



Suomen kuurojen historiaseura ry -
Finlands dövhistoriska sällskap rf

C.O. Malm 200th Anniversary Celebration Weekend in Porvoo

The Finnish Deaf History Society would like to invite Deaf and sign language communities from all over Finland to celebrate a festive weekend in beautiful Porvoo on **16–18 October 2026**. On Friday, there will be an informal evening at the Porvoo Deaf Association. On Saturday, there will be guided tours, and the main celebration will take place from 19:00 to 22:00 at Villa Haikko, Edelfeltinpolku 10, 06400 Porvoo. On Sunday, there will be guided tours and a sign language church service at Porvoo Cathedral. Participants may wear national costume if they wish.

The Finnish Deaf History Society kindly requests binding registrations by 31 August 2026 at: kuurojenhistoria@gmail.com

If you wish to stay at Hotel Haikko, please make your own room reservation by 18 September 2026 via the website haikko.fi using the promo code ALLNORDIC2026.
Hotel Haikko Manor & Spa, Haikkoentie 114, 06400 Porvoo

Please note: Even if you do not require accommodation, you must still register with the Historical Society. The main celebration can accommodate only 230 participants.

Programme:

Friday 16 October

17:00–21:00 Club evening of Porvoo Seudun Kuurot ry
Gammelbacka Wellbeing Centre, Tornipolku 10, 06400 Porvoo

Saturday 17 October

10:00–15:00 Guided tours
Tour of former Deaf schools in Porvoo – Kankurikuja and Lukiokatu 5–7, 06100 Porvoo
11:00 Opening ceremony for invited guests of the C.O. Malm exhibition at the Runeberg Home Museum, Aleksanterinkatu 3, 06100 Porvoo
14:00–16:00 Meeting of the Nordic Deaf History Societies
16:00–19:00 Free time
19:00–22:00 Celebration of the C.O. Malm 200th Anniversary in the banquet hall of Haikko Restaurant, Festive buffet dinner, €85 per person (Please note: limited to 230 guests only)

Sunday 18 October

11:00–14:30 Guided tours of the former Deaf schools in Porvoo and the Old Cemetery
15:00–17:00 Sign language church service at Porvoo Cathedral,
Deaf priest Janne Rissanen