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1963 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

Oulu Museum of Art, Oulu
State of Finland Art Collection
Finnish Art Society
Artist Book Collection, Rikhardinkatu Library, Helsinki
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

- 2022 *Winterreise*, Gallery A2, Helsinki
Winterreise, Taidekamari, Pudasjärvi
- 2018 *Memento*, The Craft Museum Finland, Jyväskylä
- 2014 *Eine Kleine Wunderkammer*, Malmi Gallery, Helsinki
- 2012 *The Beauty of Misunderstanding*, Rikhardinkatu Library, Helsinki
- 2011 Gallery 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

- 2021 *Book Art and Three Dimensional Poetry*, Rikhardinkatu Library, Helsinki
- 2019 *The Birth and Origin*, Gallery Vanha Kappalaisen talo, Porvoo
- 2017 *Connotations*, Gallery Saskia, Tampere, Finland
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
Connotations, Valve Gallery, Oulu, Finland
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2016 *Connotations*, Gallery Malmitalo, Helsinki, Finland
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2015 *Connotations*, Poriginal Gallery, Pori, Finland
 (S. Dickhoff, K. Kaikkonen, U. Pohjola, K. Poijula)
- 2008 Gallery Laterna Magica, Helsinki, Finland
 (K. Haahti, K. Poijula)

SELECTED NATIONAL OR REGIONAL EXHIBITIONS IN FINLAND

- 2022 *With Naked Eye*, Voipaala Art Centre, Valkeakoski
 Taidesalonki Talvio, Hartola
- 2021 *PUDART 2021*, Taidekamari, Pudasjärvi
- 2020 *With Naked Eye*, HAA Galleria, Helsinki
- 2019 *Growth and Loss, Hair in Contemporary Art*, Oulu Museum of Art, Oulu
- 2018 *BELA III, Biennial of European and Latin American Contemporary Art*,
 Cable Factory, Helsinki

- 2017 *Book Art Exhibition II (Suomi 100)*, Gallery Katariina, Helsinki
- 2016 *ArtHelsinki*, Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki Exhibition and Convention Center
- 2015 *Kuvan täydeltä*, 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, Muu ry, 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

- 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

- 2023 The Finnish Cultural Foundation,
grant for artistic work and for solo exhibition costs
- 2022 Arts Promotions Centre Finland,
grant for artistic work and for solo exhibition costs
- 2021 Arts Promotions Centre Finland, Public display grant
- 2019 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, grant for working group

- 2017 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, grant for working group
- 2016 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, grant for working group
- 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