

Susanna Vesalainen Curriculum Vitae

Personal details:

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Studies:

2003	Bachelor of Design Ceramics and Glass Designer; Kuopio Academy of Design, Savonia Polytechnic.
1998	Tammela School of Arts and Crafts, studies; artisan potter.
1996	Lahti Folk Highschool; art studies.
1991	Mäntyharju High School; A-levels.

Professional experience:

2005	Spiral Product Design, London, UK.
2004	Design of serving dishes for Scandinaviaform of Sweden.
2002	Sculpture of Archangel Michael for the church of Tervo, Finland.
2000	Work practise included in the studies; Tonfisk Design, Finland.

Awards/competitions:

2007	"Ceramics for breakfast" design competition, organized by designboom and macef, "Darlin" salt and pepper shaker set ; shortlisted. Milan, Italy.
2005	O!VALLUS Product design competition, together with Tomi Pelkonen; honorary mention.
2002	Sculpture competition/Archangel Michael; 1st prize.
2001	Logo design competition for the church of Mäntyharju, Finland; 1st prize.
1998	Product design competition in the town of Tammela, Finland; 1st prize and honorary mention.

Grants:

2007	Arts Council of Finland, ICFF 2007 expenses for JUJU DesignParty.
2006	Finnish Cultural Foundation; design and prototype expenses.

- 2006 Arts Council of Kaakkois-Suomi, Designpartners 06 expenses for JUJU DesignParty.
- 2005 Arts Council of Finland, joint grant for travel expenses.

Collections:

- 2002 Bronze sculpture of Archangel Michael; the church of Tervo, Finland.

Fairs:

- 2007 **ICFF 2007**
Stand with JUJU DesignParty, New York, USA.
- 2006 **Designpartners 06**
Stand with JUJU DesignParty
Cable Factory, Helsinki, Finland.
- 2006 **ICFF 2006**
New York, USA.
- 2005 **Designpartners 05**
Stand with JUJU DesignParty
Cable Factory, Helsinki, Finland.
- 2005 **Interior Lifestyle fair**
Las Vegas, USA.
- 2005 **Ambiente 2005**
Group exhibition, presenting products in the "talents" section of the fair.

Joint/touring exhibitions:

- 2007 **MACEF January 2007**
"Ceramics for breakfast" Competition exhibition.
Milan, Italy.
- 2006 **Exhibition Besancon I.U.F.M.**
Besancon, France.
- 2006 **2006 JUJU DesignParty exhibition**
C.D.M. Design Agency's Show Room, Lappeenranta, Finland.
- 2005 **Nature of Design**
Varkaus, Finland.
- 2005 **O!VALLUS Design competition exhibition**
Design Forum, Helsinki, Finland.

- 2005 **Regional Design exhibition** summer 2005
Kuopio, Finland.
- 2005 **Finsk Form/Denmark**
Group exhibition presenting Finnish Design.
- 2004 **Ceramega04**
The Centre of Arts and Culture, Valkeakoski, Finland.
- 2004 **Muodosta tulevaisuus! Ceramics and Glass**
Taitemia gallery, Kuopio, Finland.
- 2003 **Luonnostaan - Materiasta muodoksi**
Group exhibition by the Kuopio Academy of Design, Museum of Arts and Crafts, Jyväskylä, Finland.
- 2003 **Ceramics and Glass by Susanna Vesalainen and Maija Puoskari**
Nordea Bank, Kuopio, Finland.
- 2003 **Pinnalla**
Group exhibition by the department of Ceramics and Glass, Kuopio Academy of Design, Toukokuu Gallery, Helsinki, Finland.
- 2002 **Insiders**
Group exhibition by the department of Ceramics and Glass, Kuopio Academy of Design, Taitemia gallery, Kuopio, Finland.
- 2001 **Kesänäyttely**
Mandatum Bank and Merita Bank, Taitemia Gallery, Kuopio, Finland.
- 2000 **Murros**
Group exhibition by teachers and students of the Kuopio Academy of Design, Nivala, Finland.
- 2000 **Treffii**
Group exhibition presenting all the schools in Finland giving education in Ceramics and Glass. Taitemia Gallery, Kuopio, Finland.
- 2000 **Rundi**
Touring exhibition by the Kuopio Academy of Design, department of Ceramics and Glass, Tornio, Hämeenlinna, Forssa, Finland.