

## WELCOME

We are pleased to invite you to the **International Conference on Phototherapy and Therapeutic Photography**, which will be held in Turku, Finland, on 16-18 June 2008.

The pre-conference workshops will be arranged on 12-15 June 2008, in the surrounding archipelago.

The conference is aimed at people who work in or are interested in phototherapy and therapeutic photography. It provides a unique opportunity to share the latest knowledge of the field.

We hope that the conference will open doors for lively international cooperation, dialogue and future networking connections.

## TURKU, THE CONFERENCE VENUE

Turku is the oldest university city and the former capital of Finland. Finland's first photograph was taken in Turku in 1842. Today, in Turku, there are many activities around photography, phototherapy and therapeutic photography.

The first training programs in phototherapy in Finland were organized by the Centre for Extension Studies of the University of Turku. Finnish Phototherapy Association was founded in Turku in 2004. The Center of Photography Peri has organized many exhibitions with therapeutic aspects. New photographers graduate every other year from the Turku Arts Academy.

Turku was elected one of the cultural capital cities of Europe for the year 2011. Information of the attractions of the town will be found at [www.turkutouring.fi](http://www.turkutouring.fi)

## THEMES

### I Phototherapy

Using photos and photography as a part of psychotherapy or therapy practice with clients.

### II Therapeutic photography

Photography as therapeutic activity for personal insight and self-expression.

## PROGRAMME

The programme consists of pre-conference workshops, plenary lectures, sessions and poster session, as well as photo exhibitions.

**Pre-conference workshops**, with limited number of participants, are focused on certain topics. They are organized on 12-15 June, in the beautiful archipelago on the island of Seili in Nauvo.

**Sessions** offer a forum for presentations on current practice, theory, research ideas or plans, work in progress, and other interest areas including interactive presentations.

**Poster sessions** allow a free form opportunity to present and discuss all kinds of phototherapeutic work, projects, findings etc.

**Photo exhibitions** in local galleries have strong artistic flavour connected with therapeutic aspects.

## INVITED SPEAKERS

- Francisco Avilés-Gutiérrez
- Brigitte Anor ■ Elina Brotherus
- Terry Dennett ■ David Krauss
- Ulla Halkola ■ Hanna Hentinen
- Hasse Karlsson ■ David Krauss
- Tarja Koffert ■ Marita Liulia
- Rosy Martin ■ Carmine Parrella
- Pirkko Pehunen ■ Jorma Piha
- Miina Savolainen ■ Seija Ulkuniemi
- Joel Walker ■ Judy Weiser
- Mark Wheeler

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Participants are invited to submit abstracts for sessions and posters. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is 15 January 2008.

There is a downloadable **"Call for Abstracts"** on the website.

## REGISTRATION

Detailed information on registration will be found at [www.congress.utu.fi/phototherapy08](http://www.congress.utu.fi/phototherapy08)