


07	PROJECT NAME The X-Change Tour '02	EXHIBITION HISTORY Saga Center for Seniors Ruusukortteli Service Flats Turku Youth Hostel Pihapiiri Family Center, Raisio	
	LOCATION Around Turku, Finland	DATE 2002	
	MEDIA Shelving	DIMENSIONS 200 x 200 x 40 cm	
	ADDITIONAL INFO See Project 03 (X-Change: No Money Involved)		

The X-Change Tour '02 is an ongoing continuation of the 2001 project X-Change: No Money Involved (Project 03) at the Kupittaa Railway Station. This time Iconoclast wanted to test the shelving in a more closed environment to see, if the anonymous bartering would be accepted as a new method of social interaction. Stories and messages attached to the objects were now put on the foreground, too. For this purpose a special "Book of X-Changes" was designed, to function as a log of stories and memories for the users.

The tour launched at a service center for seniors - seniors have lots of time in their hands and lots of stories and memories to tell. Moreover, their time tends to be leisurely. That's why every new "social tool" is welcome to activate their bodies and minds. After two different centers for seniors, one for richer, one for poorer people, the X-Change shelving was tested in a more dynamic environment, a youth hostel.

Although the X-Change shelving's technical function remains the same, it nevertheless takes on new aspects every time it is introduced to a new social environment. This makes the tour format even more interesting: every user group has its own priorities and ways of dealing with new forms of interaction. Seniors see the shelving as entertainment: the shelving is always in a state of flux which makes it a "news item" - they come often to check if something has changed. Youth, however, take a more pragmatic approach: they check the things they like or need and dump useless stuff. What is common to both groups is the reluctance to leave messages. For Iconoclast this is the greatest challenge: how to create a social tool that would be able to mediate stories anonymously in an easy-to-use format. The project is in process and as new experiences cumulate, Iconoclast tries to adapt to the special needs of people and to develop an even more readily accepted form of interaction.

01. BOOK OF X-CHANGES: THE COVER AND THE FORM FOR MESSAGES




X-CHANGE BOOK OF VAIHTOKIRJA X-CHANGES

Tämä on vaihtokirja. Jätä lokerikoon esine tai vaihda se toiseen. This is a book of x-changes. Leave an object in the locker or exchange it for another.

Jos haluat, voit täyttää kirjassa olevan lomakkeen. Jätä viesti. Kirjoita tarina tai piirrä kuva. You can fill in a sheet in this book, if you like. Leave a note, tell a story or draw a picture.

Vaihtaminen ilman rahaa on hauskaa! Exchanging without money is fun!

■ CHANGE – vaihtopöytä on osa Iconoclastin No Money Involved (NMI) -projektia, joka tukee vaihtoehtoisia ja spontaanisia tapoja vaihtaa tavaroita ja viestejä.
 The CHANGE system is a part of the No Money Involved (NMI) project by Iconoclast. The project explores alternative and spontaneous ways to exchange commodities and messages.



Vaihtokirja/Book of X-Changes Viestilomake/Message Sheet x2

Jätä viesti/Leave a Message! Lokero/Locker:

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Päiväys/Date:

Jätä viesti/Leave a Message! Lokero/Locker:

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Päiväys/Date:

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02. ASSEMBLY HALL AT THE SAGA CENTER FOR SENIORS, TURKU



03. ASSEMBLY HALL AT THE RUUSUKORTTELI SERVICE FLATS, TURKU



04. THE TURKU YOUTH HOSTEL

