Elonet

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- Finnish movie database on the Internet
- Maintained by the National Audiovisual Archive (formerly Finnish Film Archive) and Finnish Board of Film Classification
- Provides information on Finnish films and foreign films distributed in Finland

- Contains film credits, information on persons and companies involved in film-making, and information on screenings in Finland
- Does NOT try to compete for instance with IMDb (and it would be impossible due to limited resources) but can provide checked-up information on Finnish films and screenings of films in Finland

- Finnish Board of Film Classification provides information on ratings (age limits) of films, National Audiovisual Archive provides almost all other information
- Elonet contents is exported from internal databases of these two organisations – no need for separate database maintenance

 Credits of Finnish feature films will be more accurate in following years through the digitising project of the Finnish National Filmography: the series of 12 volumes has been digitised, the text mass is being checked and revised, to be incorporated in the National Audiovisual Archive's database and further into Elonet

- Elonet contains also still photographs of Finnish feature films
- Now 1200 stills from 300 different films
- Negotiations go on with right-owners in order to add more photographs
- Addition of moving image material is planned, starting with short films owned by the National Audiovisual Archive

- Names of data fields in Elonet are available in Swedish and English (the data itself is in Finnish)
- By using Special Search option there is possibility to search for films on the basis of data contained in any data field in Elonet, or by a combination of data items.
- Elonet has been on-line since May 2006

In 2007:

- 1,2 million visits
- 8,2 million page downloads
- 450 customer feedbacks