

# 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**

*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 laittoja* (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  
Vice President 2014-2016  
President 2020-2022

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