

## **Ransu Karvakuono's Anniversary Exhibition**

**At the Media Museum Rupriikki on 12.4.-31.8.2008**

From April to August, Rupriikki celebrates Ransu Karvakuono's 30th anniversary. Joining the fun are naturally all three Karvakuono (*Furry muzzles*) puppets, Ransu, Riku and Uncle Elmeri. The exhibition displays many different Karvakuono-puppets, their vehicles and other incidental accessories from many different adventures of the Karvakuonos, as well as numerous colorful, unforgettable stories from the TV studio and filming tours around Finland.

In 1977 a children's programme called Pikku Kakkonen first began airing. Soon it was realised that the presenters needed an adaptable and keen-to-learn video retriever. Eevaliisa sent Franciscus for the job. This is how Franciscus the dog was launched on a television career in October 1978. The adventures of the Karvakuonos began on TV2, and the rest is history of children's programming. The Karvakuonos have made programmes both at the studio and outdoors for Pikku Kakkonen, using a wide range of vehicles. On TV, Ransu was given a voice by Pertti Nättilä, while Pekka Salo lent his voice to Uncle Elmeri and Kalevi Honkanen to Riku. The Karvakuonos were directed by Olli Löytönen.

Ransu Karvakuono's anniversary exhibition will continue until end of August in Rupriikki.