Curriculum Vitae Tuomas Rounakari

Born in Finland 1977 City of residence: Kokkola, Finland www.rounakari.com

Education

2024 Doctorate of Arts,

University of Arts, Sibelius-Academy,

Helsinki.

2006 Masters of Arts degree in Ethnomusicology from University of Helsinki. 2000–1998 New School University, New York City, Jazz and Contemporary Music.



Ruska Ensemble, Finland. Musical director and a founding member since 2010.

Co-productions with Finnish National Theatre and Kokkola City Theatre in Finland, Nunatta Isiginnaartitsisarfia in Nuuk, Greenland, Beaivváš Sámi Našunalateahter in Koutakeino, Norway, Ob-Ugrian National Theatre, Khanty-Mansijsk, Russia and Riksteatern in Sweden. www.ruskaensemble.fi

Composer and music production for films, television and radio for YLE (National Broadcats Company of Finland), Giron-Filmi, Illume Ltd and Independent directors since 2001.

Composer and music production for stage productions including Unexpected Ensemble (DK/SWE/FIN), Pyramiida-Collective (FIN), Finnish National Theatre, Ryhmäteatteri, Kokkola City Theatre, Kuriton -company in Finland and Teater Freeze Productions in Denmark. Music for choreographers Tuomo Railo (FIN), Jenni Kokkomäki (FIN), Ada Einmo Jürgensen (Sámi/NO), Elisabeth Heilmann-Blind (GL/SWE), Gabriela Ariana (Chile/FIN), Alexander Montgomery-Andersen (GL/NO).

Shamanviolin (FIN), violinist solo performance. Over hundred shows globally since 2002 **Korpiklaani (FIN), violinist** over 800 shows including, 12 European, 5 North-American and 3 South-American tours and 2 tours in Australia, Russia, Japan and China since 2012. **Moment - multicultural orchestra (USA)**, over 50 shows in New York City metro area, including Knitting Factory, Wetlands and Harlem Apollo Hall 1999-2000.

Teaching and lectures at Sibelius-Academy, Finnish Literature Society, Kokkola Conservatory of Music, Finland. University College of Cork, Ireland. Göttingen University, Germany. Orpheus Research Center in Music, Belgium. L'universite du Sorbonne, France. Since 2001 teaching **Lament workshops** for over one thousand participants under Äänellä itkijät -society, Finland.

Discography

Eight full-length studio albums as a violinist and arranger, 16 albums as featuring violinist and two as a producer.