

Tilla Kekki (Mrs)

A Finnish sculptor, born 1940, was trained in the University of Arts and Design and Art Metal Institute. She has participated in numerous group exhibitions in Finland and abroad and does private exhibitions and commission work in Finland Her work celebrates strengths, weaknesses and spirituality of human nature, especially of the feminine gender. The time span of her references extends from ancient myths to the contemporary. In her work she aims to express the beauty and the humour found in human fragility. The main material of her sculptures is copper plate, which she processes by welding, engraving and melting. In her view, copper as an ancient metal developing patina over time, adds its own energy to the work. She also uses bronze and other metals.

Public works

“Procession of times”, copper 2005, Church center, Espoo, outdoor sculpture

Private exhibitions

1992	Galleri Vincent, Copenhagen
1996	Gallery Pirkkoliisa Topelius, Helsinki
1997	Gallery Ariel, Tampere
1998	Gallery New Page, Helsinki
2000	Gallery Bau, Helsinki
2011	Gallery Uusitalo, Helsinki

Joint exhibitions

1995	Gallery Oljemark, Helsinki, with Maarit Mäkelä
1995	Gallery Altos de Chavon, Dominican Republic, with Carlos Aguilera

Group exhibitions, abroad

1991	Gallery Vincent, Copenhagen
1999	“23 sculptors”, Helsinki
1999	“Aquarium”, Tallinn
2005	“Motivazione”, Ventimiglia

Group exhibitions – Finland

1991	Gallery Oljemark, Helsinki
1993	Suvi -Pinx, Sysmä
1994	Kiskon Kivimakasiini, Kisko
1999	Cable Factory Artists, Helsinki
2000	“Osmosis”, Helsinki
2001	“Metals”, Fiskars
2003	Private exhibition, Gallery Karaija, Inkoo
2006	Suvi-Pinx, Sysmä
2008	“Our Africa”, Huittinen
2009	Billnäs Art Shop, Billnäs
2009	Staffas gallery, Porvoo
2011	Billnäs Art shop, Billnäs
2012	Koskenmaan kartano, Hyvinkää
2012	Gallery Fogga, Helsinki
2013	Gallery Karaija, Inkoo
2013	Pyhäniemi Manor, Hollola

Works in collections

Government of Finland
S-Retail chain
M-Real, Espoo, Amsterdam
Municipality of Kisko
Rautakirja
Handelsbanken
Outokumpu
Wihuri

Memberships

Association of Finnish Sculptors
Järvenpää Art Society
Sculpture Network

Other activities

Teaching: Courses in ceramic sculpture 1995-2012 in Finland and Spain. Teacher of sculpture in Parsons School of Art and Design, Dominican Republic 1995,

Residences abroad: Dominican Republic 1995, Marbella 1997, Athens 2001, Benin 2007