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## CV

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### Art Education

2016-2015 Master of Fine Arts, Saimaa University of Applied Sciences, Imatra, Finland

2010-2007 Bachelor of Fine Arts (Sculpture), Saimaa University of Applied Sciences, Imatra, Finland

### Selected solo show

2023 "Changing World", Galleria AARNI, Espoo

2023 "Faabeli", Galleri Emilie, Loviisa, Finland

2022 "Smiling Animals", Galleria Duetto, Helsinki, Finland

2022 "Herra Otso", Galleria Ars Libera, Kuopio, Finland

2021 "Spring Forest", Galleria Uusi Kipinä, Lahti, Finland

2020 "Animal Friends", Täky Galleria, Lappeenranta, Finland

2019 "CUTE", Galerie Pleiku, Berlin, Germany

2018 "Innocent", Galleria Becker, Jyväskylä, Finland

2017 "Animals", Auran Galleria, Turku, Finland

2016 "CUTE", Galleria AARNI, Espoo, Finland

2016 "SÖPÖ", Annantalo, Helsinki, Finland

2015 "Carving in Pink Dots", MUU Kaapeli gallery, Helsinki

2014 "SÖPÖ", Galleria JANGVA, Helsinki, Finland

2014 "SÖPÖ", Galleria Uusi Kipinä, Lahti, Finland

2013 "SÖPÖ", Galleria Nikolai, Kotka, Finland

2012 "Panda Traveling", NAPA gallery, Helsinki, Finland

### Selected Group show

2022 "Residency artists exhibition", Serlachius residency (Serlachius Museum of Fine Arts), Mänttä, Finland

2022 "Huumorin kukka", curated by Kirsi Tervo, Neliö-galleria, Oulu, Finland

2021 "Form i Mariehamn" juried by Finnish, Swedish and Åland's sculpture association, Mariehamn, Åland, Finland

2021-20 "CUTE, Island of happiness?", juried by Birgit Richard, NRW-Forum Düsseldorf, Düsseldorf, Germany

2020 "OBJEKTI 6.0", curated by Andy Best, Espoo shopping centre, Espoo, Finland

2020 "Naivistit Iittala 2020", curated by Hannu Castren, Iittala, Finland

2019 "Söpöysvaroitus", Maila Talvio salonki summer exhibition, Hartola, Finland

2019-18 "Scandinavia, Hokuriku & Kogei", Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Traditional Arts & Crafts, Kanazawa, Japan

2018 "Art Ring 2018", juried by Helsinki artist association, Kanneltalo gallery, Helsinki, Finland

2017 "Mänttä Art Festival", Pekilo, Mänttä, Finland

2017 "SÖPÖ Fazer", Fazer Café Kuluuvinkatu, juried by Helsinki artist association for Art Goes Kapakka, Helsinki

2016 "Masters of Saimaa '16", (Master degree graduation exhibition), Puristamo, Cable factory, Helsinki, Finland

2016 "Summer Fair", Auran Galleria, Turku, Finland

2016 "Inspiration", juried by Katja Hagelstam (LOKAL Helsinki gallery), Finnish Institute Paris, France

2016 "Finland Modern & Crafts", Gallery Books and Modern, Tokyo, & Kirsikka, Matsumoto, Japan

2014 "LOKAL SATO", Gumbostrand Konst & Form, Sipoo, Finland and LOKAL Helsinki gallery, Finland

2014 "Pink" / 2013 "Hei Nippon!" / 2012 "PIKKU LOKAL", LOKAL Helsinki gallery, Finland

2014-13 "UUSI MUU", juried by artist association MUU, MUU kaapeli gallery, Cable Factory, Helsinki, Finland

2012 "UUSI PUU", Galleria Hoi Sie, Lappeenranta, Finland

2010 "Loppu-Alku", Bachelor degree graduation exhibition, Imatra Art Museum, Finland

2005 "3 new artists exhibition", Studio Works gallery, Christ Church, New Zealand

### Art Fair

2022-2021, 2019-2017, 2015 "Ornament Teosmyynti" Finnish designer's association's annual art fair, Cable Factory, Helsinki,

2021, 2020, 2017, 2016, 2015 "TEOS", Finnish sculptors association's art fair, Puristamo, Cable Factory, Helsinki, Finland

2019, 2015, 2013 "Art Fair Suomi", Puristamo, Cable Factory, Helsinki, Finland

2018 "Nordic fair", Hankyu Umeda department, Osaka, Japan

2014 "Danya international Art Fair", Gimje, Korea

2014 "Supermarket Art Fair 2014" juried by MUU gallery, Culture House, Stockholm, Sweden

### Membership

2016- Finnish copyright society Kuvasto, Finland

2014- Association of Finnish Sculptors, Finland

2015- Finnish designer's association Ornamo, Finland

2013- Artists' association MUU, Finland

2015- Helsinki artists association, Finland

### Artist Residence

2023, 2018 Art center Antares, Kouvola, Finland

2022 Artist residency of Kuopio academy of design, Kuopio

2022 Artist residency of Finnish institute Athens, Greece

2017 Mänttä Art Festival, Mänttä, Finland

2022 Serlachius residency, Mänttä, Finland

2013 Artist residency SERDE, Aizpute, Latvia

2011 Sf.Gheorghe city 550 years anniversary international sculpture symposium, Romania

2009 Majala Artist Residence, Salo Art Museum, Finland

2008 Kemijärvi Artist Residence, Kemijärvi, Finland

## Grant

- 2023 Finnish Cultural Foundation Kymenlaakso (Project grant for art project)
- 2022, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014 Art Promotion Center, Finland (Project grant for exhibition)
- 2022, 2021, 2020 Art Promotion Center, Finland (Working grant for corona period)
- 2020 Art Promotion Center, Finland (Project grant for glass art)
- 2019, 2016, 2015 Art Promotion Center, Uusimaa, Finland (Project grant for children's culture)
- 2018 Helsinki artist association, Finland (Project grant for Art ring 2018)
- 2017 Finnish Cultural Foundation (Working grant for art activity)
- 2015 Helsinki city art grant, Finland (Working grant for art activity)
- 2013 Artist residency SERDE, Aizpute, Latvia (Working grant in artist residency)

## Public art & Public collections

- 2023 Katariina daycare center, Kotka, Finland (Kotka city / Kymen museum's art collection)
- 2022 Lippulaiva library, Espoo, Finland (Espoo Museum of Modern Art's public collection)
- 2022 Kupoio University hospital, Kuopio, Finland
- 2021 Lahti Rudolf Steiner school, Lahti, Finland
- 2019 Valteri school, Skilla, Helsinki, Finland
- 2018 Malminkartano Youth Center, Helsinki, Finland
- 2018 Turku University hospital, Turku, Finland
- 2017 Maternity Clinic, Mänttä-Vilppula, Finland
- 2016 Sello library, Espoo, Finland
- 2015 Finnish state art collection, Finland
- 2015 Helsinki Rudolf Steiner school, Helsinki, Finland
- 2013 Riverside park, Aizpute city, Latvia
- 2012 Children's hospital Lastenlinna, Helsinki, Finland → 2018 Rikhardinkatu library, Helsinki, Finland
- 2011 Sf.Gheorghe city, Transylvania, Romania
- 2008 Kemijärvi Artist Residence, Kemijärvi, Finland

## Publication & Media <https://www.yasushikoyama.com/publication>

- 2023 Yle Kymenlaakso, "Japanilainen taiteilija teki 150-kiloisen leijonan kotkalaisen päiväkodin lapsille" Mari Sltanen 25.10.2023
- 2023 Kymen Sanomat, "Katariinan päiväkodin lapset saavat seurakseen leijonaveistoksen, jonka päällä saa istua ja kiipeillä" Johanna Vehkaluoto
- 2023 Helsingin Uutiset, "Japanilaistaustaisen taiteilijan teokset ovat niin söpöjä", Anneli Tuominen-Halomo, 7.8.2023
- 2023 Länsiväylä, Yasushi Koyaman leikkisät eläinhahmot luovat iloa ympärilleen", Anneli Tuominen-Halomo, 6.8.2023
- 2022 Savon Sanomat, "Tartalla veistetty mutta silti kaikkea muuta kuin karski karhu", Iikka Taavitsainen 27.5.2022
- 2022 KMV-lehti, "Karhut kiehtovat taiteilijaa" Outi M. Kättö 15.3.2022
- 2021 ESS, "Hellyttävistä eläinveistoksista tunnettu Yasushi Koyama uskoo söpöyden voimaa" Millamari Uotila 28.4.2021
- 2020 Taito lehti 6 / 2020, "Näyttelyt : 4.1.2021 asti Yasushi Koyama : Animal Friends", Merja Rätty, December 2020
- 2020 Hämeen Sanomat, "Naivistitaiteen ystävät innostuivat yksityiskäynneistä", Riikka Happonen 22.5.2020
- 2020 German travel magazine "Merian" - Finland 3/2020 as a Japanese artist in Finland, Burkhard Zimmermann
- 2019 Kotivinkki, "Kukkien juhlaa" Elsa Savaloja 19.6.2019
- 2018 Japanese magazine Lifte "Yasushi Koyama : As a Japanese artist in Finland", Yuki Kawahara, 29.5.2018
- 2018 Keskiuomalainen, "Söpöys herättää hoivavietin", Raisa Jäntti, 6.2.2018
- 2018 Keskiuomalainen, "Söpöily sallittu", Sari Toivakka 30.1.2018
- 2017 KMV-lehti, "Pingviini-veistos neuvolaan", Mira Metsälä, 7.9.2017
- 2017 Aamu Lehti, "Mäntän taide on nyt tätä", Sirkka Iso-Ettala, 7.6.2017
- 2016 Suomen Kuvalehti, "Kohtaamiset", Lauri Lehtinen, 2.12.2016
- 2016 Länsiväylä, Länsiväylä, "Halittava panda ja muuta söpöä", Anneli Tuominen-Halomo, 7.12.2016
- 2016 Helsingin Sanomat, TÄNÄÄN, "Söpöyden asiantuntija Japanista", Venla Rossi, 3.5.2016
- 2016 Helsingin Sanomat, HS NYT, "Iih, miten söpöä!", Venla Rossi, 8.4.2016
- 2014 Helsingin Sanomat NYT liite "Now3 exhibitions", HS:n cultural editor Aino Frilander, 7.11.2014
- 2014 Hufvudstads Bladet (HBL) "Oemotståndligt gulligt", , 1.11.2014, Finland
- 2014 Glorian Koti "Kohmeessta kevääseen" Anna-kaisa Melvas, March P13, Finland

## Presentation & workshop

- 2023 Presentation "Meet the artist - My art & the process", Children's culture center Kruunupää, Pori, Finland 17.5.2023
- 2022 Workshop "Animal wood sculpture", Kuopio design academy, Kuopio, Finland, 20-22.5.2022
- 2018 Presentation "Nature in Japanese art and visual culture", Kerava Art Museum, Kerava, Finland, 10.3.2018

## Other education

- 2016-13 Ceramic sculpturing from Tomi Pelkonen in ceramic studio in Aalto university, Helsinki, Finland
- 2006 Multicolored printmaking from a printmaker Tuula Moilanen, Kyoto, Japan
- 2005 Wood carving from a Maori carver Eruera Ropiha, Christchurch art centre, New Zealand
- 1999-95 Bachelor of Laws, Chuo University, Tokyo, Japan