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40th Oulu International Children's and Youth Film Festival 13–21 November 2021

The Oulu International Children's and Youth Film Festival celebrated its 40th anniversary 13–21 November.

This year, the festival achieved its all-time record number of visitors, with more than 73,000 visitors attending film screenings and auxiliary events.

– Positive films were sought for the festival programme. We are glad that so many got to enjoy them. A large part of the exhilarating number of visitors was covered by the festival's anniversary tour throughout the year, said the festival's operative director **Mika Anttolainen**.

The festival celebration spotlighted international and domestic filmmakers who visited screenings. Guests were also attended the 2nd Oulu Children's Film Forum, where both a professional day and an open-to-all audience day were held.

The festival's 40th anniversary exhibition at the Cultural Centre Valve Gallery, featuring the works of animator **Tini Sauvo**, works from the Oulu Art School and historic festival posters, was visited by more than 4,400 festival-goers.

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