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Markus Henttonen is a graduate of Turku Arts Academy. His works have been presented in numerous exhibitions, e.g. in Galerie Vanessa Quang (Paris, France), Gallery Uusitalo, (Helsinki, Finland), Museum Su Palatu (Italy) and Galerie Fotonauta (Barcelona, Spain). His recent series *Night Time Stories* got the second prize in the International Biennale of Photography in Kalingrad, Russia, in 2009, and has been nominated for the Fotofinlandia Prize 2011. His first book *Paral-lel City* was published 2004 in Finland, the next one, *Lonely But Not Alone* will be published in 2011.

The artist's main interest lies in the relation between the people and their urban living environment: how different spaces that are ruled and dominated by certain expectations and social codes affect behaviour and self-expression, how people move around in different environments or how they escape and seek relief in the hectic rhythm of the city life.