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Born in Pudasjärvi, Finland

EDUCATION:

- 1995 Master of Arts, The University of Art and Design, Helsinki
- 1993 Erasmus-scholarship, Gerrit Rietvelt Academie, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 1992 Nordplus-scholarship, College of Art and Design, Stockholm, Sweden

MEMBERSHIPS:

Association of Finnish Sculptors
Helsinki Artist's Association

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS:

Artist Book Collection, Rikhardinkatu Library, Helsinki
State of Finland Art Collection
Kunsthalle Szompathely, Szombathelyi, Hungary

WORKS OF ART IN PUBLIC POSSESSION:

- 2008 Kulosaari Church, Helsinki, Finland
Kontio Loghouses, Headquarters, Pudasjärvi, Finland
- 2005 Cultural Centre in Bethlehem, Palestine
(Architect Juha Leiviskä)
- 2003 Tapulikaupunki Parish Hall, Helsinki, Finland
- 2002 Parish Councils Chapel, Helsinki, Finland
- 2001 Herttoniemenranta Chapel, Helsinki, Finland
- 1997 Harju Funeral Chapel, Mikkeli, Finland
(Architect Juha Leiviskä, Architect Rosemarie Shnitzer)

Works of art in private collections in Finland, Sweden, Japan, Ireland and England

SOLO EXHIBITIONS, INSTALLATIONS AND PERFORMANCES IN FINLAND

- 2018 Memento, The Craft Museum Finland, 7.1. - 15.4.2018, Jyväskylä
(U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2014 *Eine Kleine Wunderkammer*, Malmi Gallery, Helsinki
- 2012 *The Beauty of Misunderstanding*, Rikhardinkatu Library, Helsinki
- 2011 Galleria Johan S., Helsinki
Angel's Swings, installation, The Old Church Park, Helsinki
Gallery Stoa, Helsinki
- 2003 Gallery Katariina, Helsinki
- 1999 Gallery Into, Helsinki
Cortegé, performance on the Bay of Töölö, Night of Arts, Helsinki

- 1997 *Angel's Swings*, installation, Kuhmo Chamber Music Festivals, Finland
Cortegé, performance on the Lake Vesijärvi, Mukkula, Lahti, Finland
Angel's Swings, installation, Mukkula, Lahti, Finland
- 1996 Installation, Kamppi underground metro station, Helsinki, Finland
- 1994 Installation, Gallery Vanha, Helsinki, Finland
 Installation, The Main Library of Oulu, Finland
- 1993 Gallery Vanha, Drawings, Helsinki, Finland
 Pohjantähti, Drawings, Pudasjärvi, Finland

SOLO EXHIBITIONS, INSTALLATIONS AND PERFORMANCES ABROAD

- 2007 *Reflections*, Limerick Printmakers Studio and Gallery, Limerick, Ireland
- 2006 *Fairies and Fallen Angels*, Foyer, County Museum, Ennis, Ireland
- 2004 St Paul's Church, Smithfield, Dublin, Ireland
 "The Path of Bells" – Performance:
 The performance started with the ringing of bells in succession from four city churches. Twenty ringers representing Christ Church Cathedral and St. Augustine & John's Church (John's Lane) "rang the changes" from the following towers: St. Paul's, Arran Quay, 6pm, John's Lane, Thomas St., 6.15pm, St. Audoen's, Cornmarket, 6.30pm, Christ Church Cathedral, 6.45pm ... and again at 7pm in St. Paul's, when the exhibition was formally opened.
 These bells were dedicated to the bellringers, who rang the bells in St. Paul's in 1843.
- 2004 Gallery of the Institution of Finland, Berlin, Germany
- 2003 Marktkirche, Essen, Germany
- 2000 Gallery of the Institution of Finland, Stockholm, Sweden
- 1999 Embassy of Finland, Washington, D.C, USA

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND

- 2019 *Connotations VI*, Gallery Vanha Kappalaisentalo, Porvoo
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2017 *Connotations IV*, Gallery Saskia, Tampere
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
Connotations III, Valve Gallery, Oulu
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2016 *Connotations II*, Gallery Malmitalo, Helsinki
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2015 *Connotations I*, Poriginal Gallery, Pori
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2008 Gallery Laterna Magica, Helsinki
 (K. Haahti, K. Poijula)

SELECTED NATIONAL OR REGIONAL EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND

- 2019 Kasvu ja lähtö - hiukset nykyaikaisessa ja kulttuurihistoriassa
 Oulun taidemuseo, 11.5. - 15.9.2019
- 2018 BELA BIENNIAL - III Biennial of European and Latin American Contemporary Art
 Caple Factory, Helsinki
- 2017 Book Art Exhibition II (Suomi 100), Gallery Katariina, Helsinki
- 2016 ArtHelsinki, Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki Exhibition and Convention Center

- 2015 Purnu Art Center, Orivesi
Nordic Book Art Exhibition, Gallery Jangva, Helsinki
- 2014 XIX Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä
- 2013 Book Art Exhibition, Gallery Katariina, Helsinki
Pyhäniemi Manor Art Exhibition, Hollola
- 2010 ArtHelsinki 2010, Helsinki Exhibition and Convention Center, Helsinki
- 2009 Luxus, Design Forum Finland
Art Fair Suomi, Muury, Cable Factory, Helsinki
- 2001 Happiness, Textile Art Exhibition, Museum of Central Finland, Jyväskylä
- 1999 Textile Triennial 5, Museum of Applied Arts, Helsinki

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS ABROAD

- 2018 *Connotations V*, Tampere-Maja, Tartu, Estonia
- 2016 The 3rd International Exhibition BOOK-ART OBJECT 3, Belgrade, Serbia
- 2015 Gallery Astley, Uttersberg, Sweden
- 2013 *Artist Books*, Herceg Novi, Montenegro
Book-Art Object 2, National Library on Serbia, Belgrade, Serbia
- 2012 *Between tradition and future*, Experimental Craft and Contemporary Design from Finland, Cheongju Craft Biennale, South Korea
16 steps closer, Vilnius Academy of Art Exposition Halls, Titanikas, Lithuania
- 2011 *16 steps closer*, Nordic Baltic Designers Event, Riga Art Space, Latvia
Collect, The International Art Fair for Contemporary Objects, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
- 2010 *Luxus -09*, The Artothèque de Caen, Caen, France
- 2009 *Signals*, Flow Gallery, London, UK
- 2006 *Tulca*, Festival of Visual Arts, Fairgreen Gallery, Galway, Ireland
- 2005 The 175th Annual Exhibition, Royal Hibernian Academy, Dublin, Ireland
OFFSIDE LIVE II, performance evening, Hugh Lane Gallery, Dublin, Ireland
National Group Exhibition, Wicklow Town, Ireland
Sculpture in Context, Botanic Gardens, Dublin, Ireland
Hunt the Postcard, The Hunt Museum, Limerick, Ireland
- 2000 13th Internationale Minitextile Biennial, Kunsthalle Szombathely, Hungary
- 1999 *Look through*, läpikuultavia pintoja, Textil Kultur Haslach, Austria
- 1997 Gallery Space 21, Tokyo, Japan (C. Sato/M. Rokumura/K. Poijula)
Gallery Maronie, Kyoto, Japan C. Sato/M. Rokumura/K. Poijula)
- 1996 11th Internationale Minitextile Biennial, Kunsthalle Szombathely, Hungary
Finnish Lines, Manchester Metropolitan Galleries, England
- 1994 Nordic Art and Design, The Swedish Museum of Textile History, Borås, Sweden
- 1992 Our Common Environment, St Petersburg, Russia

AWARDS, GRANTS

- 2017 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, grant for working group
(S. Dickhoff, U. Pohjola, K. Kaikkonen, K. Poijula)
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- 2014 Arts Council of Helsinki Metropolitan Region, grant for artistic work
- 2007 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, grant for working group

- 2005 Context Award for a large outdoor work of distinction, "Sculpture in Context" exhibition, National Botanical Gardens, Dublin, Ireland
- 2003 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, project grant
- 2002 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, public display grant
- 2000 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Regional Fund, grant for artistic work
- 1999 Travel Grant (The National Arts Council), exhibition in Washington
Finnish Cultural Foundation, project grant
State Grant to Artists, grant for artistic work
- 1998 The Alfred Kordelin Foundation, grant for artistic work and organising exhibition
City of Helsinki, grant for artistic work
- 1996 Alfred Kordelin Foundation, residence grant for working group
The City of Helsinki Cultural office, grant for artistic work
The Scandinavian-Japan Sasakawa Foundation, grant for organising exhibitions in Tokyo and Kyoto
Finnish Association of Designers, ORNAMO, project grant
Arts Promotion Centre Finland, project grant
- 1995 Award for Excellent Master's thesis, The University of Art and Design, Helsinki

ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

- 2000 Scandinavian Society of Art and Science in Rome, Italy
- 1996 The Finnish Cultural Institute in New York , USA

OTHER EDUCATION

- 2012 Post graduate degree in teacher education
HAAGA-HELIA University of Applied Sciences

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Metropolia, University of Applied Sciences, Helsinki. Burren Collage of Art, Ireland.
HAAGA-HELIA University of Applied Sciences. Keskuspuisto Vocational Collage, Helsinki.
Vantaa Adult Education Centre. Helsinki Adult Education Centre. Kalliola Adult Learning Centre, Helsinki. Lahti Folk High School.