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## TWIN TOWN BRIEF PROJECT REPORT

Title of project: Finnish Author in Literature Week of Sarpsborg 2016

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Schedule: 7.-8.11.2016

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### Objective/Goal:

To find and send a Finnish author to Literature Week of Sarpsborg to give a lecture about Tolkien and Kalevala (Finnish National Epic written in 1835 by Elias Lönnrot).

### Operation:

Finnish author, anthropologist and doctor of philosophy Jenny Kangasvuo attended the Literature week. Jenny Kangasvuo has written a fantasy novel (2012) called Sudenveri (Blood of the Wolf) and several short stories. She has also made drawings and paintings for fantasy stories. Jenny Kangasvuo gave two lectures during the second part (Fantasy) of the 'Historisk symposium'. Title of the first lecture was 'Finnish Weird – Fantastic excursions to the land of thousand lakes' in which she told about the emerging literature genre, Finnish Weird. Title of the second lecture was 'Tolkien and Kalevala – The adventures of antiheroes' in which she focused on the meaning of Kalevala as an inspiration for Tolkien. Flights and expenses in Norway were bayed by the city of Sarpsborg and the fee of the lectures by the town of Forssa.

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