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1973 Taiwan

Educational Background

- 2000-2002 Master of Arts in Industrial Design
University of Art and Design Helsinki, UIAH. Finland
- 1999 National Master Goldsmith Certificate/ *Mestarinkirja* gained in Finland
- 1997-1999 Goldsmithing and Jewelry Design, post-graduate program
School of Goldsmithing, Institute of Design. Lahti, Finland
- 1993-1996 Bachelor of Science with High Honors in Fine Arts- jewelry/ metal
Hofstra University, Hempstead, New York, USA
Fine Arts - Jewelry major, Art History minor
- 1991-1992 Ming Chuan College, Taipei, Taiwan. Commercial Design.

Working Experiences

- 2009- Co-founder of studio La hest, Lahti, Finland.
- 2006- Freelance designer for Lapponia Jewelry. Finland.
- 2005- Co-founder of Chao & Eero Jewel, Finland.
- 2005 Teaching Product Development course in the Jewelry and Object Design Department
at the Institute of Design in Lahti, Finland.
- 2004- Entrepreneur
- 2001-2002 Contracted watch designer for Saga Co., Ltd., Kaohsiung, Taiwan
- 1999-2000 Watch designer in Saga Co., Ltd., Kaohsiung, Taiwan
- 1996-1997 Teaching assistant for the jewelry courses at Hofstra University, New York, USA

Major Awards

- 2013 Honorable Mention, The 8th Cheongju International Craft Competition, South Korea
- 2010 2nd Merit Award, "METAL Inclinations 2", an International online jewelry competition and
exhibition for 2010-12.

- 2005 3rd Prize in cut stone article and special prize for the use of cut stones in the Faberge 2005 international competition for young jewelers, Finland
- 2002 Excellence Award in “Dream of the Crafts” craft design competition. Taiwan
- 2001 4th Prize of “2001 International Pearl Design Contest”
Japan Cultured Pearl Retailers Association, Japan
Tour exhibition in Japan

Exhibitions

- 2014 “In the Vitrine- unique jewelry and vitrines from five designers”. Au3 Kultasepät, Helsinki. The exhibition is part of the 2014 Helsinki Design Week program.
- 2013 “Ho! Ho! Ho!” group exhibition. Friends of Carlotta, Zurich, Switzerland.
- “Lahtelainen olohuone” during Lahti Biennale ’13. Sibeliustalo, Lahti, Finland
- “2013 Beijing International Jewelry exhibition”, invited artist. World Art Museum China Millennium Monument, Beijing, China.
- “The Wonderful Scenery” invited group exhibition, BMFJ gallery, Taipei, Taiwan
- Cheongju International Craft Biennale 2013, Craft Competition winning works group exhibition. Cheongju, South Korea.
- 2012 Special exhibition of 7 invited jewelry artists, at Tajmasago Castle organized by Gallery Vivekkevin, Phu My Hung, Vietnam
- "Hirameki 3- Himmeli installation", Suntory Museum of Art, Midtown Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- “En Route” solo exhibition, Lahti Muotohuoltamo Centre, Lahti, Finland
- “ A Couple of Masters” duo exhibition with Eero Hintsanen, The Craft Museum of Finland, Jyväskylä, Finland
- “THE ART. by Chao-Hsien Kuo –Simplicity” solo exhibition, Helsinki, Finland.
- "BETWEEN TRADITION AND FUTURE" group exhibition at EUNIQUE 2012 arts & crafts, Karlsruhe Trade Fair Center, Germany.
- "In the beginning it is all about love" group exhibition, iii gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2011 “Light” invitation group exhibition, Sterling Galleria in Budapest, Hungary.
- "BETWEEN TRADITION AND FUTURE" - Experimental craft and contemporary design from Finland, juried group exhibition at Cheongju International Craft Biennale, South Korea.
- “Metal Effects” invitation exhibition. Pôle Bijou galerie, Baccarat, France
- “Preesens” juried exhibition. The Craft Museum of Finland, Jyväskylä, Finland.
- 2010 “METAL Inclinations 2” International juried online jewelry exhibition, 2010-12.
- “Hirameki Design x Finland”, group exhibition, Living Design Center Ozone, Tokyo, Japan.
- “Chao & Eero Jewel”, duo exhibition with Eero Hintsanen, Täky Galleria, Lappeenranta, Finland
- “Sparkling Garden” invitation exhibition of three female artists, Sincewell Gallery, Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
- “Finnish Jewellery 1600-2009” group exhibition, Fitchburg Art Museum, Fitchburg, USA

- 2009 “European Prize for Applied Arts”, Mons, Belgium
- “Finnish Jewellery 1600-2009” group exhibition. Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland.
- “Re-interpreting Nature“ group exhibition. The Museum of Applied Arts, Budapest, Hungary.
- Itami International Craft Exhibition, Itami, Japan.
- “Slow Living“ group exhibition, Sincewell Gallery, Kaohsiung, Taiwan.
- 2008 ”METAL Inclinations“ juried exhibition, an International online Metalsmithing and Jewelry Exhibition presented by The Society for Midwest Metalsmiths, U.S.A.
- 2008 ”Contemporary Taiwanese Jewelry Exhibition” group exhibition, Nanjing Municipal Museum, Nanjing, China.
- SOFA CHICAGO 2008
the 15th annual international exposition of Sculpture Objects & Functional Art. Chicago, U.S.A
- “Sieraad”, WesterGasfabriek, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- “Chao & Eero- our nature“ duo exhibition with Eero Hintanen, Design Forum Finland, Helsinki, Finland
- “Kokoelma/ Collection” group exhibition. Lahti, Finland
- “Best of European Contemporary Crafts II”, Paris, France
- “pro. KORU II”, invited artist. Iron Inc.Gallery, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2007 “New Traditional Jewellery 2007”, juried exhibition, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- “Sieraad”, Amsterdam Rai, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- SOFA CHICAGO 2007
the 14th annual international exposition of Sculpture Objects & Functional Art. Chicago, U.S.A
- “Best of European Contemporary Crafts”, Luxembourg
- “pro. KORU II”, invited artist. Lappeenranta, Finland
- “Love Signs” group exhibition, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2006 “Sieraad”, Amsterdam Rai, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- ”Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show”, Philadelphia, U.S.A.
- “New Hearts, New Thoughts” group exhibition, Taipei, Taiwan
- “On the Border” group exhibition. Lappeenranta, Finland
- “Re-interpreting Nature” group exhibition. Design Forum Finland, Helsinki, Finland
- “Bridge 1, part 2” group exhibition. Insa Art Center, Seoul, Korea
- “2 faces, 2 forms, 1 soul” group exhibition. O+ Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2005 “Hand in Hand- jewelry for the bride” solo exhibition
Design Forum Finland, Helsinki, Finland
- “Joieria Finlandesa” group exhibition. FAD Gallery, Barcelona, Spain
- “Häme Design 2005” juried exhibition. Forssa and Heinola Art Museum, Finland
- “Jewel Case” group exhibition. Lahti, Finland
- “Blooming Design” juried exhibition, Keukenhof, Netherlands
- 2004 “Valkoinen- White” group exhibition. Fiskars, Finland
- “Young Forum 2004” group exhibition. Helsinki, Finland; Tokyo, Japan;

- Kajaani Museum of Art, Finland (16.1.-27.2.2005)
- Group exhibition organized by Platina Gallery. Gotland, Sweden
- 2002 "Space in Common" group exhibition
Lume Gallery at Univeristy of Art and Design Helsinki, UIAH. Finland
- O Gallery invitaton group exhibition. Brussels, Belgium
- "Masters of Arts Degree Show 2002" . The Museum of Art and Design, Helsinki, Finland
- 2002 "Hidden Passion – The Innovation of Metalworks by Women Artists from Japan, Korea, and Taiwan (2002 – 2003)" tour exhibition. Taipei, Taiwan; Tokyo, Japan; Seoul, Korea
- 2001 "Illa- Island" jewelry and sculpture group exhibition. Escola Massana, Barcelona, Spain
- "Metallit 2001" group exhibition. Fiskars, Finland
- "Taiwanese Modern Jewelry" group exhibition. Art Gallery of Chang Foundation, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2000 Master Goldsmith group exhibition. Lahti and Helsinki, Finland
- 1999 "Kaiverrus – Taito ja Taide " group exhibition. The Museum of Art and Design, Helsinki, Finland
- 1998 "Kulta Aika - Golden Age " group exhibition. Lahti, Finland
- "Project 98" group exhibition. Lahti, Finland

Grants

- 2014 Finnish Cultural Foundation
- 2013 Niilo Helander Foundation
- 2013 The Arts Council of Häme
- 2010 The Finnish Cultural Foundation, Päijät-Häme Regional Fund (as a group)
- 2010 Arts Council of Finland, State Grant 1 year
- 2009 The Finnish Cultural Foundation, Päijät-Häme Regional Fund (as a group)
- 2009 Arts Council of Finland (as a group)
- 2008 The Finnish Cultural Foundation, Päijät-Häme Regional Fund
- 2007 Arts Council of Finland, State Grant 0,5 year
- 2007 The Finnish Cultural Foundation (as a group)
- 2006 Greta and William Lehtinen Foundation
- 2005 The Finnish Cultural Foundation
- 2005 The Arts Council of Häme

Publications

- 2013 *Showcase 500 art necklaces*, Lark Crafts, New York.
- 2013 *SCAN magazine*, issue 55, August 2013, London
- 2013 *Goldschmiede Zeitung*, June 2013, Germany
- 2012 *Koru Suomessa*, Design Museum, Helsinki
- 2012 *Harper's BAZAAR*, international Chinese edition, July 2012, no. 271
- 2012 *Goldschmiede Zeitung*, June 2012, Germany
- 2012 *Showcase 500 rings*, Lark Crafts, New York
- 2011 *VOGUE Mexico*, August 2011, Mexico
- 2011 *Goldschmiede Zeitung*, June 2011, Germany
- 2011 *Avotakka*, May 2011, Finland
- 2011 *500 Silver Jewelry Design*, Lark Books, New York.
- 2011 *BlueWings*, January 2011, Finland
- 2011 *2535*, edition 01/2011, Taipei, Taiwan
- 2010 *500 Gemstone Jewels*, Lark Books, New York.
- 2009 *Compendium Finale of Contemporary Jewellers 2008*, Darling Publications, Cologne / New York.
- 2009 *Traveler Luxe* magazine, No.44, Taipei, Taiwan.
- 2009 *Casa+* home design magazine, Mar. 2009, Taipei, Taiwan.
- 2008 *dpi magazine*, vol 112, Taipei, Taiwan.

2008 *Bijoux. Illustration et Design.* maomao publications, Barcelona.
2007 *500 Wedding Rings*, Lark Books, New York.

Collections

Design Museo, Helsinki, Finland
Korutaideyhdistys ry, Finland

Membership

The Finnish Association of Designers Ornamo
The Finnish Goldsmith Association
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