

CURRICULUM VITAE

Kim Simonsson

Studies

1995-2000 University of Arts and Design Helsinki, Master of Arts

Private exhibitions

2018 Fantastical Worlds of Kim Simonsson, American Swedish Institute, Minneapolis MN
2017 Shaman Party, Jason Jacques Gallery, New York
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, Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris, France
Chameleon, Gallery Heino, Helsinki, Finland
2011 Ponytail, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA
2010 Parallel Reality, Musee d'Ansembourg, Liege, Belgium
Parallel Reality, Elverket, Tammisaari, Finland
2009 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
Animal Gaze, Galleria Heino, Helsinki, Finland
2008 Invisible World, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA
Variations On A Decoration, Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland
Sculptures, Finnish Cultural Institut, Oslo, Norway
2007 Den osynliga hjorten, Finnish Cultural Institute, Stockholm, Sweden
Dreams And Disappointments II, Herrmann & Wagner Gallery, Berlin, Germany
Sculptures, Taidesalonki Husa, Tampere, Finland (with Panu Puolakka)
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 Hyörylistä, Turku, Finland
1999 Ideaali, Gallery of the Fine Arts Academy, Helsinki, Finland (with Miklos Gaal)

Group exhibitions

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
 Helsinki Fat Clay, Gallery Arabia, Helsinki, Finland
 Skills, The Lofoten Islands, Norway
 Blurred Lines, Fiskars Village, Finland
 Melancholy, Villa Roosa, Orimattila, Finland
- 2013 The Adidas Man and the Strongwoman, Wäinö Aaltonen Museum, Turku, Finland
 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, Tennispalatsi, 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 ja 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
 Close Your Eyes And Tell Me What You See, Gothenburg Museum of Art, Gothenburg, Sweden
- 2010 The Figuratives, Oude Kerk, Delft, Netherlands
 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, USA
 100 Years of Sculpture In Finland, Väinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland
 Vom Dunkeln Geschluckt, Ars Auttoinen, Auttoinen, Finland
 Feuer Und Eis, Keramikmuseum Westerwald, Höhr-Grenzhausen, Germany
 Collect, Galleria Norsu, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2009 Prospection and Perspective, Galerie Favardin & de Verneuil, Paris, France
 Miami Warm Up, Nancy Margolis Gallery, New York, USA
 Visuell förvirring, Museum of Art in Åland, Mariehamn, Finland
- 2008 Confrontational Ceramics, The Arts Exchange, White Plains, USA
 Tulesa Syntyntyt, 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 Gallery 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, 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
 Toronto Outdoor Art Show, Toronto, Canada
 One Hundred Years of Finnish Ceramic, Designmuseum, 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, Lappeenranta, 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 Modern Art Museum, Tampere, Finland
 Glass and Ceramic in Spotlight, Gallery Taik, Helsinki, Finland

Art Fairs

- 2016 Design Miami, Jason Jacques Gallery, Miami, USA
 Art Miami, Galerie Forsblom, Miami, USA
 Art New York, Galerie Forsblom, NYC, USA
 FOG Design + Art, Jason Jacques Gallery, San Francisco, USA
 Art Paris, Galerie NeC, Paris, France
- 2015 Design Miami, Jason Jacques Gallery, Miami, USA
 PAD, Sèvres-Cité de la céramique, London, England
 CHART Art Fair, Galerie Forsblom, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2014 Salon: Art + Design, Jason Jacques Gallery, NYC, USA
 TEFAF, Jason Jacques Gallery, Maastricht, Netherlands
 PAD, Sèvres-Cité de la céramique, Paris, France
- 2012 Art Copenhagen, Galleria Heino, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2010 Kim Simonsson, Galleria Heino, Market Art Fair, Solo booth, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2009 Art Copenhagen, Wonderland Art Space, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2007 Red Dot Art Fair, Nancy Margolis Gallery, Miami Beach, USA
- 2008 The Invisible Deer, Gallery Heino, ARCO08 Solo Projects, Madrid, Spain
- 2005 Stockholm International Art Fair, Gallery Heino, Stockholm, Sweden

Awards and scholarships

- 2014 5-year artist working grant for 2015-2019, Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Design
- 2013 Art Prize, Svenska kulturfonden
- 2009-2012 Artist in residence, Villa Snäckesund, Tammisaari, Finland
- 2012 William Thuring Prize

2009	Pro Arte Award, Didrichsen Art Museum
2008	Walter Runeberg Foundation Award Svenska kulturfonden 2-year artist grant
2006	Walter Runeberg Foundation Award Stina Krook Foundation Award
2005	Frame-fund, exhibition scholarship Svenska kulturfonden, a 2-year artist grant Arts Council of Finland, travel grant
2004	Young artist of the year 2004, Tampere Art Museum, Finland Artist of the month, Frame-fund, July 2004
2003	Best in Show, Toronto Outdoor Art Show Svenska kulturfonden, a 1-year grant
2001	Svenska kulturfonden, project grant Paolo Foundation, project grant
1998	University of Arts and Design Helsinki

Museums and collections

Amos Andersson Art Museum
 Arario Gallery
 Designmuseum, Helsinki
 Didrichsen Art Museum
 Espoo Museum of Modern Art
 Heino collection
 Helsinki City Art Museum
 Kiasma Museum of Contemporary Art
 KONE Foundation
 National Museum of Norway
 Nelimarkka Foundation
 Oulu Art Museum
 Pro Artibus
 Racine Art Museum
 Sara Hilden Art Museum
 Shigaraki Museum of Contemporary Ceramic Art
 Tampere Art Museum
 Victoria And Albert Museum
 Ville de Chateauroux
 Wäinö Aaltonen museum
 Zabłudowicz Collection

Public Sculptures

Tapiola Subway Station, Espoo, Finland
 Kupittaa Park, Turku, Finland
 Kotka Sculpture Park, Kotka, Finland
 Yrkeshögskolan Sydväst, Tammisaari, Finland

Catalogues and selected publications

beautiful.bizarre Magazine, Issue 013, Kim Simonsson. Danai Molocha, 2016.
 Art New York Springs to Life on Pier 94, Bruce Helander, The Huffington Post Blog, 2016.
 9 SEASONS, Arabia Art Department Society / Finland. Elise Simonsson, Lönnberg Print & Promo, 2015.

Kim Simonsson, *Beyond Superheroes*, Claire Gould. The Finnish Cultural Institute in Denmark, 2015.

Mischievous Ceramic Children by Kim Simonsson. *Hi-Fructose*, The New Contemporary Art Magazine, 2014.

Body & Soul, new international ceramics, Kaplan / de Verneuil. 2013, MAD: museum of arts and design.

Finnish Kvazimanga by Kim Simonsson. Pavel Zhavoronkov. 2013, *International Design Magazine Dom y Interier*.

Deviant Art - Finnish sculptor's insolent youths juxtapose traditional expectations of ceramic art... James Davidson, *We Heart*, July 19th 2013.

Arabian 10-vuotisjuhlanäyttely huimaa ja hätkähdyttää, Kaj Kalin, *HS* 28.12.2013.

The Workshop Guide to Ceramics. D. Hooson, A. Quinn. United Kingdom: 2012, Thames & Hudson.

Kim Simonsson: Kuvanveistäjä in: *Arabian 9. kerros – Taideosasto ja sen taiteilijat*. R. Forsström. Kirjapaja, 2012.

Close your eyes and tell me what you see. J. Sjöström, Curator. Pro Artibus Foundaton, Gothenburg Museum of Art. Gothenburg: 2011, Göteborgstryckeriet.

Brilliant: White in Design. L. O'Keeffe. New York: 2011, The Monacelli Press.

Iglu, Kimono & Temppele. Jönsson, L., Kovanen, E., 2011. Helsinki: Pronto Media.

Kim Simonsson, Pro Arte Award. Maria Didrichsen, Riikka Laczak, Tiia Rinne. Didrichsen Art Museum, 2009.

Wonderland, The Strange world Of Kim Simonsson, Riikka Laczak, Issue 10/2009.

Best of New York Art 2008, X Tresaco, Theredoom Publishing.

Simonsson skapar sin egen värld i vitt, Dan Sundell, *Hbl* 29.03.2009.

The Pop Insurrection, Sandra Bavin, *Belio Magazine* 028.

Kim Simonsson, M. Carmen Riu de Martin, *Revistart* no 132.

Outouden estetiikka ja mangan muotokieli, Riitta Monto, 22.8.2008, *Turun Sanomat*.

Ghost World Sculptures Kim Simonsson, Aril 21 2008, *The New York Sun*.

Scenes from domestic life: Victoria&Albert Museum's Collect fair, 26.1, 2008, *The Times*.

Sculpture, Maaliskuu 2008, Kim Simonsson: Alien Innocence, Stephanie Bickel.

Architektur und Wohnen, Oktober-November 2007, Helsinki Die design-metropolen in hohen Norden, Jan van Rossem.

Kunst Magazine Berlin 0709.

Naamioituminen, Tuomas Toivonen, 2006, galleria Heino.

Artnews, February 2006, Top Ten Trends In Contemporary Art, Beautiful Mutants, Kay Larson.

Ceramics Art & Perception, Issue 63 2006, Kim Simonsson – Little Girls, Big Questions, Anne Virtanen.

New York Times, 28th of October 2005, *Art in Review*, Kim Simonsson at Nancy Margolis Gallery, Ken Johnson.

World Contemporary Ceramics, *Trans Ceramic Art*, 3rd Ceramic Biennale of Korea, Catalogue.

Artforum.com, Critics Picks November, "Kim Simonsson at Nancy Margolis Gallery", Lori Waxman.

Ceramics Magazine October/November 2005, "A Waking Nightmare. The World Of Kim Simonsson", Anne Virtanen.

Taidemuseo.fi, 3/2005, "Kauden Taideteos" by Leena Mattelmäki.

The Scandinavian Stylish Design, 2005, "The Arabia Ware in Finland" by Hannele Nyman.

Trans Ceramic-Art, 2005, 3rd Ceramic Biennale Korea, "Post-global Society", catalogue.

Wegway Primary Culture, 2005.

Framework, 2/2004, "Kim Simonsson: Dystopia-Porcelain Dogs as Guardians of a Pathological Fantasy" by Leevi Haapala.

Form Function Finland, 3/2004, "Truth is No Trend, a Close-up View of the Art of Kim Simonsson" by Anne Valkonen.

American Ceramics, 14/3, 2004, 'Finnish Quasi-Manga' by Cynthia Nadelman.

Taide, 3/2004, "Kuvausvalmiita kolmiuloitteisia ideoita" by Jari Arffman.

Suomen Kuvalehti, 20/2004, "Kohtaamiset/henkilöt" by Silja Lanas Cavada.

Ceramic Art in Finland, 2004, "A Contemporary Tradition" by Åsa Hellman.

Tampere Art Museum, 2004, "Kim Simonsson, Young Artist of the Year" by Berndt Arell.

1984-2004 Young Artist of the Year, 2004, "Kim Simonsson" by Tapani Pennanen

Parnasso 2/2004.

Pap elokuu/syyskuu 2004.

Wegway Primary Culture, 02/2003.

11th Biennale of Contemporary Ceramic Art in Chateauroux, 2001, by Jean-Pierre Viot.

University of Art and Design, 2000, "Think" by Paula Hakkarainen and Elina Melgin.

Arttu, 3/2000, "Posliinia uudessa paketissa" by Sami Sykkö.

Geo Saison, 2/2000, "Design in Helsinki" by Bernd Polster.

University of Art and Design in Helsinki, 1998, "11 x 98".