



ALVAR AALTO

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## **EDUCATION**

- 1979-85 BA at University of the Arts, Textile Art
- 1985 Master's degree at University of the Arts
- 1988-90 University of the Arts, Metal art
- 1992-97 University of the Arts, Artist's pedagogical studies

## **ACTIVITY**

- 1985-90 Printed textile collections for Marimekko and Kangastus Ltd
- 1992-94 Teacher at Kouvola Institute of Industrial Art and Design, weave product planning
- 1991-92 Teacher at The University of the Arts, experimental handicraft, textile art, jacquard weaving, design and basics of environmental planning
- 2006-08 Teacher at the Lahti Institute of Art and Design, weave product planning
- 1985- has her own atelier

## **COMMISSIONS**

- 2004-05 The Lintuvaara chapel altar pieces and church textiles, Espoo Parishes
- 2002 Two tapestries for the Stockholm Finland-Institute, Stockholm
- 2001 Four tapestries Riistavuori Retirement Home, Helsinki
- 1992 Decorative Urn, The Alessi exhibition, Design Museum, Helsinki

## **HONOURS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

- 2019 The Nordic Award in Textiles, Fokus-foundation
- 2018 The Maire Gullichsen Award  
Supplementary State Artist Pension
- 2017 The Iris Award, The Finnish Colour Association
- 2015 Knight of the Order of the Lion of Finland
- 2000 Textile Artist of the Year
- 1993 Finland Designs Honorary Award
- 2001- The State Grant (5 years)
- 2009- The State Grant (5 years)

## COLLECTIONS

The State of Finland  
Design Museum  
Nordea  
The European Parliament  
The City of Helsinki  
The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland  
The Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation

## SOLO EXHIBITIONS and INSTALLATIONS (selected)

2020 Alvar Aalto Museum, Jyväskylä, Finland  
2019 Abecita Art Museum, Borås, Sweden  
2018 *Tapestry*, The Music House, Helsinki, Finland  
2014 *Kudos*, Gallery Katariina, Helsinki, Finland  
2008 Forum Box, Helsinki, Finland  
2003 The Finnish Institute in Stockholm, Stockholm, Sweden  
2000 Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland  
1998 Gallery Bau, Helsinki, Finland  
1997 Tuusula Town Hall, Tuusula, Finland  
1996 Gallery Ida, Stockholm, Sweden  
1992 The Nurmes Town Museum, Nurmes, Finland  
1989 *The sun was shining, according to my recollection*, installation, The Amer Gallery, Helsinki, Finland  
1988 *House & Garden*, installation, The Budapest Arts and Crafts Museum, Budapest, Hungary  
1986 *Hotel Giorno*, installation, The Marimekko-exhibition, Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS (selected)

2018 *Verynice, Bloodygood*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland  
CHART Design 2018 (Lokal), Copenhagen, Denmark  
*Dansk Gobelinkunst*, Rundetaarn, Copenhagen, Denmark, invitation  
2017 *ME: A portrait in Time*, Helsinki Kunsthalle, Helsinki, Finland  
2015 *Postmodernism*, Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland  
  
2013 *Sustainable Beauty*, Tallinn Design week, Rotermann Quarter old wheat warehouse, Tallinn, Estonia  
*To be with the person I like*, with Kati Tuominen-Niittylä (ceramics), Taitokortteli, Old Warehouses, Joensuu, Finland  
2012-13 *Sustainable Design from Finland*, Design Forum, Helsinki, Finland and Spazio Punch, Giudecca, Venice, Italy  
*KUI? 9th Textile Triennial*, The Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku and Oulu Art Museum, Oulu and Joensuu Art Museum, Joensuu, Finland  
2012-2014 *ARTAPESTRY3*, KunstCentret Silkeborg Bad, Silkeborg, Denmark, and Museum of Central Finland, Jyväskylä, Finland and The Latvian Museum of Art, Riga, Latvia  
2009 *Dansk Gobelin*, Johannes Larsen Museum and Kronborg Castle, Denmark, invitation  
*Hands and Everything*, Texo Jubilee exhibition, The Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland  
*Shape of a Woman*, Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland and The Nordic Embassy, Berlin, Germany  
2002-03 *Fiberscapes*, with Aino Faven and Katri Haahti, City Hall Art Gallery, Ottawa, Canada and the Finnish Embassy in Washington, USA

2001 10th International Textile Triennial, Lodz, Poland  
1995-96 *Intention*, 7th Nordic Textile Triennial, Amos Anderson Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland  
Liljevalchs Konsthall, Stockholm, Sweden,  
Stavanger Art Association, Stavanger, Norway,  
North-Jylland Art Museum, Aalborg, Denmark



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