

GALERIE FORSBLOM

KAARINA KAIKKONEN

1952 Born in 1952 in Iisalmi, Finland
Lives and works in Helsinki

EDUCATION

1978-1983 Finnish Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2024 *The Tiers Shed Because of You*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
- 2023 *Reaching Light*, Brescia Capital of Culture, Chiesa di Borgo Trento, Brescia, Italy
Waves of Life, Brescia Capital of Culture, Via Tasso, Bergamo, Italy
Flying Waters, Riverrun Festival, The Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C.
- 2022 *Kaarina Kaikkonen-Tied together*, M77 Galleria, Milano, Italy
Tied together, site specific installation, Rotonda della Besana, Milano, Italy
We Need Some Hope, Kunsthalle Charlottenborg façade, Copenhagen
- 2020 *I No Longer Hear You Singing*, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
Hanaholmen Swedish-Finnish Cultural Centre, Espoo, Finland
- 2019 *Kaarina Kaikkonen*, Kuhmo festival, Finland
Kaarina Kaikkonen, Z2O galleria Sara Zanin, Rome
We Are Still the Same, SALT Art Center, Oslo
- 2018 *From the Bottom of My Heart*, Uppsala Art Museum, Sweden
You Remain in Me, Kunsten Museum of Modern Art, Aalborg, Denmark
- 2017 *Kaarina Kaikkonen*, Uppsala Art Museum, Uppsala, Sweden
Growing the Sun, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
Kaarina Kaikkonen, Les boréales, Le Musée des Beaux-Arts de Caen, Caen, France
- 2015 *Layers*, Hyvinkää Art Museum, Hyvinkää, Finland
- 2014 *Kaarina Kaikkonen*, Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland
Touching the Sky, Centro Arte Contemporanea Pecci, Prato, Italy
Whereabouts, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
Touching the Sky, CentroCentro, Madrid
- 2013 *Kaarina Kaikkonen*, K11 Art Space, Shanghai, China
Time Passing By, Brighton Festival, Clock Tower, Brighton, UK
The Blue Route, Fabrica, Brighton, UK
Traces, Museum of Memory and Human Rights, Santiago, Chile
Dialogues, The Chilean National Museum for Fine Arts, Santiago, Chile
- 2012 *Are We Still Afloat?*, The Kennedy Center, Washington D.C
Towards Tomorrow, MAXXI Museo Nazionale Belle Arti, Rome
Are We Still Going On?, Collezione Maramotti, Reggio Emilia, Italy

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2011	<i>As a Tree I Can Feel the Wind</i> , Special project, Art Miami, USA <i>Life Paths</i> , Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki
2010	<i>I Would Have Wanted to Blossom Out</i> , Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Nurmijärvi Library, Nurmijärvi, Finland
2009	<i>From Generation to Generation</i> , Fondazione Pastificio Cerere, Rome <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Oulu Art Museum, Finland
2008	<i>Changes of Directions</i> , Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Finland <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Örebro Konsthall, Sweden <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Korjaamo Culture Factory, Helsinki <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Forsblom Projects, Helsinki <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Konsthallen Trollhättan, Sweden <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , l'Espal, Le Mans, France <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Norrtälje Konsthall, Sweden
2007	<i>Inner Borders</i> , The State Hermitage Museum, St Petersburg, Russia <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , l'Institute finlandais, Paris
2006	<i>And It Was Empty</i> , University Wyoming Art Museum, Laramie, USA <i>Across the Deep</i> , Bass Museum of Art, Miami, USA <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Jyväskylä Art Museum, Finland <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Charlottenborg, Copenhagen, <i>Reaching Far</i> , Rochester Cathedral, UK
2005	<i>The Presence of Absence</i> , Remy Toledo Gallery, New York, USA <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Helsinki Kunsthalle
2003	<i>Beyond Reach</i> , Fabrica, Brighton, UK
2002	<i>Wohin</i> , Rastatt Schloss, Germany
2001	<i>And the Wind Blows Over You</i> , Helsinki Kunsthalle Studio
2000	<i>Way</i> , Helsinki Cathedral <i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Mikkeli Art Museum, Finland
1999	<i>And the Wind Blows Over You</i> , Kuopio Art Museum, Finland
1998	<i>The Sea Was Empty</i> , Maison de l'Art Actuel des Chartreux, Brussels <i>Towards</i> , Galleri III, Oslo
1995	<i>Did I Reach a Harbour?</i> , Gallery Artina, Helsinki <i>Hope</i> , Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki
1994	<i>Shadow Sun</i> , Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland <i>Room</i> , Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Finland
1993	<i>And the Wind Blows Over You</i> , Joensuu Art Museum, Finland <i>We, Who We Cannot Find</i> , Kivipankki, Jämsä, Finland
1992	<i>And the Wind Blows Over You</i> , Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki
1991	<i>Kaarina Kaikkonen</i> , Heinola Art Museum, Finland <i>Advantage</i> , Savonlinna Art Museum, Finland
1990	<i>Mouths Open</i> , Finnish Gallery for Paper Art, Kuusankoski, Finland
1989	<i>Forgotten Promise</i> , Lieksa Park, Finland
1988	<i>A Concession Already Made</i> , Amer Gallery, Helsinki

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2023	<i>Galerie Forsblom's 45th-Anniversary Exhibition</i> , Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki <i>Baltic Horizons</i> , State Gallery of Art, Sopot, Poland
2022	<i>Kunsten Retro</i> , KUNSTEN Museum of Modern Art Aalborg, Denmark <i>Threads of Memory</i> , Numeroventi, Firenze, Italy
2021	<i>UNITY/PEACE/FORWARD</i> , The John F. Kennedy Center, Washington DC

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2020	<i>Landscape</i> , KUNSTEN Museum for Modern Art, Denmark <i>Changwon Sculpture Biennale</i> , South Korea <i>Finlayson Art Area</i> , Tampere, Finland <i>Traces</i> , Museo Civico Medievale, Bologna, Italy <i>Explorations</i> , Turku Art Museum, Finland
2019	<i>Im kleinen Format</i> , Galerie Scheffel, Bad Homburg, Germany <i>Ready to go!</i> Munich City Museum, Germany <i>When is now?</i> Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku, Finland <i>Finnish Aalto</i> , Busan Art Museum, South Korea <i>Blickachsen 12</i> , Frankfurt/Bad Homburg, Germany
2018	<i>Nordic Views</i> , Galleri Bo Bjerggaard, Copenhagen <i>Die Zweite Haut</i> , Museum Schloss Moyland, Bedburg-Hau, Germany
2017	<i>Nature Morte</i> , Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, <i>ITSENÄISYYS</i> , Uppsala Art Museum, Uppsala, Sweden <i>Donne di Colore</i> , Torre dei Lambardi di Magione, Perugia, Italy <i>Suloisessa Suomessamme</i> , Iisalmi Birch Alley, Finland <i>Dreamaholic</i> , Museum for Contemporary Art, Weserburg, Germany <i>Extension.fi</i> , Victoria Gallery, Samara, Russia <i>Extension.fi</i> , Triumph Gallery, Moscow
2016	<i>Sublimina</i> , Museo delle Mura, Rome <i>Second Skin</i> , Museum Sinclair-Haus, Bad-Homburg, Germany Sculpture Quadrennial, Riga, Latvia <i>SKILLS</i> , Oulu Art Museum, Finland
2015	<i>In Other Worlds</i> , Städtische Galerie, Bietigheim-Bissingen, Stuttgart, Germany <i>SKILLS</i> , Konsthallen Luleå, Sweden <i>Touch</i> , EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art, Finland <i>Face to Face</i> , Kiasma Museum of Art, Helsinki <i>Industriale Immaginario</i> , Collexione Maramotti, Reggio Emilia, Italy <i>Finlayson Art Area</i> , Tampere, Finland <i>SHOEting STARS</i> , Sie Stadtgalerie Klagenfurt, Germany <i>Occupie Space! Finnish Sculpture Now</i> , Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland <i>FINLAND</i> , Galleri21, Malmö, Sweden <i>Under the Rainbow</i> , Kerava Art Museum, Finland
2014	<i>SKILLS</i> , Nord Norsk Kunstnersenter, Svolvaer, Lofoten, Norway <i>Le vol en provenance d'Helsinki</i> , CRAC, Montbeliard, France <i>Arts plastiques</i> , Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris <i>Parallelwelten</i> , Stadtgalerie Kiel, Germany <i>Nature and More</i> , Rostock Kunsthalle, Germany <i>SHOEting Stars</i> , Kunsthaus Wien, Museum Hundertwasser, Wien <i>IX Määntä Art Festival</i> , Määntä, Finland <i>RE-art</i> , MEKEN, Smedjebacken, Sweden <i>V Bienal de Arte Contemporáneo de la Fundación ONCE</i> , CentroCentro, Madrid <i>Prato Contemporanea</i> , Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea Luigi Pecci, Prato, Italy <i>Resonance(s)</i> , Maison Particuliere, Brussels
2013	<i>The Queen of Night, Auf Schritt und Tritt - Schuhwerk in Kunst und Design</i> , Museum Villa Rot, Ulm, Germany <i>Forget Me Not, Out of Fashion</i> , KUNSTEN Museum of Modern Art Aalborg, Denmark <i>Liberty, ICASTICA</i> , 1. Biennale International d'Arte di Arezzo, Italy <i>Misuse: Creating Alternatives</i> , The Cass Bank Gallery, London

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- Forget Me Not, Out of Fashion*, GI Holtegaard, Copenhagen
Where Is My Home? USE—United States of Europe, City Hall, Cork, Ireland; Récollects, Paris
- 2012
A Connection, USE—United States of Europe, Pharos Arts Foundation, Nicosia, Cyprus
Existence, Memory – International Contemporary Sculpture, PAN-Palazzo delle Arti, Naples, Italy
The Queen of the Night, What a Party! Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland
Where Is My Home? USE—United States of Europe, International Airport, Vilnius, Lithuania; Railway Station, Helsinki
- 2011
Ekolandia, Lahti Art Museum, Finland
Memory – New international Sculpture, Rosenfeld Porcini, London
Hiding Memories, Humanscape, Spazio Museale di Palazzo Tornielli, Ameno, Italy
The Gate, II Caos-Conflicts, Collateral Event Venice Biennale, Venice, Italy
Is There a Better Future?, Critical Mass, St Petersburg, Russia
Connection, USE—United States of Europe, FabrySTREFA, Lodz, Poland
The Queen of the Night, Etre Ainsi, Le Manoir, Martigny, Switzerland
- 2010
Hanging on to Each Other, The 6th Liverpool Biennale, Liverpool, UK
Hiding Memories, No Longer Empty, Governors Island, New York, USA
Growing Connections, Vancouver Biennale, Vancouver, Canada
The Queen of the Night, Baltic Biennale II, St. Petersburg, Russia
God Dag, Borås International Sculpture Festival 2010, Borås, Sweden
Forget Me Not, Kajaani Art Museum, Finland
Den Gyldne, Vestjylland Art Museum, Tistrup, Denmark
The Sea Was Empty, Memory Traces, Ludwig Museum Koblenz, Germany
My Outline, Cosmos, Silkeborgbad Art Center, Denmark
The Queen of the Night, Etre Ainsi, Espace culturel Boris Vian, Les Ulis, France
- 2009
Networking, Here and Now, Art First Bologna, Bologna, Italy
We Are All in The Same Boat, Eskilstuna Art Museum, Sweden
- 2008
Des Profondeur, Confections, Biennale du lin, Quebec, Canada
The Arch That We Are, My Space, The Palazzo Delle Arti Napoli, Naples, Italy
And It Was Empty, Cairo 11th Biennale, Cairo
Good day, Borås International Sculpture Festival, Sweden
Ur havets mörka djup, Örebro OpenART 2008, Örebro Konsthall, Sweden
The Queen of the Night, Pewna Finlandia, BWA Contemporary Art Gallery, Wrocław, Poland
The Queen of the Night, Pewna Finlandia, Oronsko Sculpture Center, Poland
- 2007
Ashes to Ashes, Hoviart, Anttola, Finland
Morning, Barely Legal, Chelsea Galleria, Miami, Florida
The Queen of the Night, Pewna Finlandia, BWA Contemporary Art Gallery, Katowice, Poland
Box, Gallery Alkovi, Helsinki
OH MY GOD, Vestfossen Kunslaboratorium, Oslo
- 2006
Was I Able to Fly? Age of the Animal, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki
20/20, Chelsea Galleria, Miami, Florida, USA
Like a Bridge Over Troubled Water, Echigo-Tsumari Art Triennial, Niigata, Japan

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	<i>From the Depths</i> , Biennale Balticum, Rauma Art Museum, Finland
	<i>My Outline, Influenced Identity</i> , Bernice Steinbaum Gallery, Miami, Florida
	<i>Påskeudstillingen i Tistrup</i> , Vestjylland Art Museum, Tistrup, Denmark
	Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä, Finland
2005	<i>Fogelfrei</i> , Stadt Paradies, Darmstadt, Germany
	<i>My Outline</i> , Omniart, Miami, Florida
	<i>Upwards, Une certaine Finland</i> , atelier340muzeum, Brussels
	<i>The Queen of the Night</i> , Den Gyldne, Charlottenborg, Copenhagen
2004	<i>And It was Empty</i> , Omniart, Miami, Florida, USA
	<i>A Path</i> , Umedalen Skulptur Umeå, Sweden
	<i>In the Darkness</i> , Den Haag Sculptuur, The Hague, The Netherlands
	<i>Den Gyldne</i> , Charlottenborg, Copenhagen
	<i>Postcards from Cuba</i> , Henie Onstad Kunstsenter, Oslo
	<i>Safe Crossing, Sound and Fury</i> , Iisalmi Art Hall, Finland
2003	<i>Departure</i> , 8th Havana Biennial
	<i>Towards Light, Loud and Proud</i> , Anttolanhovi, Mikkeli, Finland
	<i>Did I Reach the Harbour, Night Train</i> , Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki
2002	<i>Passage, In & Out</i> , Kuopio Art Museum, Finland
2001	<i>In Via</i> , Flemish Ministry, Brussels
	<i>Aspiration, Metamorphoses in Sculpture</i> , Turku Art Museum, Finland
	<i>And the Wind Blows Over You, The Spirit of the Forest</i> , Kunsthalle Helsinki
	<i>New Paper Art</i> , Crafts Council, London
	<i>Art in Savo - Savo in Art</i> , Lapinlahti Art Museum, Finland
	<i>And It Was Empty</i> , MIELI-kuva Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä, Finland
	<i>I Still Miss You</i> , Première, Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris
	<i>Paper+Finland=Art</i> , Galerie Montcalme, Hull, MA, USA, Harbourfront Center, Toronto, Canada; Nash Gallery, Minneapolis, MN, USA
2000	<i>And It Was Empty, Overgångar</i> , Malmö konstmuseum, Sweden;
	Kunsthalle, Rostock, Germany
	<i>Qui a planté ces grands arbres?</i> , Galerie La Ferronnerie, Paris; Espace Huit November, Paris
	<i>And Its Was Empty, Transformations</i> , Natural History Museum in Helsinki
	<i>Paper+Finland=Art</i> , The Art Gallery of Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada; Triangle Gallery, Calgary, Canada; Susquehanna Art Museum, Harrisburg, PA, USA
1999	<i>Paper Worlds</i> , Musée de Pully, Lausanne, Switzerland; Galerie im Werkstatt Laden, Winterthur, Switzerland; Aine Art Museum in Tornio, Finland
	<i>Paper+Finland=Art</i> , Mingei International Museum, San Diego, USA
	<i>Alkumeri</i> , Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland
	<i>Shadow, Sky Is the Limit</i> , Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Finland
	<i>Three Women</i> , Lapinlahti Art Museum, Finland
	<i>La Nature du Papier Salle des Cordeliers</i> , Annonay, France
1998	Espace Valles, Grenoble, France
	<i>Funf Bildhauerinnen aus Finnland</i> , Kulturbahnhof Eller, Germany
	<i>Paper+Finland=Art</i> , American Craft Museum, New York, USA; The Chicago Athenaeum at Schaumburg, Chicago, USA
	<i>Paper Worlds</i> , Lönnström Art Museum, Rauma, Finland; Jyväskylä Art Museum, Finland

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1997	<i>Ireland and Europe</i> , Iveagh Gardens, Dublin, Ireland <i>Echo</i> , Tallinna Art Hall, Estonia <i>Glass and Light</i> , Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Finland
1995	<i>My Outline, Fiber</i> , Fiskars Art Center, Finland <i>Journey Home, Fair Wind</i> , Hanko foreshore, Finland <i>Shadow Sun, River</i> , Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland
1994	<i>Art Works Work Spaces</i> , Hyvinkää Art Museum, Finland <i>Born on the Moss</i> , Secret Garden, Hämeenlinna Art Museum, Finland
1993	<i>Layers, Points of View</i> , Retretti Art Center, Punkaharju, Finland <i>Journey, Nature of Paper</i> , The Center of Polish Sculpture, Oronsko, Poland
1992	<i>Finnish Contemporary Art</i> , Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä, Finland <i>Paper on Paper</i> , Lappeenranta Art Museum, Finland <i>USA-Finland, Contrasts and Connections</i> , touring exhibition, USA
1991	<i>12 Spaces</i> , Kerava Art Museum, Finland
1990	<i>Set for the Sea</i> , Gallery Titanic, Turku, Finland <i>A Stolen Kiss</i> , Kotka Fire Station, Finland

AWARDS

2020	I prize for Matti Nykänen memorial competition
2019	National Prize for Percent Art
2013	Knight, First Class, of the Order of the Lion of Finland The Golden Chimera, 1 Biennale International d'Arte di Arezzo
2009	Honorable Mention in Cairo 11 th Biennale, Egypt
2008	Honorable Prize, Cairo 11 th Biennale, Cairo
2004	The Public Prize, Den Haag Sculptuur 2004, Holland
2001	The Prize of Environmental Art, Finland State Art Award
1998	II prize in the art competition in Espoo, Finland
1996	II prize in the art competition in Hyvinkää, Finland
1989	State Art Award, Finland
1985	Prize in Nurnberg Drawing Triennale, Germany
1982	I prize in the art competition for Finnish Club, Helsinki
1979	Iisalmi City Art Prize, Finland

PUBLIC WORKS

2022	<i>Höyhen</i> , Olympic Champion Matti Nykänen memorial, Jyväskylä, Finland
2021	<i>Flow of Energy</i> , School in Matinkylä, Espoo, Finland
2018	<i>We Are Still the Same</i> , SALT, Oslo <i>Lifetime Learning</i> , Tesoma, Tampere Finland
2017	<i>Vasten auringon siltaa</i> , Mikkeli, Finland <i>Blowing in the Wind</i> , Stiftung Nantesbuch, Germany
2016	<i>I Am Part of This Song</i> , Tampere House, Finland <i>Falling Light € Blooming Spirit</i> , Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki
2015	<i>We Share a Dream</i> , Buffalo Niagara International Airport, Commissioned by the Albright-Knox Art Gallery, Public Art Initiative, 2015, USA Valssi elämälle, Didrichsen Art Museum, Helsinki
2012	<i>The Upsurging Spirit</i> , Tampere, Finland <i>Spread Your Wings!</i> , School of Käpylä, Helsinki

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	<i>A Dream</i> , Domodossolo, Italy
2011	<i>A New Tomorrow</i> , Hyvinkää City Hall, Finland
2009	<i>Proceed</i> , Hanasaari Cultural Center, Espoo Finland
	<i>Towards Deeper Waters</i> , Mikkeli University, Finland
2006	<i>Children of Light</i> , Savon Voima Oy, Kuopio, Finland
2005	<i>And the Wind Blows Over You</i> , Ylöjärvi City Hall, Finland
	<i>On the Wing</i> , Heinola School, Finland
2004	<i>Towards Sun, Towards Moon</i> , Viikki School, Helsinki
	<i>Song of Songs</i> , Lapinlahti School, Finland
2000	<i>Hope</i> , Espoo Congregation House, Finland
1993	<i>Wall</i> , Kivipankki Museum, Jämsä, Finland
1989–93	<i>Ohne Fahrkarte</i> , Central Library in Rikhardinkatu, Helsinki
1989	<i>The Word as the Sward</i> , University of Joensuu, Finland
1988	<i>Travelled Journey</i> , Hartola Museum, Finland

COLLECTIONS

Aine Art Museum, Finland
Altana Kulturstiftung, Bad Homburg, Germany
Borås Art Museum, Sweden
Centre for Contemporary Art Luigi Pecci, Italy
City of Iisalmi, Finland
City of Pieksämäki, Finland
Collection Swanljung, Finland
EMMA Museum of Modern Art, Finland
Helsinki Art Museum
Jenny and Antti Wihuri Foundation, Finland
Joensuu Art Museum, Finland
Kiasma Museum for Contemporary Art, Helsinki
KUNSTEN, Museum of Modern Art Aalborg, Denmark
Kuopio Art Museum, Finland
Lapinlahti Art Museum, Finland
Malmö Konstmuseum, Sweden
Maramotti Collezione, Reggio Emilia, Italy
MAXXI Museo Nazionale Belle Arti, Rome
Mikkeli Art Museum, Finland
Oulu Art Museum, Finland
Saastamoinen Foundation, Finland
Sara Hilden Museum of Art, Finland
State of Finland
Umedalen Skulpturpark, Umeå, Sweden
Wyoming University Art Museum, USA
Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Finland