



MÖNTTILÄIVÄ

IMMERSIVE UNDERWATER WONDERLAND FOR KIDS

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transl. the boat of the lumps

**FOR KIDS AND THE YOUNG AT HEART!
An immersive art installation, that can
be built into any kind of space.**

***Step inside an invisible submarine to dive
into the wondrous deep seas! Hold your
breath for a second, and all of a sudden
the everyday world around transforms
into an underwater wonderland.***

***The white, minimalistic sculptures on the
sea bed humm softly, and the glittering
jellyfish might jump across the room when
you touch them.***

***The underwater is inhabited two artists
of the ocean who invite you to play with
them. Here you are allowed to touch
everything! You're invited to dive into the
world in the way you want.***

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In Mönttilaiva, children can dive into the magical, bubbly underwater wonderland, where they can experience contemporary art. They can touch, look, imagine and participate in their wished level. They can just watch, or interact: the space encourages to try out one's own creativity.

The immersive installation consists of interactive jellyfish sculptures, softly humming Möntti-sculptures (those white lumps!), music and video art. The Mönttilaiva is inhabited by two artists of the sea, a musician and a performer, who interact with the audience and sometimes show their funniest otherworldly tricks.

Mönttilaiva offers a fun platform for kids to develop their own thoughts, meanings, and games. In its light minimalism, the installation leaves space for the audience's own imagination – as opposed to a pre-narrated story. It provides a gentle counterbalance to our hectic everyday life and constant flow of visual stimuli that we are subjected to.

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Möntti crew

Artistic direction: Sofi Häkkinen, Miradonna Sirkka
Production: Inna Huttunen / Recover Laboratory

Performers: One musician and one circus artist
(or a dancer) carefully selected for each occasion
from Recover Laboratory's resident artists

Technical info

*Note that the installation adapts to different spaces and occasions.
All technical details are subject to negotiation.*

Size of touring crew	3-4 (2 artists and 1-2 tech and set)
Duration	Immersive installation with no duration; time spent inside varies and can be scheduled if needed
Audience	For children and all ages. As many as your space fits. Interaction not required, but very much possible if desired.
Location	Adaptable. Any dry indoor location (corridor, classroom, storage, black box etc.), electricity, possibility to hang very light jellyfish sculptures from the ceiling, 10-100 m ²
Size of the set	2-5 m ³
Sound	P.A. system is required. The P.A. should be a high-quality one with sufficient power to supply a clean, undistorted sound.
Preparation	Min 3 hrs to build, 2 hr to take down
Other	Space for warming up. If the installation is open for more than one day, space must be locked.

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In our artistic practice, we build frameworks where we – along with the audience – can explore the world and being in the world. We stand for equality. The reason behind our artworks is honesty; connecting with people in the freedom provided by art. We stand for freedom of interpretation – for both the artist and the audience. Anything is possible in our spaces, just like everything is possible in an ordinary day. We see the extraordinary in nothingness.

Here the freedom is yours. “

About us

Recover Laboratory is a Finnish art company led by a **multi-talented trio**: circus artist and director **Miradonna Sirkka**, visual artist and director **Sofi Häkkinen**, and experience designer and producer **Inna Huttunen**.

Recover Laboratory creates **surreal art experiences** and performances based on **human contact**, honesty, and freedom, asking you to stop for a while and experience art in your own pace and your own way.

The artworks take several different forms. The group, active since 2014, is especially known for their enormous, **immersive labyrinths** under the ground, where all the participants step inside the artwork alone one by one.

RecLab (Recover Laboratory) also produces **multi-disciplinary stage shows**, immersive wonderlands for kids, **site-specific live-installations**, exhibitions, curated art events, and other artworks.

The Recover Family (artists we work with) consists of carefully selected professionals from different fields, including but not limited to, **contemporary circus, visual art, performance art, music, dance, stage design, game** and **experience design**.



**Contact us.
Let's go together.**

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Video of Mönttilaiva:
<https://youtu.be/6NZXL2AgpAc>

Mönttilaiva on ReLab's website:
<https://www.recoverlaboratory.com/productions/monttilaiva>

Mönttilaiva on Circus Info's site:
https://sirkusinfo.fi/en/shows-artists/show/?work_id=789



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