SEVERI AALTONEN

Private investigator in the fields of subcultures and parasitic fine art

Severi Aaltonen is a media artist whose works emerge from archives. He has history in subcultures that sample sound (electronic music), appropriate imagery (graffiti), and inhabit empty spaces of the cityscape (squatting). These motifs are dominantly present in how he works and confronts archival footage as an artist. Severi's artistic interest is in subverting authorities; his research investigates how authority resides in different infrastructures of society. Severi's recent body of work combines video, audio, and installation. Processing different archives is central to his studio practice, often calling for diverse ways to expose them in presentation. He assembles compositions of the archival footage and finds a suitable container for them in recycled technology. The final installation supports the context of the archive and the composition, becoming almost like a logical residue of equipment, cabling, scaffolding, and other constructs. Severi researches how authority shifts in contemporary society. In particular, he is interested in how power is regulated in technology, where the authority prevails in obscurity. Big Tech and the artificial intelligence industry are rearranging global infrastructure and leaving behind a trail of destruction. Through his manual artistic labour in the data sphere, Severi is refusing the commercial logics of the tech industry and reclaiming technology for sustainable and humane processes.

SOCIAL MEDIA

www.instagram.com/severi44ltonen/

MAAKT DEEL UIT VAN KUNSTENAARSINITIATIEF / COLLECTIEF / BROEDPLAATS

GAP

OPLEIDINGEN

2024 - 2026 MA Artistic Research Den Haag, Koninklijke Academie van Beeldende Kunsten Diploma behaald

2019 - 2023 BA Fine Art Groningen, Minerva Diploma behaald

TENTOONSTELLINGEN

2026 European media art festival Hase29 Osnabruck, Duitsland Media art exhibition in Germany
www.emaf.de/en/
Groep

PROJECTEN

2021 Ghost of Padangstraat groningen archiven Groningen A research on an found archive of documents belonging to a dead gay rights activist. The archive was saved to groningen archiven.

2026 Marginal Evidence SIGN project space Groningen, Nederland Curated group exhibition, production of new work, Groningen sign2.nl/websign/
Groep

2026 Gogbot Sickhouse Enschede, Nederland
Groep

2026 Tweede Bouwput Amsterdam, Nederland A small self organized exhibition amongst friends.
Groep

2025 Chroniques Biennale La Friche la belle de Mai Marseille, Frankrijk Art and technology biennale in France
chroniques-biennale.org/en/
Groep

2024 The new current / rotterdam art week Brutus Rotterdam, Nederland Art and technology exhibition for emerging artists, Rotterdam
www.thenewcurrent.org/
Groep

OPDRACHTEN

2019 Scenery, Pieni prinssi aurinkobaletti Turku, Finland Scenery / mural / marketing material for contemporary dance production
www.aurinkobaletti.fi/en/front-page/
Uitgevoerd

2019 Series of murals in Vantaa vantaa art museum Vantaa, Finland Series of murals with Street art Vantaa, supported and funded with and by, Vantaa art museum Artsi
www.artsimuseo.com/ Uitgevoerd

PUBLICATIES

2026 Blue Hour Boek The Hague, Nederland A reader of articles, group publication

2026 DECADE Boek Self, group Turku, The Hague, Nederland Photography of graffiti, 200 pages book, images and text

2026 Viivi Boek Jukka Aaltonen Turku, Finland Cover art for a novel

2025 Extra Violet Boek The Hague, Nederland Essays, group publication

2023 Postma Vastgoed Boek me Groningen and abroad, Nederland Risoprinted photobook, analog photography. Edition of 40.

RECENSIES

2024 Best of graduates Magazine Metropolis M Groningen, Nederland Article

PRIJZEN EN STIPENDIA

2024 GAP kunstraad Groningen, Nederland Municipality funding for an audiovisual

ARTISTIEKE NEVENACTIVITEITEN

2026 - --



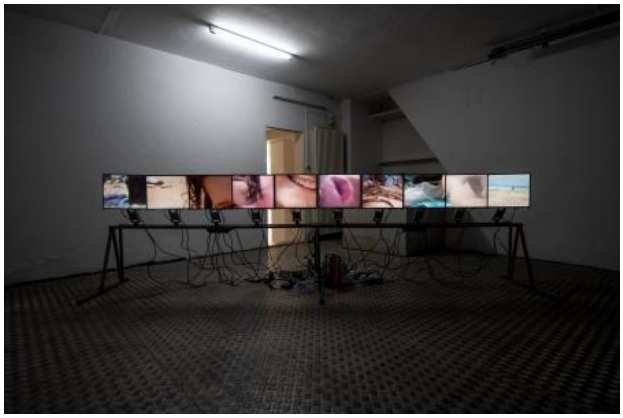
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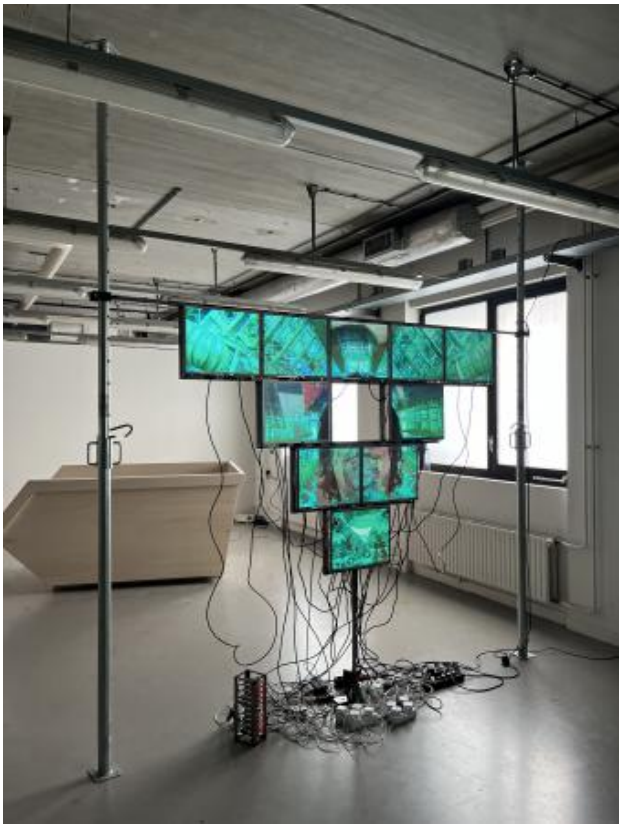
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Spectator, 2026
Media, installation, video, sound, 4 x 2 m



Interceptor, 2026
Media, installation, video, audio, 3.5m x 4.5m



Hoarder, 2025
Media, installation, video, audio, 2m x 0,5m



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oceanwave.zip, 2025
Media, installation, video, audio, dimensions variable



Disney Realms, 2024
Media, installation, video, audio, Dimensions variable



Disney Realms, 2024
receipt print, Dimensions variable