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education

1989-1995 University of Art and Design, Department of Ceramics and Glass, Helsinki, Finland, MA
1992-93 Sheridan College, School of Craft and Design, Department of Glass, Oakville, Ontario, Canada

solo and duo exhibitions

2016 *The Laboratorium of Presence*, with Kristoffer, Galleria HUUTO, Jätkäsaari, Helsinki, Finland
2016 *ORGANIKA*, with Maxim Velkovsky, Galerie Kuzebauch, Prague Czech Republic
2016 *Posliinitavaraa / Porcelainware*, Drawing Gallery D5, Kaapelitehdas, Helsinki, Finland
2016 *FORM FOLLOWS FUN aCTION* with Mervi Haapakoski, Kanneltalo Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
2011 *Tässä / Here*, Poriginal galleria, Pori, Finland
2011 *Tässä / Here*, Galleria Pirkko-Liisa Topelius, Helsinki, Finland
2009 *Artists-O Artist of the Month, June-July 2009* www.artists-o.fi and Design Museum Helsinki, Finland
2008 *Rakas lapsi* (together with Synnöve Dickhoff), Jorvi Hospital, Espoo Finland
1995 *Preesens*, Galerie Pelin, Helsinki, Finland
1995 *Lupiininsiemen ja muita kokemuksia*, Cygnaeus Gallery, Helsinki, Finland

selected group exhibitions

2016 *State of the Art*, Visavuori Museum, Valkeakoski, Finland
2016 *Olo - Maerkbart*, Kouvola Art Museum Poikilo, Finland
2016 *European Glass Context*, Bornholm, Denmark
2016 *Behind the Seen*, Porvoo Art Hall, Finland
2015 *12th IGS exhibition*, Glass Museum Nový Bor, Czech Republic
2015 *Huominen / Tomorrow*, Haihara Art Center, Tampere, Finland
2014 *The First Chinese Glass Art Biennale*, Shanghai, China
2013 *SKjL 2013* Union of Finnish Art Associations, Voipaala Art Centre, Finland
2013 *ART4*, AHJO art center, Joensuu, Finland
2013 *Mine - Take What's Yours*, Underline Gallery, New York, NY, USA
2012 *Spirit of the Material*, The White Box Museum, 798 Art District, Beijing, China
2012 *Food for Art*, Restaurant G.W.Sundman's, Helsinki, Finland
2012 *Metamorfoosi '12*, Lahti Art Museum, Finland
2012 *Tendenser*, Gallery F 15, Moss, Norway
2011 *Between Tradition and Future*, Cheongju International Craft Biennale, Cheongju, South-Korea
2011 *PYHÄNIEMI 2011* contemporary art, Pyhäniemi Manor, Hollola, Finland
2011 *FI Collect*, LB Contemporary, Helsinki, Finland
2010 *Artists 2010*, Artist's Association of Finland 115. exhibition, TR1 Tampere Kunsthalle, Finland
2010 *Arsboretum Winter*, Galleria Pirkko-Liisa Topelius / Westers, Kemiönsaari, Finland
2010 *SKjL 2010* Union of Finnish Art Associations, Järvenpää Art Museum, Finland
2010 *Ars Häme'10*, Forssa, Finland
2010 *Remarkable Glass*, CAA Gallery, London, UK
2010 *Arjen voima, The Power of Every Day*, Akseli Gallén-Kallela Museum, Espoo, Finland
2009 *OTTO*, Circulo de Bellas Artes de Madrid, Spain
2009 *Fruit Market*, Nuutajärvi, Finland
2008 *R.ASIA*, Kuparipaja, Fiskars, Finland
2008 *OTTO Artists-O introduction exhibition*, Vantaa Art Museum, Finland
2007 *Kolme = 三 (san)*, with Kazushi Nakada and Anne Raasakka, Järvenpää, Finland
2006 *Remix*, Kuparipaja, Fiskars, Finland
2005 *Taidetta armosta*, Malmi church, Helsinki, Finland
2004 *Hajutatud Valgus III*, Eesti Tarbekunsti- ja Disaini Muuseum, Tallinn, Estonia
2004 *Vetri. Nel mondo. Oggi*, Palazzo Franchetti, Venice, Italy
2004 *Nordic Cools*, The National Museum of women in the Arts, Washington D.C., USA
2003 *Hajavaloa II*, Suomen lasimuseo, Riihimäki, Finland
2003 *Finnish Glass, Glasgalerie Splinter*, Berlin, Germany
2002 *Hajavaloa*, Järvenpää, Finland
2002 *Young and Hot - Emerging European Artists*, Amsterdam, Netherlands
1995 2000, -04, -10, -15 *Finnish Glass Lives 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7* The Finnish Glass Museum, Riihimäki, Finland
1996 *Valo*, Design Forum Finland, Helsinki
1995 *Miniatyryer*, Galleri Glas Ett, Stockholm, Sweden
1995 *Nuoret 48*, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Finland
1994 *51%*, Contemporary Craft Gallery, Portland, Oregon, USA
1994 *Baltic Jubilé*, Malmö, Sweden
1991 *Norsu ja posliinikaupan paluu*, Titanik Galleria, Turku, Finland

travelling exhibitions

2014-15 Finnish Glass Art 2005–2010, Eesti Tarbekunsti- ja Disaini Muuseum, Tallinna, Viro
2014 *2D→*, Arka Gallery, Vilnius, Lithuania, V. Grybas Museum in Jurbarkas, Lithuania, Museum of New Art in Pärnu, Estonia, Rietumu Bank gallery in Riga, Latvia
2012-14 *Finnish Glass Art 2005–2010*, Slovenia, Slovakia, France, Germany, Estonia
2006-09 *New Finnish Glass Art 2000–2005*, Slovakia, Germany, Latvia, Turkey, Poland, Netherlands
2007 *pro.KORU II*, Täky-gallery, Lappeenranta, Finland, 2008 Galleri Iron Inc. Copenhagen, Denmark
2006 *L'art du verre finlandais 2000-2005*, Musée du verre Carmaux, France Conseil Général de Meurthe et Moselle, Nancy, France
2003-04 *FASZINATION GLAS Tendenzen in der finnischen Glaskunst*, several places, Germany
2001-03 *Finlandia – Vanguardia en Vidrio*, Spain, Portugal, Mexico, Germany
2000-02 *Nordic Glass 2000*, Denmark, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Norway
1996-97 *Finnish Post War Glass*, England

coming up

Jan 14th-Feb 19th 2017, Oi Suomi katso, LOKAL, Helsinki, Finland
Feb 25th-March 16th 2017, Solo, G12 Kuopio, Finland
April 21st -July 23rd 2017, *Tallinn Applied Art Triennial*, Estonian Museum of Applied Arts, Tallinn
June 22th - Sept 10 th 2017, Olo - Maerkbart, Øregård Museum, Hellerup, Denmark

artfairs

2014 ArtHelsinki , Galleria Pirkko-Liisa Topelius
2012 *Eunique Internationale Messe für Angewandte Kunst und Design*, Karlsruhe
2011 ArtHelsinki , O-Gallery
2011 *SWAB*, Feria Internacional de Arte Contemporáneo Barcelona, Espanja , Galleria Maaret Finnberg
2011 *Collect*, London, The International Art Fair for Contemporary Objects, Saatchi Gallery, Galleria Norsu
2010 ArtHelsinki , Galleria Pirkko-Liisa Topelius
2009 ArtHelsinki, Finland, O-galleria
2009 *SOFA*, Chicago, Galleria Norsu
2008 *TAIDE 2008 Art fair*, Finland, O-Galleria
1997 *Stockholm Art Fair*, Sollentuna, Sweden

collections

Finnish Art Foundation, The Finnish Glass Museum, State Art Collection of Finland, Kesko Oy, Jorvi Hospital, Pyhäniemi Manor, The Museum of Decorative Arts in Prague Upm, Vantaa Art Museum, private collections in Finland, Sweden, USA, Canada

public art

Home / Kotiseutu, Public art for Tikkurila new city centre, City of Vantaa, as a curated artist by Vantaa Art museum 2015
Näktergalen Satakieli (Nightingale) commissioned to Arabianranta, Finland 2009

scholarships and grants

Arts Council of Finland 2016
The Finnish Cultural Foundation, 3 year grant, 2013
The Finnish Cultural Foundation, Region of Uusimaa 2012
Arts Council of Finland, Grant of Public Display in Visual Arts 2012
Arts Council of Uusimaa 2012
Oskar Öflunds Stiftelse 2011
Arts Council of Finland 2011
Arts Council of Finland, Travel grant 2010
Aalto University School of Art and Design, Travel grant 2010
Arts Council of Finland, Grant of Public Display in Visual Arts 2010
Arts Council of Finland, Travel grant 2009, 2010
The Finnish Cultural Foundation, Region of Uusimaa 2007, -03
Kesko Oy, Pirkka-scholarship 1995
Haystack Mountain School of Crafts, Deer Isle, ME, USA 1993
University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Finland 1996 , 1992
Several group grants

awards

Certificate of Honour for Environmental Art in 2009 for *Näktergalen Satakieli (Nightingale)* by Foundation for Environmental Art 2010
The Finnish Glass Museum, Champagne glass design competition, 2nd prize, 2007

related work experience and teaching

2016 Curator for *Ceramics and its Dimensions: Shaping the Future* ceramic touring exhibition: 2016-18: Fiskars, Finland - Selb and Berlin, Germany, Stoke on Trent and Belfast, GB, Ljubljana, Slovenia, Prague, Czech Republic

- 2015 Horse and art research program in Hungary
- 2014-15 Lecturer Aalto University Aalto University, School of Arts, Design and Architecture, Department of Design
- 2013-14 Senior lecturer Aalto University Aalto University, School of Art, Design and Architecture, Department of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 2013 Visiting lecturer, Turku University
- 2010- Curator for PYHÄNIEMI contemporary art exhibitions, Pyhäniemi Manor, Hollola, Finland
- 2010-2014 Lecturer, Aalto University School of Arts, Design and Architecture, Dept. of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 1996-09 Lecturer, University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 2006- Private glassworkshops
- 2005, -07 Lecturer, University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design, Industrial Design
- 1998 Tutor for BA thesis, Institute of Design, Lahti University of Applied Sciences

seminars/ conference lectures

- 2010 Full paper, Design and Emotion, IIT Institute of Design, Chicago, Illinois, USA
- 2006 Meeting point-konferenssi, Tallinn, Estonia
- 1998 Materiaalin muisti- seminar, Lahden Muotoiluinstituutti, Finland
- 1992 Call for papers lecturer, Interaction in Ceramics-konferenssi, University of Art and Design Helsinki
- 1991 Call for papers lecturer, American Ceramic Society, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA

positions of trust

- 2014-15 Helsingin Wiisikot, board member
- 2013-14 National Council for Multidisciplinary Art 2013 - 2014, Arts Promotion Centre Finland
- 2013-14 Board of professional matters, The Finnish Association of Designers ORNAMO
- 2013-16 Entrance Examination Board member, Aalto University, School of Art, Design and Architecture, Department of Design
- 2012- BA Thesis Evaluator Aalto University, School of Art, Design and Architecture, Department of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 2010-11 Chairwoman of Artists O
- 2010-11 Cabinet member, The Finnish Association of Designers ORNAMO, ART
- 2010-11 Board member, Society for New Craft
- 2007-08 Member Selection Board, Artists O and The Finnish Association of Designers ORNAMO, ART
- 2010 BA Thesis Evaluation Board member Aalto University School of Art and Design, Dept. of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 2008-09 BA Thesis Evaluation Board member University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 2000-08 MA Thesis evaluator University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design (00, -01, -04, -05, -06, -08)
- 2006 Artists O Representative, The Finnish Association of Designers ORNAMO
- 2006-07 BA Portfolio Evaluation Board deputy member, University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design, Ceramic and Glass
- 1997- Board member / Treasurer, Hytti ry
- 2002-03 Entrance Examination Board member, University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design, Ceramic and Glass Design
- 1997 Executive Board, University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Dept. of Design, Ceramics and Glass

memberships

- 2011- Association of Finnish Sculptors
- 2010- The Artists and Visual Artists Copyright Society Kuvasto
- 1996- Hytti ry
- 2006- The Finnish Association of Designers ORNAMO, Artists O
- 1996- 2007 The Finnish Association of Designers ORNAMO, Taiko ry Designers Makers
- 1996- 2000 Glass Arts Association of Canada
- 1992-95, -02 American Glass Art Society

languages spoken

Finnish: mother's tongue, English: fluent, French: good, Swedish: good, Estonian: basic, Portuguese elementary

latest publications

- Mäkelä, Maarit, Yli-Viikari, Tapio and Latva-Somppi, Riikka (2016): *Introduction: Shaping the Future* in M. Mäkelä (ed) *Ceramics and its Dimensions: Shaping the Future Ed.*, Aalto University, Helsinki p. 14-20
- Ceramics Revisited 2016*, in M. Mäkelä (ed) *Ceramics and its Dimensions: Shaping the Future Ed.*, Aalto University, Helsinki p. 158-159
- Kuraattorin tervehdys* teoksessa Pyhäniemi 2016, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, s.16-17
- Kuvan haurautta ja voimaa kartanon kesässä* (Curator's greetings) in Pyhäniemi 2015, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p. 16-17
- Outi Heiskanen PYHÄNIEMI 2015 -klassikkotaitelijat* in Pyhäniemi 2015, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p.18-19
- Lapin taika on tarttunut kartanoon!* (Curator's greetings) in Pyhäniemi 2014, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p.18-19
- Muotojen ja värien leikkiä. Viivija, pintoja, valoa, iloa!* (Curator's greetings) in Pyhäniemi 2013, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p.18-19

Katja Kotikoski. Narrations in Clay, in U. Benappi and A. Oikonomidou (eds.) *Figure del desiderio. Soggettività mutanti nella ricerca pittorica e scultorea di Sonia Ros e Katja Kotikoski*, Fondazione Regionale per la cultura e lo Spettacolo, Liguria p. 14-15, 21

Luovaa kapasiteettia taiteen rajapinnoilla! (Curator's greetings) in Pyhäniemi 2012, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p. 22-23

Pyhäniemi 2012 Klassikkotaiteilija Alvar Aalto in Pyhäniemi 2012, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p.24-25

Pyhäniemen kartanon kesänäyttely 3.7.-14.8. 2011, Taide & Design 4/ 2011, p.82-87

Olavi Lanu, in Pyhäniemi 2011, Pyhäniemen kartano Oy, p.22-27

Mäkelä, Maarit & Latva-Somppi, Riikka (2011): *Crafting Narratives: Using historical context as a reflective tool*, Craft Research, volume 2, 06/11

Mäkelä, Maarit & Latva-Somppi, Riikka (2010): *Crafting Connections Between Emotions and Materiality*, 7th International Conference on Design and Emotion 4.-7.10. 2010. Chicago, Ill., USA

Art in Public Spaces, Brinck, Latva-Somppi, Turpeinen, artist catalogue 09/2010 (ed. Outi Turpeinen)

press

Kristeligt dagblad 24.10.2016, Neues Glass 3/2016, Aamulehti 2.8.2015, Wall Street Journal 12.1.2013, China Daily 10/12, Vantaan Sanomat 1.9.2012, Lahti Watti 5 / 2012, ORNAMO 3/12, FCG 04/2012, Satakunnan kansa 11.12.2011, Glorian koti 08/11, Sara 07/11, Kansan Uutiset 29.7.2011, ESS 2.7.2011, 11.7.2011, Länsi-Suomalainen 1.7. 2011 Helsingin Sanomat 25.7.2014, 14.7. 2013, 29.8.2012 22.7.2012, 1.7.2011, 17.5.2010, 18.2.2010 <http://www.hs.fi>, 14.11.2008, 18.11.2004, 28.6.2003, 22.8.2002, 23.7.1995, Annonsbladet 02.12.2010, Salon Seudun Sanomat 02.11.2010, Borgåbladet 19.3.2010, TAIDE 4-10, esse 6.5.2010, Kotiliesi 5/10, p. 46-49, *New Glass Review* 31/10, *Betoni* 1/2010, Pohjois-Helsingin Vartti 24.2. 2010, 7.10.2009, Chicago Tribune 4.11. 2009, *Eeva* 1/09, Suomen kuvalehti 48/08, Kellokas 7.2.2007, Kotimaa 21.10.2005, Koillis_Helsingin lähi-sanomat 19.10.2005, Helsingin Uutiset 9.11.2005, n:o68 2003, The Urban Glass Art Quarterly fall 2005, Muoto 02/2005, Hyvinkään sanomat 12.5.2003, TAITO 1, 2003, Avotakka 9, 2002, Viikkouutiset 15.8.2002, Keski Uusimaa 9.8.2002, Iltalehti 15.7. 1995, ARTTU 1995