

## ARCHITECTURE FOR NATURE-CONNECTION IN URBAN SPACE

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### - Abstract -

Disconnection from nature and domination over both nature and people is identified as a key driver for the deterioration of nature and loss of biodiversity. I will present my practice-led inquiry on how architecture, reoriented by an ethics of care set in a more-than-human perspective, can become a pathway for renegotiating human-nature relations. I will discuss the Alusta Pavilion for Multispecies Encounters and Environmental Discourse, originally built in central Helsinki (2022-24) and in 2027 opening in Daikanyama, Tokyo. The pavilion supports biodiversity and offers a space for human-nature connection in urban space. The participatory project realised together with the Finnish Institute in Japan currently welcomes collaborators for its educational and discursive program.

### Speaker Bio

Maiju Suomi, is an architect (MSc) and a doctoral researcher at the Department of Design, Aalto University, Finland. In her practice-led research she explores environmental architecture, ethics of care, and the bridging of nature and culture through multisensory spatial experiences. She is the lead designer of the award-winning Alusta Pavilion, presented at the 19th International Architecture Exhibition of la Biennale di Venezia.



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