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Education

Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki:
2006- Department of Postgraduate Studies (doctorate studies)
1996-98 Department of Painting, Master of Fine Arts
1992-96 Dept. of Painting, Dept. of Sculpture, Bachelor of Fine Arts

1997-00 University of Art and Design Helsinki, studies in art education
1991-93 University of Helsinki, theoretical philosophy
1986-89 Art School Maa, Helsinki

Solo Exhibitions

2018 Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki
2017 Gallery Hippolyte, Studio, Helsinki
2015 Kouvola Art Museum, Kouvola
2015 Gallery Muu, Helsinki
2012 Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki
2011 Gallery Forum Box/permanent, Helsinki
2010 Kluuvi Gallery, Helsinki
2007 Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki
2004 Gallery Artina, Helsinki
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2001 Gallery of Media Centre Lume, Helsinki
1999 TM Gallery, Helsinki
1998 Gallery Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki
1998 Gallery of the Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki
1991 Gallery Joella, Turku

Group Exhibitions

(Forthcoming 2018: Galerie Toolbox, Berlin, Germany)
2017 Verden i akvarel/World Wide Watercolour, Hillerød, Denmark
2017-18 Real Celebration, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Rovaniemi
2016 Waterfall, Svendborg, Denmark
2015-16 The Adventure Can Begin, The Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn, Sweden
2015 Experimentality – Research Pavillion, Venice, Italy
2015 Skulptur, RBS Galleries. London, Great Britain
2015 Turku Biennial, The Unexpected Guest, Aboa Vetus Ars Nova;
Museum of History and Contemporary Art, Turku
2013-14 Thread and Paper, Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art, Vaasa
2012-13 Reality Bites, Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki
2012 Artists 2012 – The 117th annual exhibition of Finnish artists, Kunsthalle Helsinki

- 2012 The 7th Wave – Wihuri and Visual Art,
Kunsthalle Helsinki
Lönström Art Museum, Rauma
South-Carelia Art Museum, Lappeenranta
- 2012 Olemisen kevyt sietämättömyys, Ars Auttoinen
- 2012 Kollaasi, Hyvinkää Art Museum
- 2012 Pieces of Eight, PSL, Leeds, UK
- 2012-13 Löytöjä – Taidetta kampuksilta, Helsinki University Museum, Helsinki
- 2011 Nature forte, Korundi – Rovaniemi Art Museum
- 2011 Kantri & urbaani, Lappeenranta
- 2010 Highlights, Centenary Exhibition of the Association of Finnish Sculptors,
Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku
- 2010 Playtime, Tjörn, Sweden
- 2009 Nordisk akvarel, Dronninglund Kunstcenter, Denmark
- 2008 Colours, Nordiska akvarellmuseet, Skärhamn, Sweden
- 2008 The Return of the Prodigal Son, Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art, Vaasa
- 2008 Splätsh! – The Extensions of Water Colour, Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki
- 2005 Silmänkääntäjät, Rauma Art Museum
- 2004 Mänttä Art Festival
- 2003 Virtaa, Art Factory, Porvoo
- 2002 Artists' Association of Finland, 107th annual exhibition, Kunsthalle Helsinki
- 2002 Uniikki 2002, Fiskars
- 2001 Young Artists Exhibition, Kunsthalle Helsinki
- 2001 Taju, Hyvinkää
- 2001 Hockey Flowers, Helsinki
- 2000 Uni jossa osaan lentää, Espoo
- 1998 Artists' Association of Finland, 103rd annual exhibition, Kerava Art Museum
- 1997 Degree show, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki
- 1996 Young Artists Exhibition, Espoo
- 1996 10 huonetta exhibition, Helsinki
- 1995 Uusimaa regional exhibition, Kerava Art Museum
- 1993 Sculptors from the Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Espoo
- 1992 Young Artists Exhibition, Kunsthalle Helsinki
- 1991 Young Artists Exhibition, Kunsthalle Helsinki
- 1990 Irti Maasta, Helsinki

Works in Collections

Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation; Rovaniemi Art Museum, Rovaniemi
Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma, Helsinki
Saastamoinen Foundation Art Collection, EMMA – Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Espoo
Helsinki Art Museum, Helsinki
The Finnish State Art Deposit Collection
University of Helsinki
Fine Arts Association of Finland
Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn, Sweden
City of Raisio
Swanljung Collection, Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art, Vaasa

Public Artworks

- 2002 University of Helsinki, Department of Sociology, painting
2000 Raisio Library, painting

Public Performances

- 2016 Arranging a symposium, Particles, Exhibition Laboratory,
University of the Arts Helsinki
- 2011 Presentation at a conference, Changing Identities and Contexts in the Arts:
Artistic Research as the New European Paradigm for the Arts,
the Henry Moore Institute, Leeds, England

Teaching Posts

- 2000-04 Art School Maa, Helsinki

Memberships

Association of Finnish Sculptors
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Grants and Prizes

- 2017 Alfred Kordelin Foundation 1-year grant
2016 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, project grant
2014 Oskar Öflund Foundation, project grant
2013-17 Arts Council of Finland, five-year artist grant
2012 Finnish Cultural Foundation, one-year support grant
2012 Arts Council of Finland, project grant
2012-15 Åström studio stipend
2010 Anita Snellman Foundation stipend
2010 Oskar Öflund Foundation, project grant
2009 City of Helsinki, project grant
2009-11 Arts Council of Finland, three-year artist grant
2008 Arts Council of Finland, one-year artist grant
2007 Finnish Cultural Foundation, one-year support grant
2007 Arts Council of Finland, project grant
2006 Arts Council of Finland, one-year artist grant
2005 Public display grant
2005 Arts Council of Finland, project grant
2004 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Uusimaa Regional Fund, support grant
2003 Arts Council of Uusimaa, project grant
2002 Finnish Cultural Foundation, one-year support grant
2001 Public display grant
2001 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Uusimaa Regional Fund, support grant
1999 Kordelin Foundation, support grant
1999 Arts Council of Finland, project grant
1998 Finnish Cultural Foundation, support grant

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- Niska, Rebeka: *Havainnon uskottavuudesta*. Taidemaalaus 4/2010
- Sundell, Dan: *Ett strimlat landskap*. Hufvudstadsbladet 1 May 2010
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