

Elina Siltanen/CV

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Education

- **PhD (2014), double degree from**
 - University of Turku, Finland (English)
 - Luleå University of Technology, Sweden (English and Education)
- Master of Arts, University of Turku, 2008
English Philology

Relevant work experience

- **University Lecturer (substitute)**
May 2017-December 2017
- Teaching at the Department of English and the North American Studies minor program
Department of English, University of Turku, Finland.
- **Post-doctoral research fellow**
July 2016 – April 2017
- Research funded by a personal grant
Department of English, University of Turku, Finland
- **Post-doctoral research fellow**
October 2014 – July 2015
- Research and teaching (Creative Writing in English)
The Academy of Finland research project *Out of the Ordinary*, Department of English, University of Turku, Finland
- **University teacher (substitute)**
April – July 2014
March 1 – March 31, 2014
- Teaching and research (Academic Writing Skills, BA Thesis Seminar)
Department of English, University of Turku, Finland
- **Doctoral candidate (employed)**
January 2013 – January 2014
English and Education, **Luleå University of Technology**, Sweden
(Employed by Luleå University of Technology, work conducted also at the Department of English, University of Turku under a double PhD degree agreement)

- **Doctoral candidate** (on a research grant)
June 2012 – December 2012
- Funded by a personal research grant
Department of English, University of Turku, Finland
- **Visiting Fulbright student researcher**
September 2011 – May 2012
Department of English / Poetics Program
State University of New York at Buffalo, USA
- **Doctoral candidate / Researcher**
March – August 2011
August – November 2010
May 1 – September 6, 2009
The Academy of Finland research project *Silence as Voice: Reempowering the disempowered in contemporary English literatures* (2009–2011), Department of English, **University of Turku, Finland**

Recent research grants

- **Ella and Georg Ehrnrooth Foundation (2016)**
Personal grant for post-doctoral research in Finland 2016-2017
- **The Finnish Cultural Foundation (2011)**
Personal grant for PhD research in the USA and in Finland in 2011–2012
- **Fulbright Center/ASLA-Fulbright Graduate Grant (2011)**
For PhD research in the USA, 9/2011-5/2012

Teaching and other related activities

- Literature Master's Thesis seminar, March 2017-May 2017 and September 2017-December 2017 and thesis supervision. Department of English, University of Turku.
- Crossing the Atlantic, Fall 2017. North American Studies, University of Turku.
- Academic Reading and Writing (2 groups), Fall 2017. Department of English, University of Turku.
- Creative Writing in English (BA/MA level), spring 2015, Department of English, University of Turku.
- Academic Writing Skills, Spring 2014. Department of English.
- Supervising a few BA theses in their final stages as a substitute teacher in the spring of 2014.
- Participating in the grading of the entrance exam in 2013, 2014, and 2017 and of the minor entrance exam in 2016 and 2017 at the Department of English, University of Turku.

Publications

- Siltanen, Elina. 2016. *Experimentalism as Reciprocal Communication in Contemporary American Poetry: John Ashbery, Lyn Hejinian, Ron Silliman*. FILLM Studies in Languages and Literatures. Amsterdam: John Benjamins.
- Siltanen, Elina. 2012. 'Reading as a Relationship': Lyn Hejinian's Poetics of a Common Language. In Sell, Roger D. (ed.). *Literary Community-Making: The Dialogicality of English Texts from the Seventeenth Century to the Present*. Amsterdam: John Benjamins. pp. 239-258.
- Siltanen, Elina. 2009. "Other ways of looking out over wide things": Polyphonic criticism of the present moment in John Ashbery's 'Litany'. In Kokkola, Lydia (ed.). *Tracks to Mastering English, vol. 1*. Turku: Turku University English Department. Available: www.doria.fi/handle/10024/45385. pp. 211-233.

Conference papers

- "A New Confessional Poetry: Recycled language and private provisions in Trisha Low's *The Compleat Purge*". ACLA (American Comparative Literature Association) conference, Utrecht, The Netherlands. July 6-9, 2017.
- "Being in the Present: Poetry as a 'mindfulness' project in Bernadette Mayer's *Studying Hunger Journals*". FINSSE-8, University of Turku and Åbo Akademi, Turku. June 7-9, 2017.
- "Reading A New Confessional Poetry: The case of Trisha Low's *The Compleat Purge*." NeMLA (Northeast Modern Language Association) conference, Baltimore, MD. March 23-26, 2017.
- "Lapse of Happily": Consuming Everyday Banality in Experimental Poetry. FINSSE-7 conference, University of Vaasa, October 9-10, 2015
- 'Consuming Happiness and Sadness: Reading for Emotion in Conceptual Poems', August 28-30, 2014, *Bridging North America: Connections and Divides*, The John Morton Center for North American Studies conference, University of Turku
- 'Voices of Others: Redefining Communication in Contemporary American Experimental Poetry' August 30, 2013, Research day, English and Education, Luleå University of Technology
- 'Voices of Others: Redefining Communication in Contemporary American Experimental Poetry' February 20, 2013, UTULING seminar, School of Languages and Translation Studies, University of Turku
- 'Voices of Others: Redefining Communication in Contemporary American Experimental Poetry' February 14, 2013, Department of English research seminar, University of Turku
- 'Hard Work: Reading, Community, and Collaboration in Ron Silliman's Poetry', October 18-20, 2012, FINSSE-6: *English in the East* conference, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu
- "'Launched in Context": Lyn Hejinian Performing Ordinary Language' February 16-17, 2012, *Major Minors: New and Neglected Issues in Literary Studies* conference, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, USA
- 'Voices of Others: Communication and Non-Identity in Contemporary American Experimental Poetry', June 9-12, 2010, NAES-FINSSE 2010: *English in the North* conference, University of Oulu
- 'Lyn Hejinian's Poetics of a Common Voice', May 27-28, 2009, *Literature as Community Making* symposium, Åbo Akademi, Turku

Other activities

- Literature reviewer, a member of the Finnish Critics' Association (SARV)
 - Book reviews for the Finnish newspaper *Turun Sanomat* since 2007 (more than 60 published reviews)
 - Book reviews on poetry books, the Finnish literary magazines *Tuli&Savu* and *Nuori Voima*
 - A representative of the Finnish Critics' Association in the jury for the Finnish prize for the best literary translation, the Mikael Agricola prize, in 2010–2012
- Some translation and proofreading work (Finnish-English, English-Finnish)