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## Middle ITE vol2 Ite art in the middle of nowhere



Middle of Nowhere ITE Art Park will open its new exhibition "Middle ITE vol2" in the summer of 2025. The exhibition is staggeringly extensive and full of surprises. It features 29 self-taught artists and features a total of almost a hundred works and installations. The original and inventive works are made of wood, stone, metal and various recycled materials.

The exhibition is built on the ruins of a former market garden, in the surrounding forest and in a small main building. An approximately 600-meter-long outdoor route takes visitors through various environments where art and nature intertwine in surprising ways. The indoor exhibition includes works by ITE artist of the year 2025 Markku Sarastamo.

Middle of Nowhere Art Park is located in the idyllic village of Kaukasten in Hyvinkää. The park was founded by childhood friends Pertti Riikonen and Teijo Monni, who wanted to do something different together and were inspired by ITE art. In 2022, they purchased an old abandoned commercial garden property and began building the art park using recycled materials.

The park opened to the public for the first time in the summer of 2024, when the exhibition was visited by over 5,000 visitors. In the same year, the Middle of Nowhere Art Park was awarded the Hyvinkää Art Prize in recognition of significant artistic achievement.

Middle ITE vol2 is not just an art exhibition – it is an experiential adventure for the whole family. Welcome to experience, wonder and be inspired!

The exhibition is open from June 25 to September 7, 2025, from Wednesday to Sunday.

Artists featured in the exhibition:

Ahti Tyysteri (Karkkila), Alpo Koivumäki (Kauhajoki), Eetu Mäki (Turku), Ensio Tuppurainen (Kääpälä), Greger Grönholm (Karjaa), Hannu Kumpula (Seinäjoki), Jori Tapio Kalliola (Rauma), Juha Käkelä (Ylöjärvi), Jussi Ruusulampi (Helsinki), K. Tschährä (Tampere), Kalevi Päivärinta (Lohja), Kyösti litti (Pöytyä), Leena Nio (Tuusula), Markku Sarastamo (Hämeenlinna), Mika Rintamäki (Ikaalinen), Mikko Ramsi (Vantaa), Onni Laine (Turenki), Paula Huhtanen (Nokia), Pekka Lampinen (Aura), Pentti Väistö (Tohmajärvi), Pia Jokinen (Nurmijärvi), Romurinsessa (Lapinlahti), Sanna Saarinen (Eura), Seppo Suomensyrjä (Villähde), Shadow Room (Vantaa), Tiina Huttunen (Nurmijärvi), Timo Karjalainen (Raasepori), Timo Peri (Kotka), Tuomo Rantanen (Punkalaidun)

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