHALLENGING ASSUMPTIONS

to push people
to see differently

RECOGNIZING ECOSOCIALIZATION

to acknowledge that our
social life is
multispecies

PRACTICING PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

to make an impact
beyond academia





Challenging assumptions

MULTISENSIBLE & RELATIONAL

Challenging rationalism and individualism.

INTRINSIC & PROCESSUAL

Challenging instrumentalism and consumerism.

UNCANNY & EXPERIENTIAL

Challenging mechanism and continuous progress.

DIVERSE & MUTUAL

Challenging Dualism and centric thinking.

(Foster 2017.)

Recognizing ecosocialization

(Keto & Foster 2020.)

AGENTS

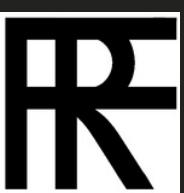
Plants, animals and microbes act in mutual relations in the web of life.

PARTICIPATION

We participate in the world through/in our lived bodies.

SUSTAINABILITY

Empathy and cooperation sustains life.



Practicing public scholarship

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ART FOR OTHER ARTISTS?
RESEARCH FOR OTHER
RESEARCHERS?
OR
UNDERSTANDING AND ENGAGING
WITH ART?

Break a Brain





Is my practice
sustaining all life?



Thank you!



**QUESTIONS?
COMMENTS?**

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