



ceramic artist

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Education

National College of Art and Design, Bergen, Norway 1987 – 92

Solo Exhibitions

- 2019, Blås & Knåda, Stockholm (S)
2017, Nääs Konsthantverk, Gothenburg (S) 2016,
Kaolin, Stockholm, (S)
2016, Plan B Gallery, Växjö, (S)
2014, Höganäs Keramiska Center, Höganäs, (S)
2011, Bergdala Artgallery, Växjö (S)
2008, Gallery FORMAT, Bergen, (N)
2008, Rörstrands Museum, Lidköping (S)
2008, Bergdala Artgallery, Växjö (S)
2006, Leverk, Gothenburg, (S)
2005, The Regional Artcenter, Sogn og Fjordane, Førde (N)
2002, Kunstnerforbundet, Oslo (N)
Blås & Knåda, Stockholm (S)
1999, The Regional Art center, Kristiansand, (N)
1994, Blås & Knåda, Stockholm (S)
Galleri Villvin, Risør (N)

Group Exhibitions / selected

- 2017, Collect 2017, International Art Fair, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
2015, International Fine Art & Antiques Dealers Fair, Gallery Brian Haughton, NY, US
2015, -16 "UTVALT - SELECTED", juried exhibition, Craft from the South of Sweden,
KHVC in Skåne, Hemslöjden, Form/Design Center, Malmö,(S)
2015, Interior and gift fair, FORMAT Gallery, Oslo
International Fine Art & Antiques Dealers Fair, New York, US (rep. By Brian
Haughton Gallery, UK)
COLLECT, 2015, International Art fair, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
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2013, International Fine Art & Antiques Dealers Fair, New York, US, (rep. by Brian
Haughton Gallery, London, UK)
COLLECT 2013, International Art Fair, Saatchi Gallery, London, UK
"Vi jobbar med det....", Keramiskt center Höganäs
2012, Annual Craft exhibition 2012, Nasjonalmuseet , Oslo (N)
"KUNSTsf 2012", Sogn og Fjordane Artmuseum, Førde, (N)
"Lerigt", ÖSKG / Tjörnedala Konsthall, Simrishamn (S)
The Peace Rider Group, Osnabrück, Germany
European Prize Award 2012, Mons, Belgien
2011, The Peace Rider Group, Indiana University, Evansville, USA
2009, Sydosten, Designarkivet, Nybro (S)
EXHIBITION 09, Norwegian Craft, National Museum of Art, Architecture and
Design, Oslo (N)
The 5th World ceramic Biennale 2009, Korea (CEBIKO) (Kr)
The Artvillage of Veving invites the world! (Veving celebrates it's 30 years
anniversary) (N)
2008, "Taktif", Hå Gamle Prestegard, Stavanger(N)
2007, "Clay without borders", The National Museum, Onikan, Lagos, Nigeria
"Emergence", Transplant, Dale i Sunnfjord, (N)
2006, "Sans" Tendenser, Galleri F15, Moss, (N)
2005, Nordic Ceramics, Varbergs museum, (S)
2004 – 2007, "Trolls – Figures in Norwegian Contemporary ceramics", exhibition organized
by the Royal Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Curator; Harald Solberg
2004, "Sammenvevd", International Artsenter and Museum, Oslo, (N)
The Vevingexhibition, Naustdal, (N)

- 2003, "Svorsk", Nääs Konsthantverk, Nääs Slott, (S)
The 2nd World Ceramic Biennale 2003, Korea (Kr)
2002, "Ceramics from Norway", Galerie Handwerk, Munich, (D)
"Modern Masters" International Crafts Fair, Munich, (D) 2001,
"New Nordic Ceramics", Galleri Nørby, Copenhagen, (Dk)
2000, Annual Exhibition of Art Crafts – 00, Bergen (N)
KERAMION, Frechen, (D)
1999, Annual Exhibition of Art Crafts – 99, Oslo (N)
Norwegian Contemporary Ceramics, Millennium Ceramic Symposium,
Amsterdam (NL)
1998, Pots around the City – an experiment in big scale", Blås & Knåda,
Stockholm (S)
1998, Annual Exhibition of Art Crafts 98, Trondheim (N)
1997, The 50th International Ceramic Art Competition, Faenza (I)
1996, Galleriet, Växjö (S)
Annual Exhibition of Art Crafts- 96, Oslo (N)
1993, "Before the year of 1030", NK Agder, Kristiansand (N)
1992, Kaolin, Stockholm (S)
1990 Sydosten, Kalmar Museum of Art, Kalmar (S)

Official Collections

- The National Museum of Decorative Art, Trondheim, (N)
Sogn og Fjordane Art Museum, Førde (N)
The Regional Collection of the West Region, (S)
The Royal Norwegian Ministry of Foreign affairs (N)
The National Museum Art, Architecture & Design, Oslo (N)
KODE, The West Norway Museum of Applied Art, Bergen (N)
The Art Museum of Sørlandet, Kristiansand, (N)
The Swedish Council of Culture (S)
The Norwegian Council of Culture (N)
The Authorities of Aust – Agder, (N)
The Authorities of Uppvidinge, (S)

Private Collections

- H.R.H. Queen Sonja (N)
Ragnhild Smørås, (N)
Handelsbanken Art Association, Stockholm (S)

Publications

- 2000 / 1 Kunsthåndverk; Indre meditative rom" by Øystein Laundal
2001 Catalogue, "Mentalt og Materiel" by Nina Malterud
2001 / 5 Neue keramik, "Geist und Materie", by Nina Malterud
2002 Radioprogram in NRK P2 „Agenda“ by Svein Kjos, broadcast 8.9. 2002
2004 / 1 Keramik Magazine, " Mandala", by Ulla Munck Jørgensen
2005 Catalogue, "New works" by Ulla Munck Jørgensen
2006 Catalogue, "Enigmatic Energies" by Grete Huus
2008 / 2 Tidsskrift Svenskt Konsthantverk, by Bo Borg
2008 / 06 New Ceramic: "Enigmatic Energies" by Grete Huus
2016 Catalogue, Kärl - Vessels, by Thomas Millroth

Scholarships

- 2016, Helge Ax:son Johnssons Foundation (S)
2016, Konstnärlivets Vänners Foundation, Stockholm (S)
2013-15, The Arts and Grants Committee, IASPIS, (S)
2013, Estrid Ericsson Foundation (S)
2007, Scandinavia – Japan Sasakawa Foundation
2006, The National Scholarships for artists, travel and study (N)
2005, The County of Sogn og Fjordane, (N)
2001 - 2004, The Craftsmen Fund's 3 year Scholarship for Artists (N)
2000, The Authorities of Bergen Town (N)
1999, The National Scholarships for Artists, material (N)
1998, The Authorities in the County of Hordaland (N)
1997, The National Scholarships for Artists, travel and study (N)
1996, The Authorities of Bergen Town (N)
1992 – 94, The Center of Art, Risør (N)
1986, The Authorities of Uppvidinge (S)

Related Activities

- 2016, Artist in Residence, AIR, Vallauris, (Fr)
2012-14, Guestmember, Blås & Knåda, Stockholm
2007, Artist in Residence, Shigaraki, Japan
2007, Workshop, Lagos, Nigeria "Uniting Potters through Cooperation",
Nigeria – Norway - Sweden
2005, Workshop - seminar, exchange with ceramists from the Nordic
Countries and Balkan
2002, Illustrated the book "From Healing to wholeness" by Audhild Karlsen
2001, "Process", Ceramic Symposium, Risør (N)
2000, "Black Ceramics" Ceramic Symposium, Vilnius, Litauen
1998, "Osnabrücker friedensreiter", Ceramic symposium, IBK, Osnabrück (D)
1997, Work Shop "Pots around the City", Blås & Knåda and the European
City of Culture 1998, Stockholm (S)