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Hilda Kozári: Vantaa Black Sense

Visual artist **Hilda Kozári** creates a multisensory installation and exhibition titled *Vantaa Black Sense* into Galleria K, housed in the old 1950's Vantaa city library. One of the starting points of the show has been *Vantablack*, the blackest matter in the world, patented in 2014 and used by, for instance, British artist Anish Kapoor. What will surface from the darkest darkness when we use all of our senses? The artwork speaks to its visitor on how we perceive space and place, the importance of visibility in culture, the experiencing of urban environments, and the accessibility of design and art.

Before Kozári has created multisensory public sculptures in Vantaa and exhibited at the Vantaa Art Museum Artsi. The exhibition *Vantaa Black Sense* is curated by **Anne Kaarna-Suomi**, curator of public art at the City of Vantaa. Interior designer **Esa Vesmanen** has taken part in the design of the site-specific exhibition that takes into account the distinct architecture of the building and its interior.

The central artwork Vantaa Black Sense is a house with a triangle-shaped base. The installation houses "sense-graffiti" that are to be touched and smelled. The graffiti are sourced from the artist's own meaningful places as well as from the long tradition of graffiti and take us from the walls Pompeii to Paris, Savaria in Hungary and Vantaa.

The event is part of the programme of Helsinki Design Week. The biggest design festival in the Nordic countries Helsinki Design Weeks takes place September 7-17 2017.

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Galleria K, Asematie 7, 01300 Vantaa
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Free entrance

Wed 12–18
Thu-Fri 11–17
Sat–Sun 12–16

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