

Merja Haapala Curriculum vitae

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Studies

1982-87 The Kuopio Academy of Handicraft And Industrial Design

Memberships

2008 Visiting artist in Arabia´s Art Department
Finnish Association of Designers Ornamo
Tampere Artist Association
Modus, Tampere Association of Design and Craft, president 2001-2006
Artists O

Private exhibitions

2014 Lampi,
2010 *Slow Gaze*, Artcenter Retretti, Punkaharju, Finland
2009 *Väriä*, Rovaniemi Art Museum
2008 *Painted Memory*, Arabian museon galleria, Helsinki
2007 *I Do*, TR1, Tampere
2004 *catwalk*, Studio Mältinranta, Tampere
2003 Gallery Koivulinna, Pukkila
2001 Gallery Johan S, Helsinki
1998 Kankaanpään Art School, gallery
Gallery Valkoinen huone, Tampere
1997 Rantagalleria, Turku
1994 Galleria Septaria, Helsinki
1993 Galleria Ann´Maris, Tampere
1992 Keltainen talo, Kankaanpää
1991 Suomalaisen muotoilun edistämiskeskus, Helsinki
1990 Galerie Auris, Hämeenlinna
1989 Käsi- ja taideteollisuuskeskus Verkaranta, Tampere
1987 Maailman galleria, Tampere

Latest Group Exhibitions

2012 Ceramega, Voipaala
2011 Haute Couture, Honkahovi, Mänttä
2010 9 Finnish Ceramic Artists, St. Petersburg, Russia
2009 Sommer Exhibition, Gallery Ferin, Helsinki
Valveilla, TR1, Tampere
2008 Arabia 135, Design Myseum, Helsinki
2007 *Heräämisiä*, TR1, Tampere, Galleria Norsu, Hki
2005 *The 11th National Pottery of Ceramic Festival Hatfield House*, Hertfordshire, Englanti
2005 *Pirkanmaa Region Desgningl*, TR1, Tampere
2004 *Syvällä savessa-Contempary Finnish Art Ceramic*, Suomen käsityön museo, Jyväskylä
Taikon iloinen arki – Rakkaus, Keski-Suomen käsityömuseo, Rovaniemen taidemuseo,
Kuulet mustal, Kuopion muotoiluakatemia
2002 *Kuppi ja kannu*, Keski-Suomen käsityömuseo, Jyväskylä
2002 *Finndesignnow 2*, Fiskars

Selected Collections

State of Finland
International Ceramic Research Center Guldagergaard, Denmark
Magnelli Museum, Vallauris, France
Museo Villa Urpo
MAC-Collection
Cities of Tampere and Kankaanpää
Citycon Oyj
CD-Kandela
Insinööri-toimisto Posti
Invalidiliitto
Nokia Telecommunications
Pirkanmaan journalistiyhdistys
Pirkanmaan liitto
Posion kansainvälinen kahvikuppimuseo
Pukkilan Osuuspankki
Saarioinen
UPM

Exhibitions and Competitions Abroad

2010 Nordic Award, International Ceramic Research Center, Denmark
2009 *Prospection*, Camard Auction House, Paris, France

2008 XXth International Biennial of Contemporary Ceramics Vallauris, France
2005 11. International Ceramic Festival, Hatfield House Hertfordshire, England
2001 11. Biennale de *céramique contemporaine* de Châteauroux, France
2000 International Pot Competition K'2000, Lappeenranta, 1. prize
1999 International Pot Competition and Exhibition, Carouge, Switzerland
1998 5. International Ceramic Competition, Mino, Japan, honour mention