

KIM SIMONSSON

Born 1974 | Lives and works in Fiskars, Finland

EDUCATION

2000 Master of Arts | University of Arts and Design Helsinki, Finland

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2018 Treasure Hunters | Galerie Forsblom, Stockholm Sweden
- 2017 Shaman Party | Jason Jacques Gallery, New York, NY, USA
- 2016 Moss People | Galerie Nilsson & Chiglien, Paris, France
Little Prince and Moss People | Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland
- 2015 Moss People | Jason Jacques Gallery, New York, USA
- 2014 Invisible Hand | Galleria Sculptor, Helsinki, Finland
- 2012 Kim Simonsson | Galerie Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris, France
- 2011 Kim S, Helsinki, Finland
- 2010 Ponytail | Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA
- 2009 Parallel Reality | Musee d'Ansembourg, Liege, Belgium
Kim Simonsson | Galleria Heino, Market Art Fair, Stockholm, Sweden
Parallel Reality | Elverket, Tammisaari, Finland
Sculptures | Galerie Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris, France
Pro Arte Award Exhibition | Didrichsen Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland
Duality | Wonderland Art Space, Copenhagen, Denmark
The Golden Deer | Retretti, Punkaharju, Finland
- 2008 Animal Gaze | Galleria Heino, Helsinki, Finland
Invisible World | Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA
Variations On A Decoration | Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland
Sculptures | Finnish Cultural Institut, Oslo, Norway
The Invisible Deer | Galleria Heino, ARCO08 Solo Projects, Madrid, Spain
- 2007 Den osynliga hjorten | Finnish Cultural Institute, Stockholm, Sweden
Dreams And Disappointments II | Herrmann & Wagner Gallery, Berlin, Germany
Sculptures (with Panu Puolakka) | Taidosalonki Husa, Tampere, Finland
Kotona II | Karin Widnäs, Fiskars, Finland
- 2006 Camouflage | Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
Huoltamo, Tampere, Finland
- 2005 Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA
Sculptures | Arabia Museum's Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
Dislocated Clay and a Transformative Mirror | NCECA, Maryland Institute College of Art, Baltimore, USA
- 2004 Young Artist of the Year 2004 | Tampere Art Museum, Tampere, Finland
- 2003 K9 & NIKE | Kluuvi Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
- 2000 Realm of The Senses | Studio Hyöryllistä, Turku, Finland

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 FROM THE SHADOWS OF NIGHT TO THE BRIGHTNESS OF DAY |
MAKASIINI CONTEMPORARY, Turku, Finland
- 2017 Kim Simonsson & Kalevala Koru | Hanaholmen Cultural Center, Helsinki, Finland
- 2016 PYHÄNIEMI 2016, Hollola, Finland
Wild Strawberries | Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland
- 2015 9 SEASONS | Embassy of Finland, Finlandia Hall, Washington D.C., USA
Summer Exhibition | Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland
Skills | ØKS, Fredrikstad, Norway
- 2014 Helsinki Fat Clay | Galerie Heller, Heidelberg, Germany

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- Helsinki Fat Clay | Gallery Arabia, Helsinki, Finland
 Blurred Lines | Fiskars Village, Finland
 Melancholy | Villa Roosa, Orimattila, Finland
 The Adidas Man and the Strong Woman | Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku, Finland
- 2013
 Soul & Body | Museum of Arts and Design, New York, USA
 The Magic of Ceramics | The Museum of Ceramic Art, Hyogo, Japan
 Arabia Art & Design | Arabia Art Department, Artium, Fukuoka, Japan
 1:10 | Arabia Art Department 10 years, Gallery Arabia, Helsinki, Finland
 Spark | Critical Contemporary Art and Design, Granary, Fiskars Village, Finland
 Joy | Copper Smithy, Fiskars Village, Finland
 Happy End? | Helsinki Art Museum, Tennis Palace, Helsinki, Finland
 The Young Artists of a Year 1985-2012 | Gumbostrand, Sipoo, Finland
- 2012
 Bo Haglund & Kim Simonsson | Helsinki Airport Art Gallery, Finland
 Camouflage | Kiasma, Helsinki, Finland
 Tendenser | Galleri F 15, Moss, Norway
 Helsinki Fat Clay | Faenza and Milan, Italy
 Shigaraki Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Japan
 Lucid Dreaming | Pietarsaari, Finland
- 2011
 Reflective Shadow | Ordrupgaard, Copenhagen, Denmark
 Close Your Eyes And Tell Me What You See | Turku Observatory, Finland
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 The Figuratives | Oude Kerk, Delft, Netherlands
- 2010
 Korero | Taiwan Ceramics Biennale, Yingge Ceramics Museum, Yingge, Taiwan
 Finland Platform | Art Paris, Grand Palais, Paris, France
 Best of Wonderland | Wonderland Art Space, Copenhagen, Denmark
 Portraiture Beyond Likeness | Wayne Art Center, Philadelphia, PA, USA
 100 Years of Sculpture In Finland | Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland
 Vom Dunkeln Geschlückt | Ars Auttoinen, Auttoinen, Finland
 Feuer Und Eis | Keramikmuseum Westerwald, Höhr-Grenzhausen, Germany
 Collect | Galleria Norsu, Saatchi Gallery, London, Great Britain
- 2009
 Prospection and Perspective | Galerie Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris, France
 Miami Warm Up | Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, NY, USA
 Visuell förvirring | Museum of Art in Åland, Mariehamn, Finland
- 2008
 Confrontational Ceramics | The Arts Exchange, White Plains, NY, USA
 Tulessa Syntynyt | Makasiini, Fiskars, Finland
 KunstKörperlich - KörperKunstlich Part 2 | Kunsthalle, Dominikanerkirche, Osnabruck, Germany
 International Biennale of Contemporary Ceramic Art Vallauris | Vallauris, France
 Incertitude de la vision | Tour & Taxis, Brussels, Belgium
 Every Body Counts | Vestfossen Kunstlaboratorium, Vestfossen, Norway
 La Position de la Terre | Crac Alsace, France
- 2007
 Evil Eye | Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, Finland
 Silent Violence | Oulu Art Museum, Oulu, Finland
 Present 2007 | Bomuldsfabriken Kunsthall, Aredal, Norway
 I Would Like To Be A Dog | Rauma Art Museum, Rauma, Finland
 XII Mäntän kuvataideviikot | Mänttä, Finland
 Herrmann & Wagner Gallery and Galleria Heino, Brussels Art Fair, Brussels, Belgium
- 2006
 Purnu Summer Exhibition | Purnu, Finland
 6 Rooms | Porvoo Art Factory, Porvoo, Finland
 Helsinki International | Korjaamo, Helsinki, Finland
 SOFA NY | Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, NY, USA
 Another Worlds part II | Arario gallery, Cheonan, Republic of Korea
 Set | Forum Box, Helsinki, Finland
 Ungsfärskt | Gallery Sinne and Elverket, Helsinki and Tammisaari, Finland
- 2005
 Japan Pop | Tennis Palace Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland
 Trans Ceramic-Art | 3rd Ceramic Biennale Korea, Icheon, Republic of Korea
- 2003
 Wegway Show | S.P.I.N. Gallery, Toronto, Canada

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- Toronto Outdoor Art Show, Toronto, Canada
 One Hundred Years of Finnish Ceramic | Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland
- 2002 Inverno | Este Gallery, Toronto, Canada
 Group Show | The Palace, Toronto, Canada
- 2001 Made in LAC | Living Arts Center, Mississauga, Canada
 Emerging Sculptors | Canadian Sculpture Center, Toronto, Canada
 Biennale of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Chateauroux, France
- 2000 K2000 | Lappeenranta Art Museum, Finland
 THINK | Ateneum, Helsinki, Finland
- 1999 Nenonen, Partanen, Lerviks, Persson, Simonsson | Into galleria, Helsinki, Finland
- 1998 Contemporary Glass Art | Studio Mezzo, Helsinki, Finland
 Keramik 98 | Konstfacket, Stockholm, Sweden
 Stockholm International Art Fair | Gallery Taik, Stockholm, Sweden
- 1997 Glass and Light | Tampere Museum of Modern Art, Tampere, Finland
 Glass and Ceramic in Spotlight | Gallery Taik, Helsinki, Finland

AWARDS | GRANTS

- 2014 5-year artist working grant for 2015-2019, Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Design | Finland
- 2013 Art Prize, Svenska kulturfonden | Finland
- 2009 – 12 Artist in Residence, Villa Snäckesund, Tammisaari | Finland
- 2012 William Thuring Prize | Finland
- 2009 Pro Arte Award, Didrichsen Art Museum | Finland
- 2008 Walter Runeberg Foundation Award | Finland
 Svenska kulturfonden 2-year artist grant | Finland
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 Stina Krook Foundation Award | Finland
- 2005 Frame-fund, exhibition scholarship | Finland
 Svenska kulturfonden, 2-year artist grant | Finland
 Arts Council of Finland, travel grant | Finland
- 2004 Young artist of the year 2004, Tampere Art Museum | Finland
 Artist of the month, Frame-fund, July | Finland
- 2003 Best in Show, Toronto Outdoor Art Show | Canada
 Svenska kulturfonden, 1-year grant 2001 Svenska kulturfonden, project grant | Finland
 Paolo Foundation, project grant | Finland
- 1998 University of Arts and Design Helsinki | Finland

COLLECTIONS

- Amos Rex Art Museum | Finland
- Arario Gallery | South Korea
- Helsinki Design Museum | Finland
- Didrichsen Art Museum | Finland
- EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art | Finland
- Heino collection | Finland
- Helsinki Art Museum | Finland
- Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation | Finland

Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art | Finland
KONE Foundation | Finland
National Museum of Norway | Norway
Nelimarkka Foundation | Finland
Oulu Art Museum | Finland
Pizzuti Collection | USA
Pro Artibus | Finland
Racine Art Museum | USA
Saastamoinen Foundation | Finland
Sara Hildén Art Museum | Finland
Shigaraki Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art | Japan
Tampere Art Museum | Finland
Victoria and Albert Museum | United Kingdom
Ville de Chateauroux | France
Wäinö Aaltonen Museum | Finland
Zabludowicz Collection | United Kingdom

PUBLIC SCULPTURES

Kupittaa Park, Turku | Finland
Kotka Sculpture Park, Kotka | Finland
University / Yrkeshögskolan Sydväst, Tammisaari | Finland
Tapiola Metro Station, Tapiola | Finland