

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

1983-86 CNA BA/Honours, West Surrey College of Art and Design,
University of Surrey, England, Three dimensional design/Glass
1981-82 University of Helsinki, Finland, design and product planning
for small and medium-size industries
1979-80 University of Tampere, Finland, History of Art
1972-74 Kankaanpää School of Art, Visual Arts, Finland

ACTIVITIES

2019 Visitor Artist, NuGO Nuutajärvi April-May
2018 Artist of the month April, Artist O/Ornamo
2017,2018 Music & Media Finland, glass statue, Tampere Music Award
2016-17 Design production Venda glassvase serie
2003 Working visit, Måleros Glassworks, Måleros, Sverige
2002 Working visit, Studio Italo Ballarin, Venice, Italy
1998 Working visit, A.Tzomianakhe Creta Glass, Creta
1995- Glass Studio Taru Syrjänen, Tampere, Finland
1993 Seminar of Venice and American glassblowing techniques, Taik,
Nuutajärvi, working with Venetsian glassblower Lino Tagliapietra
1991-92 Classical Arts Integration Course, Sibelius-Academy Education Center,
Helsinki, Finland. Finally the field trip to Athens, Greece
1991 Designer, Hacman Iittala Oy Ab, Iittala Glass, Finland
1988-90 Designer, Iittala-Nuutajärvi Oy, Iittala Glass, Finland
1988 Freelance designer, Nuutajärvi Glass of Iittala-Nuutajärvi Oy, Finland
1985-87 Freelance designer, Nuutajärvi Glassworks of Oy Wärtsilä Ab, Finland
1982-84 Freelance product designer, Humppila Glassworks, Finland
1981 Practising product designer, Humppila Glassworks, Finland
1978,79 Teacher on summer courses: Art Happening in Hämeenkyrö, ceramics
1976-80 Teacher, Pirkkala Open College for Adults /ceramics
1975-81 Ceramics Studio Satu & Taru Syrjänen, Tampere, Finland

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITIONS

2002-2012 Unique glass gifts for state visit of the President of Finland
1991 The Museum of Modern Art New York, Purje vase-series in sales collection
1990 The International Design Yearbook 1990/91, England, with the work Summer

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2015-16 Hiekka Art Museum, Tampere, Finland, Exploration, Art Glass 1997-2015
2013 Studio Gallery, Jubilee Exhibition, Glass 30 Years, Tampere, Finland
2011 Jorma Panula-Foundation, Piiparila, Kirkkonummi, Finland
2011 Willa MAC, Finnish Contemporary Art Museum, Tampere, Finland
2007-08 The Tampere Theatre, Frenckell, Finland
2006 Iittala Art Center, Finland, On the Way to Mind
2006 Gallery Saskia, Tampere, Finland
2006 Varkaus Art Museum, Finland, Artist's 25th Anniversary Exhibition
2005 Design Year 2005, invitation Täky-Gallery, Lappeenranta, Finland
2004-05 The Finnish Institute in Madrid, Spain, Impresiones Nordicas
2000 Voipaala Art Center, Valkeakoski, Finland
Invitation exhibition, Arts Council of Pirkanmaa
2000 Tampere-house, Tampere, Finland, Glass Garden
1999 Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland, Strata II
1998 Gallery Rökkälä, Kankaanpää, Finland, invitation exhibition
1998 Museum of Häme, Tampere, Finland, Strata
1992 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki Finland, Uniting 3
1991 Gallery IXIA, Tampere Finland, Uniting 2
1990 Iittala Glass Museum, Iittala, Finland, "From an Idea to the Product"
1990 New York Tabletop & Accessories Show, New York, USA
1990 Kankaanpää School of Art, 25th Anniversary Exhibition, Finland
1988 Gallery Verkaranta, Tampere, Finland, "Uniting"
1986-88 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finland, WSCAD unique glass collection

GROUP EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND

2015 Finnish Design- and Artglass, Arts and Craft Center Verkaranta, Tampere
2015 Finnish Glass Lives 7, Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki
2014-2016 Finnish Baptismal Font Design Exhibition, 8 other Cities: Oulu, Turku,

Helsinki, Jyväskylä, Lahti, Kuopio, Seinäjoki, Tampere, Helsinki
2014 Pirkanmaa Designs 5, Jewelry, MODUS, Art-Hall TR1, Tampere
2014 Magnificent Ladies from Tampere, Museum Center VAPRIIKKI, Tampere
2013 Design Exhibition of Baptismal Font, Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki
2013 Gallery Angelo, Pori, Trilogy for Light
2011 The main library METSO, Tampere, Mansedesign, MODUS
2011 Urkin Piilopirtti, Pinsiön Majat Oy, Pinsiö
2010 Art Center PURNU, Orivesi, the invite exhibition, Sleep of the Bird
2010 Finnish Design- and Artglass, Arts and Craft Center Verkaranta, Tampere
2010 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finnish Glass Lives 6
2009 Art-hall TR1, Tampere, MODUS, Pirkanmaa Designs 3
2008 SuviDesign, Purnu, Orivesi
2008-2012 Art-Nuuttila summer exhibitions, Virrat
2007 AMERICA! The National Art Competition, invitation, Art Center Heinola
2007 Art-hall TR1, Tampere, MODUS, Pirkanmaa Designs 2
2006 Gallery Broms, Helsinki, Finland, le Triologue
2006 Pirkanmaa III Triennial, Art-hall TR1, Finlayson, Tampere
2006 Villa Keisarinharju, Kangasala, Harmony
2005 Mäntyharjun Marmorisali, Mäntyharju, Finland
2005 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finnish Glass Lives 5
2005 Art-hall TR1, Finlayson, Tampere, MODUS, Pirkanmaa designs
2004,05,11 Villa Keisarinharju, Kangasala, Arte & Psyke
2003-04 Museum Centre Vapriikki, Tampere, Material & Message
2003 The National Museum of Finland, Helsinki, Taiko 20th Anniversary exhibition
2001 Museum of Lohja, Glass lives, Finnish Glass Museum
2001 Gallery Villa Jankovsky, Kajaani
2000 Haihara Art Center, Tampere, Voipaala Art Center, Valkeakoski
2000 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finland, Finnish Glass Lives 4
1998 Haihara Art Center, Tampere, Modus -98
1998 Design Forum, Helsinki, Finnish Design 10
1995 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finnish Glass Lives 3
1994 Hvitcat Gallery, Hvitträsk
1993 Nuutajärvi glass factory gallery, Glass Session
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1991 Iittala glass factory summer exhibition, Glass Fantasy
1991 Nuutajärvi glass factory gallery
1990 Old Library House Gallery, Tampere
1990 Design Museum, Helsinki, Finnish Design 1990
1990 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finnish Glass Lives 2
1990 Arabia-Esplanad Gallery, Helsinki, Glass Visit
1989 Glass Fantasy, Iittala
1986 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finnish Glass Lives
1979 Museum of Modern Art, Tampere
1978 Hämeenkyrö Art Happening
1976 Museum of Modern Art, Tampere
1974 Art Museum, Tampere, 41st Year Exhibition of the Tampere Artists Association

GROUP EXHIBITIONS WORLDWIDE

2010 The Vevring Exhibition 2010, the Nordic countries, Vevring, Norway
2009 Finnish Glass Art 2000-2005, Finnish Glass Museum:
State Gallery, Banska Bystica, Slovakia
2008 Glascetrum Gernheim, Germany
The Museum of Applied Arts in Latvia, Riika
2007 Museum of Turkish and Islamic Arts, Istanbul, Turkey
The National Museum of Wroclaw, Poland
2006-07 Stichting National Glassmuseum, Leerdam, the Netherlands
2006 Musée du verre Carmaux, France
Conseil Général de Meurthe et Moselle, Nancy, France
2005 Steninge Palace Cultural Centre, Märsta, Sweden,
Steninge World Exhibition of Art Glass 2005
2004 Gallery Sala Barna, Barcelona, Spain, Transparent Minds-glass installation
2001-04 Finandia - Vanguardia en Vidrio, organised by the Finnish Glass Museum
Fazination glas - Tendenzen in der Finnischen glasskunst:
2004 Galerie Brigitte Kurzendörfer Schloss Glassmuseum, Pilsach, Germany
Glasmuseum Gernheim, Petershagen, Germany
2003-04 Stadsmuseum Schleswig, Schleswig, Germany
2003 Fellehuis Galleri, Berlin, Germany
2003 Museo de Historia Mexicana, Monterrey, Mexico
2002-03 Franz Mayer Museum, México, Mexico
2002 Museo do Vidro, Marinha Grande, Portugal
2001 Museo de Pontevedra, Pontevedra, Spain
2001 Fundacion Centro Nacional del Vidrio, La Granja, Spain
2003 The Museum of Applied Arts in Budapest, Hungary: Material & Message,
2002-03 Steninge World Exhibition of Art Glass 2002:
Steninge Palace Cultural Centre, Märsta, Sweden; Hadeland Glassverk, Norway
2000-02 Nordic Glass 2000:
2002 Fossakleiberg, Norway

2001-02 M.K. Ciurlionis Art Museum, Kaunas, Lithuania
 2001 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finland
 2000 Den Nordatlantiske Brygge, Copenhagen, Denmark
 1998 Forsiktig Glass! - Selected Nordic Glass Art, Hå Gamle Prestegard, Norway
 1991-94 Vidrio Finlandes Contemporaneo, Contemporary Finnish Glass,
 organized by Museum of Art and Design Finland:
 1994 Museu Nacional do Azulejo, Lisbon, Portugal
 1993 Museu Nacional de Soares dos Reis, Porto, Portugal, Rabat, Morocco
 1991-92 Fundación Centro Nacional del Vidrio, La Granja, Secovia,
 Centre Permanent d'Artesania, Barcelona,
 de la Generalitat de Catalunya, Barcelona, Spain
 1991-93 Art of Glass and Tapestry, organized by Museum of Art and Design Finland
 1993 Santiago de Chile, Chile
 1992 Buenos Aires, Mendoza, Córdoba, Argentine
 1991 Sao Paulo, Rio de Janeiro and Brazil, Brazil
 1992 Neues Glas in Finland, New Glass in Finland, organized by Finnish Glass Museum
 Nürberg, München, Germany; Graz, Austria; Solothurn, Switzerland
 1989 NK-Gallery, Made in Tavastland, Stockholm, Sweden
 1987-88 Finnish Glass, organized by Finnish Glass Museum
 Museum of Applied Arts, Tallinn; Museum of Art and Design, Moscow,
 Hermitage Art Museum, Leningrad
 1987,88- Frankfurt International Fair, Germany

COLLECTIONS AND PUBLIC SPACES

Hiekka Art Museum, Tampere, Finland
 Nursing Sphere of Pirkanmaa, Raimo Anttila Foundation
 Willa Mac, The Museum of Finnish Contemporary Art, Tampere
 The Church of Pispala, Tampere, Finland
 State of Finland Art Collections
 Finnish Institute in Madrid, Spain
 The Museum of Applied Arts, Budapest, Hungary
 Finnish Foreign Ministry
 Finnish Designmuseum, Helsinki, Finland
 Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finland
 City of Tampere, Finland
 Museum of Modern Art, Tampere, Finland
 Private collections in Finland and abroad

MEMBERSHIPS

2013- Tampere Artists' Association, Finland
 2006- Ornamo Art and Design Finland, Artists O
 2001- MODUS, Pirkanmaa Association of Art and Design, Finland
 1986-2007 ORNAMO/TAIKO, Finnish Association of Designers, Helsinki, Finland
 1975-2001 INTERI, Association of Art & Design, Tampere, Finland

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2015 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Pirkanmaa Regional fund
 2014 Arts Promotion Centre, Helsinki, Finland
 2013 City of Tampere, Finland
 2012 Arts Council of Pirkanmaa, Finland
 2008 City of Tampere, Finland
 2007 National Council for Design, Helsinki, Finland
 2006 Finnish Cultural Foundation Central Fund
 2005 Oskar Öflund Foundation, Helsinki, Finland
 2004 Arts Council of Pirkanmaa, Finland
 2003 National Council for Design, Helsinki, Finland
 2002 City of Tampere, Finland
 2001 National Council for Design, Helsinki, Finland
 2000 Oskar Öflund Foundation, Helsinki, Finland
 1999 Oskar Öflund Foundation, Helsinki, Finland
 1999 Board for Compensation Grants to Visual Artists, Helsinki
 1997 City of Tampere, Finland
 1997, 99 State Council for Crafts and Design, Helsinki, Finland
 1994 County of Häme, Commission for Art, Finland
 1992 Arabia Cultural Foundation, Helsinki, Finland
 1991, 93 Central Art Council, Helsinki, Finland
 1990 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Häme Regional fund
 1987 Central Art Council, Helsinki, Finland
 1985 Nuutajärvi Glassworks / Oy Wärtsilä Ab, Finland
 1983, 88 City of Tampere, Finland
 1980, 83 County of Häme, Finland
 1979 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Pirkanmaa Regional fund
 1978,79 City of Tampere, Finland

TRAVEL-SUPPORTS

2005 Art Council of Finland, Madrid
 2003 Arts Council of Pirkanmaa, Budapest

