

# GALERIE FORSBLOM

## KIM SIMONSSON

1974 Born in Helsinki, Finland  
Lives and works in Fiskars, Finland

## EDUCATION

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

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *Grower*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki  
*Moss People*, Instituto Iberoamericano de Finlandia, Madrid
- 2022 *The Year of the Moss Children*, Design Miami, Jason Jacques Gallery, USA  
*Moss Cabbage People*, Galerie NeC, Paris  
*Silhouettes*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
- 2021 *Moss People*, Iyouth Studio, Shanghai, China  
*Beautés équivoques*, Fondation Bernardaud, Limoges, France  
*Small Monuments*, KWUM Museum, Fiskars, Finland
- 2020 *Moss People and Other Stories*, Alzqueta Gallery, Barcelona, Spain
- 2019 *Chosen*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki  
*Stories at Campfire*, Galerie NeC, Paris
- 2018 *Treasure Hunters*, Galerie Forsblom, Stockholm
- 2017 *Shaman Party*, Jason Jacques Gallery, New York, USA
- 2016 *Moss People*, Galerie Nilsson & Chiglien, Paris  
*Little Prince and Moss People*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
- 2015 *Moss People*, Jason Jacques Gallery, New York, USA
- 2014 *Invisible Hand*, Galleria Sculptor, Helsinki
- 2012 Kim Simonsson, Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris  
*Chameleon*, Galleria Heino, Helsinki
- 2010 *Ponytail*, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA  
*Parallel Reality*, Musée d'Ansembourg, Liege, Belgium
- 2009 *Sculptures*, Galerie Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris  
*Pro Arte Award Exhibition*, Didrichsen Art Museum, Helsinki  
*Duality*, Wonderland Art Space, Copenhagen  
*The Golden Deer*, Retretti, Punkaharju, Finland  
*Animal Gaze*, Galleria Heino, Helsinki
- 2008 *Invisible World*, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA  
*Variations on a Decoration*, Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland  
*Sculptures*, Finnish Cultural Institute, Oslo
- 2007 *Den osynliga hjorten*, Finnish Cultural Institute, Stockholm  
*Dreams and Disappointments II*, Herrmann & Wagner Gallery, Berlin
- 2006 *Camouflage*, Galleria Heino, Helsinki
- 2005 Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA

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- Dislocated Clay and a Transformative Mirror*, NCECA, Maryland, Institute College of Art, Baltimore, USA  
2004 Young Artist of the Year, Tampere Art Museum, Finland  
2003 *K9 & NIKE*, Kluuvi Gallery, Helsinki  
2000 *Realm of The Senses*, Studio Hyöryllistä, Turku, Finland  
1999 *Ideaali*, Gallery of the Fine Arts Academy, Helsinki

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2023 *Galerie Forsblom's 45th Anniversary Exhibition*, Helsinki  
*Toucher Terre*, Espace Monte-Cristo, Fondation Villa Datriis Paris
- 2022 *Manifesto of Fragility*, Lyon Contemporary Biennale, Lyon, Paris  
*Moss People*, lille300, Lille, France  
*Human and Animal*, Iwate Museum of Art, Japan  
*Sculptures*, KWUM, Fiskars Village, Finland
- 2021 *Beautés équivoques Exhibition*, Fondation Bernardaud, Limoges, France
- 2020 *Call to the Wild / L'appel de la nature*, Maison Louis Carré, Bazoches-sur-Guyonne, France  
*Skulptur i Pilane*, Klövedal, Sweden  
*In the Shade of the Forest*, Halosenniemi Museum, Tuusula, Finland
- 2019 Luonnon edestä, Poikilo-museo, Kouvola, Finland  
*Beyond the Vessel, Myths, Legends, and Fables in Contemporary Ceramics*, Meshar, Istanbul  
Åland Art Museum, Mariehamn, Finland  
Didrichsen Art Museum, Helsinki  
KWUM, Keramik Museum, Fiskars, Finland  
*From the Shadows of Night to the Brightness of Day*, Makasiini Contemporary, Turku, Finland
- 2018 *No Time*, the McEvoy Foundation for the Arts, San Francisco, USA  
*Northern Exposure: Contemporary Nordic Arts Revealed*, Nordic Museum, Seattle, USA  
*The Fantastical Worlds of Kim Simonsson*, The American Swedish Institute, Minneapolis, USA  
*Monkey and Waterfall: Pictures of our Climate*, Sara Hildén Art Museum, Tampere, Finland  
*Ceramics Now: The Faenza Price is 80 Years Old*, The International Museum of Ceramics, Faenza, Italy  
*About Clay: Pearls of European Ceramic Art in Fiskars*, The Copper Smithy, Fiskars, Finland  
*Alice in Wonderland*, Art and Museum Centre Sinkka, Kerava, Finland
- 2017 Kim Simonsson & Kalevala Koru, Hanaholmen Cultural Center, Helsinki
- 2016 *PYHÄNIEMI 2016*, Hollola, Finland  
*Human Condition*, #TheHospital, Los Angeles, USA  
*Wild Strawberries*, Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland
- 2015 *Summer Exhibition*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki  
*9 SEASONS*, Embassy of Finland, Finlandia Hall, Washington D.C., USA  
*Skills*, ØKS, Fredrikstad, Norway
- 2014 Lahti Art Museum, Finland  
*Helsinki Fat Clay*, Galerie Heller, Heidelberg, Germany  
*Blurred Lines*, Fiskars Village, Finland

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- Skills*, The Lofoten Islands, Norway  
*Blurred Lines*, Fiskars Village, Finland  
*Melancholy*, Villa Roosa, Orimattila, Finland  
*The Adidas Man and the Strongwoman*, 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*, Artium, Fukuoka, Japan  
*1:10*, Arabia Art Department 10 years, Gallery Arabia, Helsinki  
*Spark, Critical Contemporary Art and Design*, Granary, Fiskars, Finland  
*Joy*, Copper Smithy, Fiskars, Finland  
*Happy End?*, Helsinki Art Museum, Helsinki
- 2012  
*Camouflage*, Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art  
*Tendenser*, Galleri F 15, Moss, Norway  
*Helsinki Fat Clay*, Faenza and Milan, Italy  
Shigaraki Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Japan
- 2011  
*Reflective Shadow*, Ordrupgaard, Copenhagen  
*Close Your Eyes and Tell Me What You See*, Gothenburg Museum of Art, Sweden  
*The Figuratives*, Oude Kerk, Delft, The Netherlands
- 2010  
*Korero*, Taiwan Ceramics Biennale, Yingge Ceramics Museum, Taiwan  
*Best of Wonderland*, Wonderland Art Space, Copenhagen  
*Portraiture Beyond Likeness*, Wayne Art Center, Philadelphia, USA  
*100 Years of Sculpture in Finland*, Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland  
*Feuer Und Eis*, Keramikmuseum Westerwald, Höhr-Grenzhausen, Germany  
*Collect*, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2009  
*Prospection and Perspective*, Galerie Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris  
*Miami Warm Up*, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA  
*Visuell förvirring*, Åland Art Museum, Mariehamn, Finland
- 2008  
*Confrontational Ceramics*, The Arts Exchange, White Plains, USA  
*KunstKörperlich - KörperKunstlich Part 2*, Kunsthalle, Dominikanerkirche, Osnabruck, Germany  
International Biennale of Contemporary Ceramic Art Vallauris, France  
*Incertitude de la vision*, Tour & Taxis, Brussels  
*Every Body Counts*, Vestfossen Kunstlaboratorium, Norway  
*La Position de la Terre*, Crac Alsace, France
- 2007  
*Evil Eye*, Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki  
*Silent Violence*, Oulu Art Museum, Finland  
*Present 2007*, Bomuldsfabriken Kunsthall, Aredal, Norway  
*I Would Like To Be A Dog*, Rauma Art Museum, Finland
- 2006  
*6 Rooms*, Porvoo Art Factory, Finland  
*SOFA NY*, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA  
*Another Worlds part II*, Arario gallery, Cheonan, South Korea
- 2005  
*Japan Pop*, Helsinki Art Museum  
*Trans Ceramic-Art*, 3rd Ceramic Biennale, Icheon, South Korea
- 2003  
Wegway Show, S.P.I.N. Gallery, Toronto, Canada  
Toronto Outdoor Art Show, Toronto, Canada  
*One Hundred Years of Finnish Ceramics*, Design Museum, Helsinki
- 2002  
*Inverno*, Este Gallery, Toronto, Canada  
Group Show, The Palace, Toronto, Canada

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- 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, Lappeenranta, Finland  
*THINK*, Ateneum Finnish National Gallery, Helsinki
- 1999 Nenonen, Partanen, Lerviks, Persson, Simonsson; Into galleria, Helsinki
- 1998 Contemporary Glass Art, Studio Mezzo, Helsinki  
*Keramik 98*, Konstfacket, Stockholm
- 1997 *Glass and Light*, Tampere Museum of Modern Art, Finland

## AWARDS

- 2022 Posti Art Award
- 2013 Art Prize, Svenska kulturfonden
- 2012 William Thuring Prize, Finnish Art Society
- 2009 Pro Arte Award, Didrichsen Art Museum
- 2008&2006 Walter Runeberg Foundation Award
- 2004 Young Artist of the Year
- 2003 Best in Show, Toronto Outdoor Art Show, Canada

## COLLECTIONS

Amos Andersson Art Museum, Helsinki  
Arario Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
Collection Kakkonen, Helsinki  
Design Museum, Helsinki  
Didrichsen Art Museum, Helsinki  
EMMA – Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Finland  
Fondation Villa Datris, Paris  
Heino Collection, Helsinki  
Helsinki Art Museum HAM  
Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation, Finland  
Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki  
KONE Foundation, Helsinki  
McEvoy Foundation, San Francisco, USA  
Museum of Modern Ceramic Art, Gifu, Japan  
National Museum of Norway  
Nelimarkka Foundation, Helsinki  
Oulu Art Museum, Finland  
Pizzuti Collection, Columbus, USA  
Pro Artibus, Tammisaari, Finland  
Racine Art Museum, USA  
Saastamoinen Foundation, Helsinki  
Sara Hildén Art Museum, Tampere, Finland  
Shigaraki Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art, Japan  
Tampere Art Museum, Finland  
Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK  
Ville de Chateauroux, France  
Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku, Finland

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## PUBLIC SCULPTURES

Tivoli, Copenhagen, Denmark

Mustio School, Finland

Kupittaa Park, Turku, Finland

Kotka Sculpture Park, Finland

University / Yrkeshögskolan Sydväst, Tammisaari, Finland

Tapiola Metro Station, Espoo, Finland