pikseliÄHKY // pixelACHE 2002 festival

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PikseliÄHKY // pixelACHE festival was organised for the first time in spring 2002. The name 'pixelACHE' describes the feeling resulting from an overdose of screen-based media, a passive state where all the content starts to blur together into one monotonic ocean of boredom. PikseliÄHKY festival showcases people that can offer us at least a momentary escape from this - artists and experimental creators from various disciplines, who question the conventional ways of using audiovisual technologies. Open-minded do-it-yourself attitude is the essential element behind all pikseliÄHKY activity!

PikseliÄHKY 2002 was held at Lasipalatsi in Helsinki, in a venue hosted by non-profit co-operative Aula. The festival featured screenings and performances but most of event was dedicated for presentations, talks and workshops. The events in Aula presented work from more than 15 local artists / artist groups and attracted an enthusiastic audience of approximately two hundred people. In addition pikseliÄHKY artists were featured in two successful club events, at Dotcoma in Saunabar and Club Bundolo in Mocambo. One international artist guest was invited to pikseliÄHKY 2002 - media artist Jarryd Lowder from New York. Jarryd is a faculty member of MFA Computer Art department, School of Visual Arts.

pikseliÄHKY 2002 artists

- Jarryd Lowder, media artist from New York
- Pink Twins, media artist duo from Helsinki (pinktwins.com)
- O Samuli A, sound/visual artist from Helsinki (www.musicpage.com/osamulia)
- Tuomas Toivonen, architect and sound artist from Helsinki
- Tomi Knuutila a.k.a tomtom, media artist from Helsinki
- Markus Renvall, video artist from Helsinki
- Toiminto, sound artist from Tampere
- Tommi Keränen, sound artist from Helsinki
- Perttu Hämäläinen, software specialist from Helsinki
- Korento, artist group from Helsinki (korento.org)
- Folio, electronic music duo from Helsinki
- Rihmasto, collaborative art project by Antti Ahonen, Panu Johansson & co (rihmasto.org)
- Juha Huuskonen, software artist from Helsinki (juhuu.nu)
- Halcyon, artist group from Helsinki
- Marko Myöhänen and Timo Kurkikangas, sound artists from Sibelius Academy
   Centre for Music and Technology
- homokaasu.net, an experimental website
- pixoff.net, an online channel for independent video productions

pikseliÄHKY 2002 organisers

pikseliÄHKY was the second event in the OlentoAcademy series. The first event was AvantoAcademy, a series of workshops organised in connection to Avanto – Helsinki Media Art Festival. The OlentoAcademy events were organised by Olento Production Company.

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OlentoAcademy collaborating organisations:
Aula co-operative, Media Centre Lume, Avanto – Helsinki Media Art Festival,
Kipsari, Club Bundolo, Dotcoma.

More information: **www.pixelache.ac**

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