

# CURRICULUM VITAE

## Kristian Venäläinen

### Born:

- Jyväskylä, Finland 23.6.1969

### Studies:

- University Of Lapland / Industrial Design 2002-
- Kuopio Academy of Design / Ceramic Design dpt. 1992-1997
- University of Oulu/ Machine Engineering 1989-1990

### Working Experience:

- Kristian Venäläinen Oy./ CEO 2007-
- Kuopio Academy of Design / Department of Product Design  
Part-time teacher 2009
- Kuopio Academy of Design / Department of Ceramics  
and Glass Design/ Part-time teacher 2008
- Finlandia University, International School of Art & Design/ USA  
Educational Consult 2006-2007
- Finlandia University, International School of Art & Design/ USA  
Interim Dean 2005-2006
- Finlandia University, International School of Art & Design/ USA  
Assistant Dean 2004- 2005
- Kuopio Academy of Design / Head of Department of Ceramics  
and Glass Design 2001- 2004
- Kuopio Academy of Design / Ceramic Design dpt.  
Lecturer 1999- 2001
- Freelance Designer 1999-
- Rosenthal AG, Creative Center, Germany / Designer 1998-1999
- Kuopio Academy of Crafts and Design / Instructor of CAD 1997
- Hackman Designor Oy / Internship 1996

### Competitions:

- 1st Prize in 'Product of '98' competition organized by Union  
of Savo, Finland / Ceramic Loudspeaker Cabinet, 10 000 Fim 1998

### Grants:

- Keski-Suomi Cultural foundation/ Grant for Artistic work 24000 € 2016
- Keski-Suomi Art and Design Committee/ Grant for Artistic work, 6680 € 2015
- Keski\_Suomi Art and Design Committee, Grant for Artistic work, 4800 € 2013
- Finnish Design Committee / For material and marketing costs, 2700 € 2011
- Finnish Design Committee /  
Exhibition with Petteri Huotari and Pekka Vuorisalo, 3000 € 2009
- Savo Art and Design Committee, Grant for Glass design Exhibition, 15 000 Fim 2001
- Finnish Design Committee / Half year Grant for Design Work, 45 600 Fim 2000
- Savo Foundation of High Technology / Grant for Research and  
Development of Ceramic Loudspeaker Cabinet, 8 000 Fim 1996

### Solo Exhibitions:

- One kind of Evolution, Aseman taidelaituri, Punkaharju (Invitation) 2018
- Wandering elsewhere, Höyrygalleria, Korpilahti 2016
- Dream 24/7, Gobis outdoor Expo, Vilnius, Lithuania (Invitation) 2016
- Earth – Artcenter Järvinlinna, Vihtavuori 2014
- Mind & Materia – Design and Sculptures, Gallery 5, Oulu 2013
- Mindcubes, Artcenter Järvinlinna, Vihtavuori 2012
- Hot Stuff, Finnish Craftmuseum 2008
- Jaska, Pekka & Timo - Vertin Gallery, Calumet, MI, USA 2006
- Design Forum Finland/ LOLA - Glass 2001

### Group Exhibitions: (J Juried)

- Summer exhibition of Aseman taidelaituri, Punkaharju (Invitation) 2018
- Summer in Gumbostrand, Konst & Form, Sipoo, (Invitation) 2017
- Many Faces of Art, Summer exhibition of Artcenter Järvinlinna 2017
- Jyväskylän art society's 71<sup>st</sup> annual exhibition J 2016
- Yhteys2, Summer exhibition of Artcenter Järvinlinna 2016
- Siirtymiä –Transitions, with Graphic Artist Ulla Aatinen, Artcenter Järvinlinna 2015
- Exhibition of Järvinlinna Artists, Gallery Dada, Tampere 2015
- Samat naamat taas, Jyväskylän art society's 68<sup>th</sup> Annual exhibition. Museum of Central Finland J 2014
- Exhibition of Järvinlinna artists, Wanha Woimala, Jyväskylä 2014
- Muodonmuutos – Summer exhibition in Art Center Hovinkartano, Hauho J 2014
- Kytköksiä – Summer exhibition in Artcenter Järvinlinna 2014
- Exhibition of artcenter Järvinlinna artists at Forum gallery, Jyväskylä 2013
- Sculptures at Wivi Lönn's garden, Jyväskylä 2013
- Summer street, Jyväskylän art society's 68<sup>th</sup> Summer exhibition, Jyväskylä Art Museum J 2013
- Kokoelmasta: Finnish and Finnish American Art from the Finlandia University Collection, Hancock MI, USA 2013
- Argillainen Ceramic festival, Participants exhibition, Faenza, Italy 2012
- Ornamo Annual artworks exhibitions, Cable factory, Helsinki 2012-2018
- Muoto koossa, Finnish Craftmuseum J 2012
- Preesens – Ornamo 100 years celebration exhibition Finnish Craftmuseum J 2011
- In the Middle of Craft, Art and Design, Finnish craft, art and design in Soul, Korea J 2010
- Uniques – With Petteri Huotari and Pekka Vuorisalo Gallery Norsu, Helsinki 2009
- Middle Finland Designs 2008, Finnish Craftmuseum J 2008
- Finnish Designers exhibition, Tampere design fair 2005
- Design partners, Helsinki Design Week 2005
- Alumni/ Kuopio Academy of Design Ambiente Fair – Las Vegas, USA 2005
- Alumni/ Kuopio Academy of Design Ambiente Fair – Frankfurt, Germany 2005
- Faculty Show of ISAD, Finnish Heritage Center Hancock, MI, USA 2004-2006
- Findesignow 02/ Design Forum Finland J 2002
- Several group exhibitions in Finland and Europe 1992-2001

## **Product Design**

Kristian Venäläinen Oy, Various products	2007-
Lola – glass collection	2000
Bathroom collection Vanitas Giardino for Rosenthal Versace	1999
Table Service “Easy Living” for Rosenthal Thomas	1999
Gift articles for Rosenthal Bulgari	1997

## **Memberships**

Ornamo ry/ O-artists  
Materia ry  
Järvilinnan taiteilijat ry