

Helsinki City Museum Picture Archives

CLASSIFICATION OF PHOTOGRAPHS BY SUBJECT

STREETS, CITY DISTRICTS

Photos of buildings and street views arranged in alphabetical order. Buildings in the inner city can be found by street address, buildings in the suburbs by district. Broader views and aerial photographs can also be found by district.

PANORAMAS

Panoramas taken from high buildings. The oldest panorama is that from the tower of the Cathedral in 1866.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND INSTITUTIONS

Interiors and exteriors of major government and local government buildings. Also public buildings such as hospitals, schools, universities, churches, art institutions, stations and sports fields. Portraits and action photos in addition to photos of buildings.

1 The Imperial Palace, Presidential Palace

2 Senate House

3 Parliament Building

4 House of the Estates

5 House of Nobility

6 Government offices and institutions

6 Official state residences and reception rooms

6 The judiciary and prisons

7 Bank of Finland

8 City Hall

8 City administration buildings

9 City administration

10 City offices and institutions

11 City Library

11 Finlandia Hall

12 Old peoples' homes, local authority homes

12 Child day care centres, reception homes, Home for the Crippled

12 Correctional training schools, youth homes, child guidance centres

12 Hostels, institutions of care and workhouses

12 Civil defence shelters

13 Nursing and healthcare

14 Children's day care

14 Elementary and comprehensive schools

14 Vocational schools and adult education

15 Secondary schools and upper secondary schools; class reunions, excursions and photos

16 Vocational institutions and colleges

16 Colleges and universities of art

17 University of Helsinki
17 University Library
17 Universities
17 Student unions, student nations, student activities
18 Archives, museums, scientific societies, research institutions

19 Churches, parishes, religious communities
20 Theatres and opera
21 Dancing
22 Musical life

23 Station buildings: railway and bus stations, airports
24 Harbour buildings
25 Fire stations
26 Power stations and street lighting
26 Waterworks, wells, public conveniences
26 Slaughterhouse

27 Sports buildings and fields, youth hostels

PUBLIC LIFE

Photographs relating to state and major political events. Photographs of the armed forces and military events.

28 Head of state: Emperor-Grand Duke, regent, president
28 Government: Senate and Council of State
28 Diet: Diet, unicameral parliament
28 Russian civil servants, Governor-General
28 Ambassadors and diplomats

29 Independence celebrations, Independence Day
30 Official celebrations and tributes
31 State visits
32 Naval visits

33 Conferments
34 Weddings and commemorations
35 Funerals, visits of respect to graves
36 Song and music celebrations
37 Congresses, meetings
38 Trade fairs, exhibitions

39 Years of oppression
39 Independence 1917
39 Prohibition Act 1917-32
39 Lapua movement, peasants' march 1930

39 Language struggle, elections
39 Strikes, demonstrations
39 Treaty of Friendship, Cooperation and Mutual Assistance, CSCE

40 Finnish armed forces, Defence Forces
40 Barracks, officers clubs and casinos, service clubs
41 Russian armed forces
42 Civil guard, Lotta Svärd organisation

43 Military parades.
44 Occupation of Helsinki 1918. Civil War – War of Independence
45 First World War
45 Second World War, bombing of Helsinki

NATIONAL, ANNUAL AND FAMILY CELEBRATIONS

The people of Helsinki celebrate in public and in private.

46 May Day
47 Children's Day
48 Athletics and gymnastics competitions, the 1952 Olympics
49 Labour celebrations, employee celebrations
50 Publicity processions and campaigns

51 Annual celebrations: New Year, Easter, Midsummer, Christmas
52 Family celebrations: baptisms, confirmations, engagements, weddings, funerals, birthdays and name days
53 Formal dinners and banquets, evening entertainment

LIVELIHOODS AND OCCUPATIONS

Photographs showing commercial and industrial life in Helsinki. The construction and demolition photographs have been arranged according to street address. Plenty of photographs of public transport. Interior and action photographs of restaurants, cafés and hotels.

54 House construction
54 Demolition work
54 Refurbishment and repair work
54 Details of construction engineering: staircases, tiled stoves, doors, windows
54 Signs
54 Machinery, tools
55 Street and harbour construction, municipal engineering
56 Bridges, bridge construction

57 Industry
58 Wholesale and retail trade. Market halls, department stores, kiosks
58 Advertising
58 Shop windows

59 Horse-drawn transport
59 Motor vehicles
59 Trams
59 Bus depots and tram sheds
59 Helsinki City Transport: employees, premises, operations
59 Air transport
59 Water transport

60 Metal craft
60 Crafts in the construction industry
60 Building management and maintenance
60 Barbers, hairdressers, beauty salons and chiropodists
60 Shoemakers, cobblers, shoe shiners
60 Tailors, outfitters, seamstresses, milliners
60 Divers, ice lifting, log floating
60 Unloading, loading and stevedoring
60 Photography
60 Laundries, ironers
60 Gilders, frame makers, bookbinders
60 Carpenters, furniture makers and upholsterers
60 Fishing, hunting, agriculture, cattle farming, gardening
60 Homemaking

61 Fire service, voluntary fire brigade (VPK)
62 Police, law and order
63 Post and telegraph, couriers
63 Telephone, telephone exchanges
63 Radio and television
63 Newspapers and magazines

64 Public sanitation
65 Park work, gardening
66 Forestry, nature conservation

67 Restaurants, cafés, bars, hotels, boarding houses
68 Cinemas, circus, amusement parks, dancing
69 Saunas, swimming pools

70 Banks, insurance institutions, offices

LIVING

Home photographs are arranged alphabetically by occupant's surname. Photographs of various trends and eras are not arranged in separate drawers.

71 Artists, artists' homes, ateliers
72 Home photographs, temporary abodes

MONUMENTS, CEMETERIES

Photographs of public statues and sculptures, their unveiling and other ceremonies.

73 Monuments
74 Public sculptures
75 Cemeteries

PHOTOS OF SITUATIONS AND STREETS

This group features interesting photographs of situations where location is not the main reason

for selection. There are especially many pictures of children in various situations. Recreational activities are also well represented.

76 Weather conditions, the seasons, natural phenomena
76 Accidents
76 Animals
76 Moving house, evictions
76 Queuing, food rationing

77 Street public, pedestrians, people in parks
78 Children, young people
79 Outdoor activities: beaches, allotment gardens

80 Fashion, working clothes, sports and casual clothing
81 Characters

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Various Helsinki communities, photos of people and activities related to them.

82 Clubs: Svenska klubben, Suomalainen klubi, Handelsgillet
83 Meetings
84 Trade unions, workers' association, community halls
84 Parties, political organisations
84 Feminist movement, Martha Association, sewing circles
84 Charities, Salvation Army, White Ribbon Society, Red Cross
84 Youth clubs, sports clubs, artists' clubs
84 Scout and guide movement
84 City district associations
85 Courses

GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS AND PORTRAITS

Photographs of Helsinki residents as group or family members.

86 Group photographs

88 Family photographs
89 Family life

90 Silhouettes, round photographs

PORTRAITS

Portraits are found separately in alphabetical order.