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Education

Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki:

2006– Department of Postgraduate Studies (doctoral candidate)

1996–98 MFA

1992–96 BFA

1997–00 University of Art and Design Helsinki, Pedagogical studies for artists

1991–93 University of Helsinki, Department of Philosophy, History and Art Studies

1986–89 Art School Maa, Helsinki

Solo Exhibitions

- 2021 Gallery Hippolyte, Helsinki
- 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/permanto, Helsinki
- 2010 Kluuvi Gallery, Helsinki
- 2007 Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki
- 2004 Gallery Artina, Helsinki
- 2001 Gallery Artina, Helsinki
- 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

- 2021 *The Blue Planet*, Art and Museum Centre Sinkka, Kerava
- 2021 *Porvoo Triennial*, Porvoo Art Factory
- 2021 *Research Pavilion #4 Uniarts Helsinki*, Hietsun paviljonki, Helsinki
- 2021- 22 *Impressions*, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Rovaniemi
- 2020-21 *Luostarin puutarhassa*, Valamo Monastery Cultural Center, Heinävesi
- 2019 *I Experiment as I Experience*, Exhibition Laboratory /
The University of the Arts Helsinki
- 2019 *Art goes kapakka*, Ravintola Pjazza, Helsinki
- 2019 *Bela-biennial*, Museo Centro Cultural Correios, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- 2018-19 *Glitch Art*, Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art, Vaasa
- 2018 *Lost Luggage*, Galerie Toolbox, Berlin
- 2017-18 *Real Celebration*, Rovaniemi Art Museum, Rovaniemi

- 2017 *Verden i akvarel*, Hillerød, Denmark
- 2016 *Waterfall*, Svendborg, Denmark
- 2015-16 *The Adventure Can Begin*, The Nordic Watercolour Museum, Skärhamn, Sweden
- 2015 *Experimentality*, Research Pavillion, Venice, Italy
- 2015 *Turku Biennial 2015*, 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
– Lönnström Art Museum, Rauma – South-Carelia Art Museum, Lappeenranta
- 2012 *Olemisen kevyt sietämättömyys*, Ars Auttoinen, Padasjoki
- 2012 *Kollaasi - Collage*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää
- 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*, Mänttä
- 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 *Comment - Young Artists Exhibition*, Espoo
- 1996 *10 huonetta*, Gallery of the Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, 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*, Kaapelitehdas, 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 *Työpöytä*, University of Helsinki, Department of Sociology, painting
2000 Raisio Library

Presentations and teaching

- 2019 Presentation *Valinta*, The Academy of Fine Arts Research Days, Helsinki
2016 Arranging a symposium *Particles*, University of the Arts Helsinki, Exhibition Laboratory, Helsinki
2011 Presentation *The Temptation of Distraction* at the conference *Changing Identities and Contexts in the Arts: Artistic Research as the New European Paradigm for the Arts*, the Henry Moore Institute, Leeds, England
2010 Courses/ Figurative and three-dimensional painting, the Academy of Fine Arts Helsinki
2000-04 Teacher, Art School Maa, Helsinki

Memberships

- Association of Finnish Sculptors
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Grants and Prizes

- 2021 Finnish Cultural Foundation, two-year grant
2020 Public display grant
2020 Arts Promotion Centre Finland, project grant
2019 Finnish Cultural Foundation, one-year grant
2018 Arts Council of Uusimaa, project grant
2017 Alfred Kordelin Foundation one-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 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 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, grant
2003 Arts Council of Uusimaa, project grant
2002 Finnish Cultural Foundation, one-year grant
2001 Public display grant
2001 Finnish Cultural Foundation, Uusimaa Regional Fund, grant
1999 Kordelin Foundation, grant
1999 Arts Council of Finland, project grant
1998 Finnish Cultural Foundation, grant

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- Iitiä Inkamajja: *Off the Map. Turku Biennial 2015 The Unexpected Guest*. Exhibition catalogue. 2015
- Andersson, Pamela: *Thread and Paper*. Exhibition catalogue. 2013
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- Valjakka, Timo: *Suunnistajan painajaisia, eksyjän unelmia*. Helsingin Sanomat 6 May 2010
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