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**Some ideas of the Estonian polar art and architecture now and in the future**

In the art museums collections there are traditional paintings, drawings and sculptures. The mythical North is described in the Estonian national ephos Kalevipoeg and it is possible to feel it also in the art. But you can find polar art in different small museums in Estonia and at the Estonian Maritime Museum is the collection of graphic drawings of polar ships.

It is also interesting to explore how the arctic symbols were used in the design of the different items. Why was polar bear so popular in the 30-ties of the last century that it was used even on the can of the Baltic sprats. There was an sculpture of the polar bear even at the beach of the popular resort Haapsalu.

It is an old tradition that explorers took artist with them. So it was done last year by Estonian expedition that celebrated 200 years of the discovery of Antarctica. In the language of art you can express the vulnarability of the nature of Antarctica, sometimes more than in the words. Now there have been three exhibitions and also the music performance during the Jazz festival.

During the last years there is group of young artists, who are more interested in polar subjects. Their teacher has worked with landscape design for educational trails in the Russian Arctic national park in Franz Joseph Land. The students of the Estonian Art Institut have worked out the design of the polar stations in the Arctic and Antarctic, there have been exhibitions and workshops