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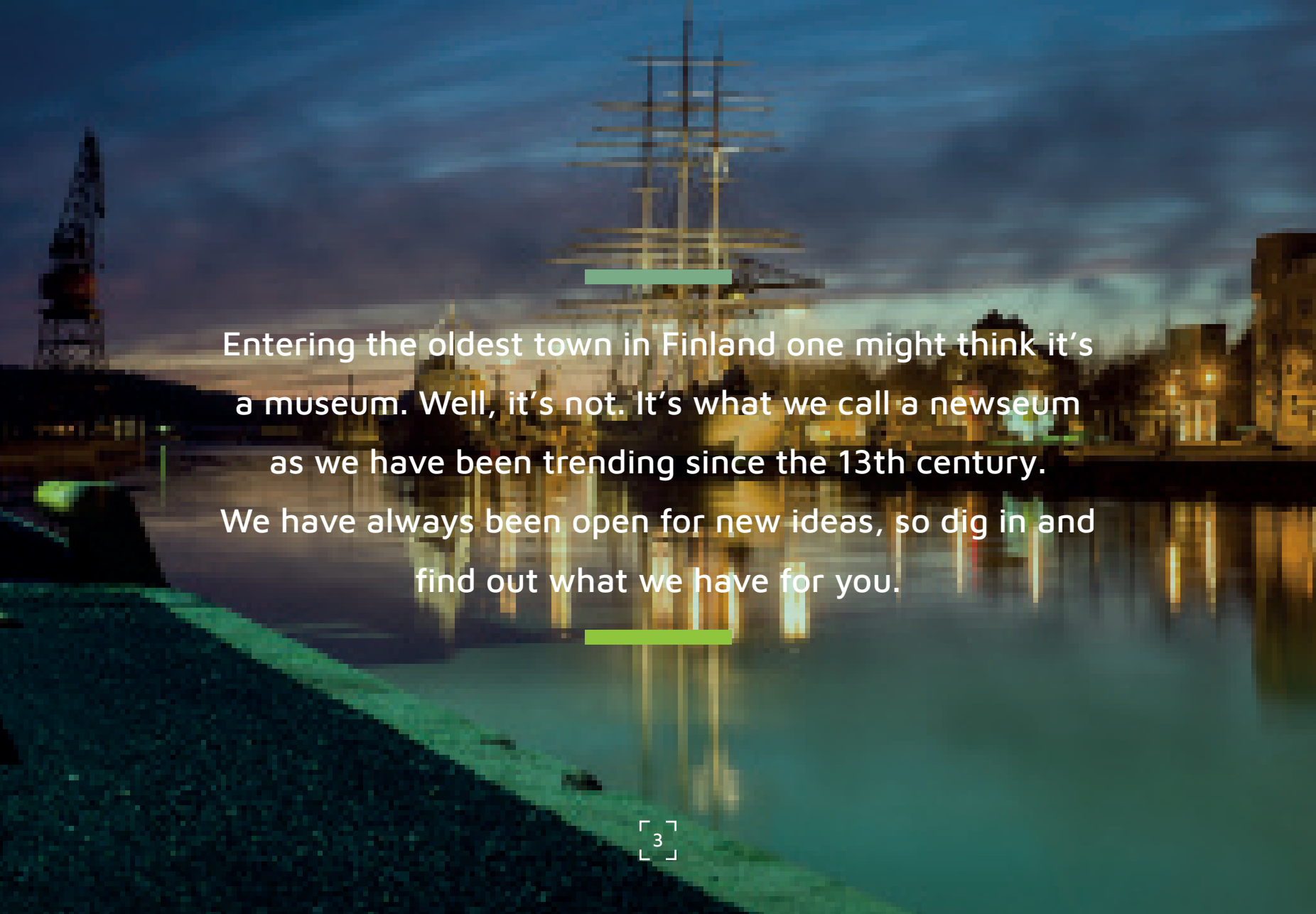
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Our locations are just what you
would expect to find in Turku.
The unexpected.



Entering the oldest town in Finland one might think it's a museum. Well, it's not. It's what we call a newseum as we have been trending since the 13th century. We have always been open for new ideas, so dig in and find out what we have for you.

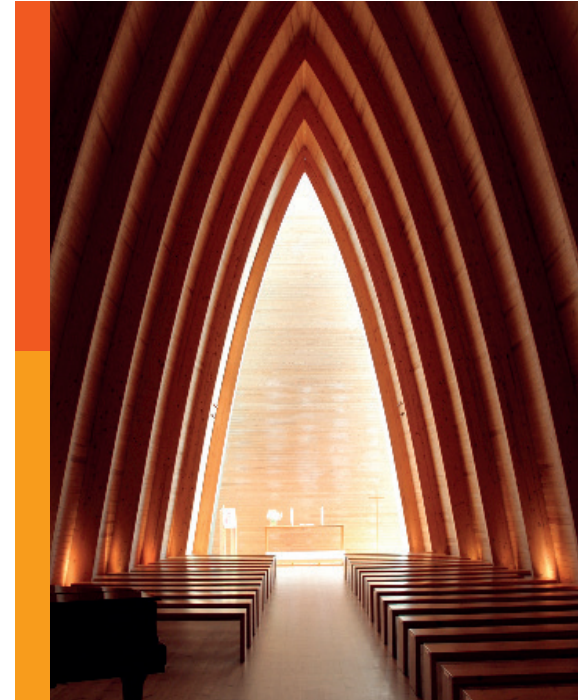


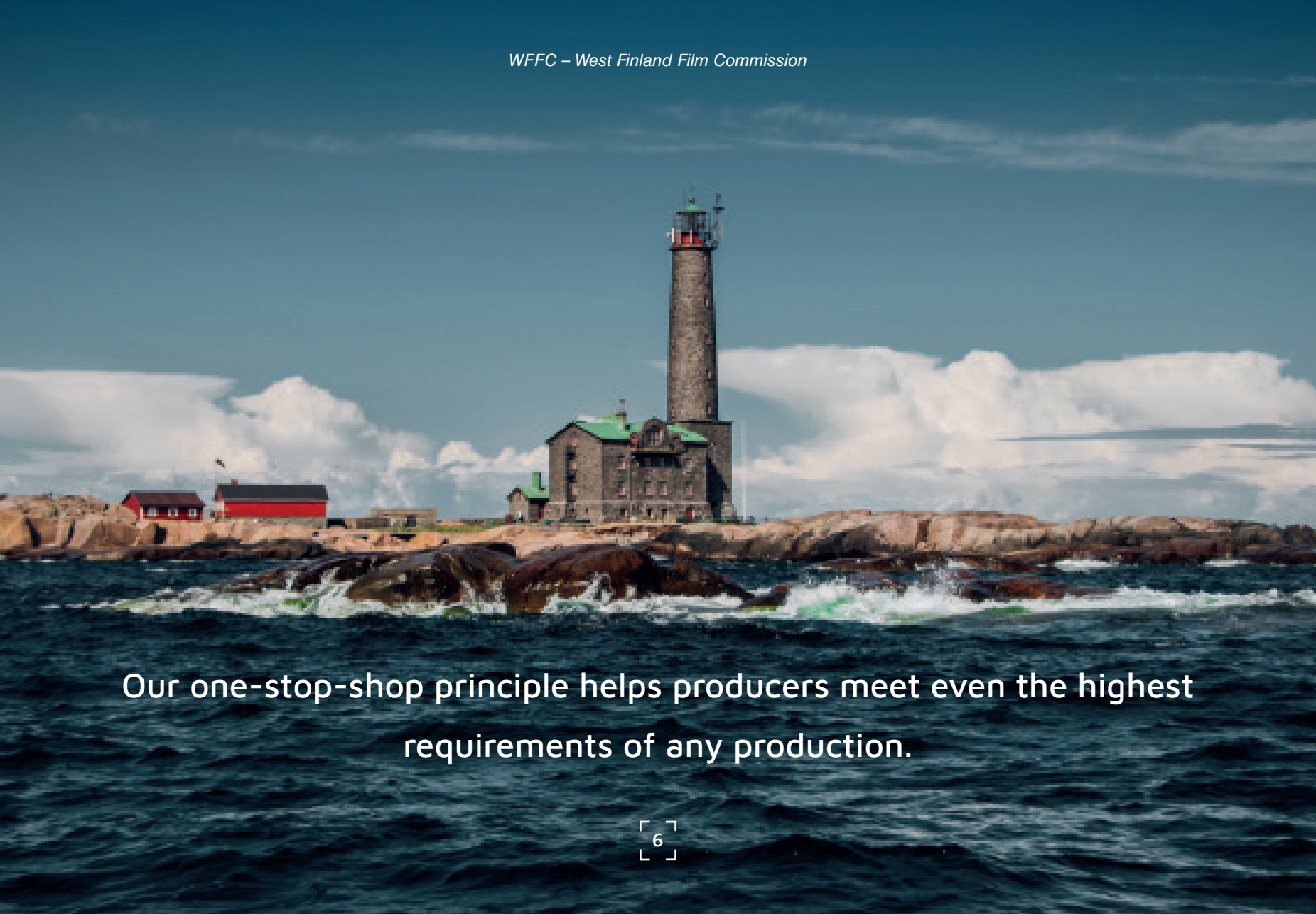
The largest archipelago in the world,
in a medieval-meets-modern city milieu.

The West Finland Film Commission promotes our regions to international and national film and TV productions, and is deeply committed to developing the local audiovisual industry.

The West Finland Film Commission offers film production companies a uniquely beautiful production environment close to the densest archipelago in the world, in a medieval-meets-modern city milieu. The Arts Academy at Turku University of Applied Sciences is an internationally acclaimed film and animation academy, and collaborates with the film commission and provides productions with trainees of various skillsets.

The WFFC is located in Turku (Åbo is Swedish) and works within Turku Science Park Ltd, a regional development organization for numerous sectors. The WFFC is a member of AFCI (The Association of Film Commissioners International). The WFFC is also part of the national Finland Film Commission banner, together with the other regional film commissions of Finnish Lapland, North Finland, East Finland, South East Finland, and Tampere. As the Finland Film Commission, we promote the whole of Finland as a filming location and production services destination.





Our one-stop-shop principle helps producers meet even the highest requirements of any production.

WEST FINLAND FILM COMMISSION SERVICES



Versatile
financing



Helping with
transportation, catering
and accommodation



Location scouting and
shooting permits



Wardrobe services
through the WFFC's
costume department



Information and
recruiting of local
film professionals and
assistants



Information on local
production companies,
studios and production
facilities



Information on renting
production equipment



Connections to local
businesses

The WFFC is a service provider for film, television and commercial production companies. We do our very best to match your every need.

Financing

As the largest regional film commission in Finland, the WFFC also finances projects in the form of production support. Financing is based on local expenditure, meaning production costs must amount to a minimum of quadruple the sum of granted production support. Support can come in the form of payment, or alternatively the commission can directly cover production service costs. In addition to local and national financing, the commission also helps productions find private equity.

Please note that the WFFC does not finance film development or marketing. Financing decisions are made by Film Commissioner Teija Raninen.



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The Finnish 25% Cash Rebate

Qualifying production formats: feature films, documentaries, scripted TV drama and animation.

Qualifying applicants: Finnish and foreign production companies. If the applicant/recipient is a foreign company, it is required that the recipient holds a written service contract with a production coordinator who has a Finnish business ID.

	Feature Film	Documentary	TV Drama, Animation
Minimum spend in Finland (euros)	150.000	50.000	250.000
Minimum total budget of the production (euros)	2.500.000	325.000	5.500/min

All applicants are required to have a distribution agreement for at least one platform or one territory. Applications are ongoing and processed on a first come, first served basis. The annual budget is 10 million euros, and has been secured through to 2019. Qualifying costs in Finland are local expenditure spanning from pre to post-production. Payment of funding is possible during production. Read more: www.finlandcashrebate.fi.

Establishing or expanding a business in Finland is easy





Western Finland and the Turku region are vibrant places to set up a business in Finland, and now with Finland's recently introduced production incentive it's one of the best times to do so. The West Finland Film Commission is one of the official international promoters of the 25% cash rebate that was introduced in January of 2017. And if you set up a business in Turku, we will work hard to promote your business as services eligible for international productions applying for the rebate, as well as local expenditure under regional WFFC financing.

The WFFC offers our support when you decide to set up a business in Western Finland, and even provides businesses new to Turku with six months' free office space, and works closely with our local Business Service Center Potkuri, which offers free services for starting a business. We also make sure to matchmake you with potential clients right from the get-go, so your business can flourish and function as an integral part of the regional and national audiovisual sector.

Establishing or expanding a business in Finland is easy, as there are only a few quick steps:



Select a name for your company



Open a bank account for your business



File a start of the business notification
via a single form



Take advantage of online tools with online
banking credentials



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