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Riitta Nelimarkka's story– Elise's Unmemories

Professor and Doctor of Arts Riitta Nelimarkka is one of Finland's best-known artists internationally. Over the years, Nelimarkka has had an enormous number of exhibitions around the world, and her visual idiom has enchanted audiences everywhere.

Now, Nelimarkka talks about her life and art and in a documentary produced by Franck Media, to be shown on Finnish MTV3 on Christmas Day. The documentary *Riitta Nelimarkka's Story - Elise's Unmemories* is based on the artist's memoirs of the same name written in 2008. It is directed by Nina Pulkkis, whose previous work includes the documentary series *Behind the Brand*.

Riitta Nelimarkka is a multi-faceted artist, who came to prominence in the 1970s with her groundbreaking animated films. Apart from animations, her extensive production spans drawings, graphic prints, paintings, art and poetry books, art textiles and a wide array of exhibitions.

In the documentary, apart from Nelimarkka, we meet people from the various stages of her life, and we get a little closer to the origins of her art.

The documentary is shown on MTV3 December 25th at 16.15 and December 30th at 15.40. Riitta Nelimarkka's exhibition *Elise Now* will be in Galleriet G18 in January 2010.

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