

# Pekka Jylhä

Born in 1955, Toholampi, Finland  
Lives and works in Espoo, Finland

## Studies

1987-88 Royal Arts Academy, Stockholm  
1984-87 The Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki  
1980-85 The University of Art and Design, Helsinki

## Solo Exhibitions

2016 *We Have Inherited Hope – the Gift of Forgetting*, Helsinki Contemporary, Finland  
2013 *The Walls have Ears and the Ears have beautiful Earrings*, Helsinki Contemporary, Finland  
2011 *What it is busy*, Helsinki City Art Museum, Kamppi Metro Station, Helsinki, Finland  
2010 *Kulutuksen käärme (The Snake of Consumption)*, 20th Anniversary artwork for the Finnish Reuse Centre, Sanomatalo, Helsinki, Finland  
2009 Galeria Vanessa Quang, Paris, France  
Basel Art Fair, Galerie Vanessa Quang, Switzerland  
2008 Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France  
2007 Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland  
Helsinki City Art Museum, Meilahti, Helsinki, Finland  
South Karelia Art Museum, Lappeenranta, Finland  
2005 Institut Finlandais, Paris, France  
Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland  
2003 Galleria Sculptor, Helsinki, Finland  
2001 Forum Box, Helsinki, Finland  
1997 Galleri 21, Malmö, Sweden  
Galleria Artina, Helsinki, Finland  
Galleri G.U.N., Oslo, Norway  
1996 450 Broadway Gallery, New York, USA  
1995 Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki, Finland  
1992 Galerie Anhava, Helsinki, Finland  
1991 Pinacotheca, Jyväskylä, Finland  
1989 Kluuvi gallery, Helsinki, Finland  
1988 Gallery Okra, Vantaa, Finland  
1987 Justus Galleria, Kannus, Finland  
1986 *Sudenpesässä*, Kluuvi gallery, Helsinki

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## Group Exhibitions (Selected)

- 2017 *100-year Independency Anniversary exhibition*, Kouvola Art Museum, Kouvola, Finland  
*Extension.fi*, National Centre for Contemporary Art, Novgorod, Russia  
*Extension.fi*, Triumph Gallery, Moscow, Russia
- 2016 *Tom of Finland. The Pleasure of Play*, Helsinki Kunsthalle, Helsinki, Finland  
Finlayson Art Area, Tampere, Finland
- 2015 *Sirkus Pinnala*, Rauma Art Museum, Finland
- 2014 *Le vol en Provenance D'Helsinki*, Montbeliard, France  
The Finnish Nature Centre Haltia, Espoo, Finland
- 2013 Mänttä Art Summer, Finland  
Pyhäniemi Art Summer, Hollola, Finland  
FIAC, Paris, Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France
- 2012 Retretti, Punkaharju, Finland
- 2011 Gallery Kalhama & Piippo, Savonlinna Contemporary, Finland  
Pyhäniemi Summer Exhibition, Hollola, Finland  
*Etape 2*, Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France
- 2010 *Find Me a Gift*, Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France  
FIAC, Paris, Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France  
*Close to Nature*, Neues Kunstverein Aschaffenburg, Germany  
*Arctic Hysteria*, Salamanca Art Museum, Spain  
*EcO Art Exhibition*, Shanghai, China  
*Arctic Hysteria*, Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art, Vaasa, Finland  
*Arctic Hysteria*, Helsinki Kunsthalle, Finland
- 2009 Gallerie Rosa Turetsky, Geneva, Switzerland  
*Arctic Hysteria*, Ludwig Museum, Budapest, Hungary  
*Crossover*, HoviArt 09, Mikkeli, Finland
- 2008 Källskär, Aland Art Museum, Mariehamn, Finland  
Galerie Vanessa Quang, Paris, France  
FIAC, Paris, France  
*Arctic hysteria – New Art from Finland*, PS1, MoMa, New York, USA  
Bucoliques Abbaye du Valasse, Gruchet-le-Valasse, France  
Continuum, Retretti Art Center, Punkaharju, Finland
- 2007 *A Certain Finland*, Galeria Sztuki Współczesnej BWA, Katowice, Poland  
*Age of the Animal*, Ateneum Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland
- 2006 Arte Fiera Bologna, Italy  
Arco Madrid, Spain  
Art Paris, France  
Art Brussels, Belgium
- 2005 Art Cologne, Germany  
Art Brussels, Belgium
- 2004 *Love Me or Leave Me*, Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma, Helsinki, Finland  
*The Garden of Eden*, Helsinki City Art Museum, Finland  
1st Beijing International Art Biennial, China

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- 2003 *Unique*, Fiskars, Finland
- 2002 *Contemporary Finnish Art*, Klosterstrasse, Berlin, Germany  
ROAM, Wales, UK
- 2001 *Hockey Skates' Flowers*, works from Wihuri Collection, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Finland  
*It Works*, Aboa Vetus Ars Nova Art Museum, Turku, Finland  
Studio X, Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma, Helsinki, Finland
- 2000 *Eleventh Moment*, Sinebrychoff Museum for Foreign Art, Helsinki, Finland  
*101 Artists*, VR Warehouse, Helsinki, Finland  
*Transitions*, 90th anniversary exhibition of the Association of Finnish Sculptors: Malmö Art Museum, Sweden; Kunsthalle Rostock, Germany
- 1999 *Sky as Roof*, city art happening, Tampere, Finland  
*Butterfly's Dream*, Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku
- 1998 Stockholm Art Fair, Sweden  
*Stund och Känsla*, Galleri Konstepidemin, Gothenburg, Sweden
- 1997 Mänttä Art Summer  
*Path*, Gallery Otso, Espoo  
*Echo, contemporary Finnish art*, Tallinn Art Hall, Estonia  
Stockholm Art Fair, Sweden
- 1996 *Comp i box*, Galerie Anhava, Helsinki, Finland  
*Versus II*, Associazione Velan, Turin, Italy  
*Moderniá Progetto 2000*, Palazzo Bricherasio Foundation, Turin, Italy
- 1995 *SCULPTOR 95*, Association of Finnish Sculptors, Helsinki, Finland
- 1994 *Europe*, Tampere Museum of Contemporary Art, Finland  
*Baltic Art*, Sweden
- 1993 *Spirit of the Earth*, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Finland  
*Choices, works from the Wihuri Collection*, Sara Hildén Art Museum, Tampere, Finland  
*Wings*, Museum of Contemporary Art, Helsinki, Finland  
*Nordic Sculpture Exhibition*, Eidfjord, Norway
- 1992 *Twelve Spaces*, Kerava Art Museum, Finland
- 1991 *Boats Out*, Gallery Titanik, Turku, Finland  
*Nordisk kunst*, Århus, Denmark
- 1990 *ArtExpo*, Exhibition of Helsinki Artists' Association, Forssa, Finland  
*Le Genié de la Bastille*, Paris, France  
*SCULPTOR 90*, Association of Finnish Sculptors, Helsinki and Tornio, Finland
- 1989 Oulu Sculpture Street, Finland  
*Finske Skulptur*, Galerie Aix, Stockholm, Sweden
- 1988 Ars Voipaala, Finland  
K.H. Renlund Museum, Kokkola, Finland
- 1987 Finnish Artists' Association Annual Exhibition, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Finland  
Arabia Gallery, Helsinki, Finland  
Kalmar Art Exhibition, Sweden
- 1986 *Young Artists' Exhibition*, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Finland
- 1985 K.H. Renlund Museum, Kokkola, Finland

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## Public Works

- 2014 *The Gardeners Heaven*, Äijälänranta, Jyväskylä, Finland  
2013 *Light is a Gift from Heaven*, Haapavesi Church, Finland  
2012 *My Way*, Lempäälä, Finland  
Grave memorial for Harri Holkeri, Hietaniemi Cemetery, Helsinki, Finland  
2011 *Meri ja veden muisti (Sea)*, Patteriniemi, Vaasa, Finland  
2010 *Broken wings*, Kaitaa School, Espoo, Finland  
*The World*, Anttolanhovi, Mikkeli, Finland  
*Expectation*, Kaivopuisto, Helsinki, Finland  
*The Soul and Mourning*, Helsinge Parish Chappel, Vantaa, Finland  
2009 Grave memorial for Lasse Pihlajamaa, Hietaniemi Cemetery, Helsinki, Finland  
2008 *Tree of Life*, Oulu, Finland  
2007 *Light*, grave memorial for Jaakko Pöyry, Helsinki, Finland  
*Joy*, Salo, Finland  
*Miracle*, Pirkanmaa Hospital, Tampere, Finland  
2006 *J.V. Snellman*, Kokkola, Finland  
*Crystal-chandelier - Window to the Sky*, Parliament House Annex, Helsinki, Finland  
*Flowing Wall*, Helsinki, Finland  
2004 *On the Way to Happiness*, Consulate General of Finland in St Petersburg, Russia  
2002 *Encounter*, environmental sculpture, Viitasaari, Finland  
*Wind Machine*, Vantaa, Finland  
*Vita Nuova*, Helsinki, Finland  
Door handles, Finnish National Theatre, Helsinki, Finland  
2000 *Spring*, President Kekkonen's Memorial, Helsinki, Finland  
*Ice Road*, environmental sculpture, Vaasa, Finland  
*Revelation*, environmental sculpture, Landscape Gallery, Siilinjärvi, Finland  
1999 *I am east, I am west*, Tali, Helsinki, Finland  
1996 *Second Journey & Northwards*, Tikkurila railway station, Vantaa, Finland  
*The Difference Between the Days*, Martinlaakso, Vantaa, Finland  
1994 *Road*, environmental sculpture, Kokkola, Finland  
1992 *Encounter*, Vuosaari, Helsinki, Finland

## Works in Collections

Finnish State Art Collection  
Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma, Helsinki, Finland  
Helsinki City Art Museum, Finland  
K.H. Renlund Museum, Kokkola, Finland  
Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland  
Rovaniemi Art Museum, Finland  
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City of Kokkola, Finland  
City of Tampere, Finland  
City of Vaasa, Finland  
City of Siilinjärvi, Finland  
Saastamoinen Foundation Art Collection  
Wihuri Foundation  
Turku Academy Art Collection, Finland  
Swanlung Collection  
Heino Collection  
Kemppi Collection  
Sonera  
CapMan  
Eidfjord Municipality, Norway  
Associazione Velan, Turin, Italy  
Fondazione Palazzo Bricherasio, Turin, Italy

## Prizes

2014 Environmental Art Competition, City of Turku, Finland, 1st prize  
2013 Environmental Art Competition, City of Jyväskylä, Finland, 2st prize and commission  
2011 European Copper in Architecture Award, Chapel of St Lawrence, Vantaa, Finland  
Illumination Object of the Year, Chapel of St Lawrence, Vantaa, Finland  
Grafia's Vuoden Huiput - The best of Finnish Advertising and Design, 2nd Prize in the Media Series with *Kulutuksen käärme (The Snake of Consumption)*  
2010 City of Vantaa quality prize for combining art and architecture, Helsinge Parish New Chapel  
City of Vaasa Environmental Art competition, *Pikipruukki*, 1st prize  
2008 Art Competition for Helsinge parish new chapel, 2nd place and commission  
2005 Art competition for the Parliament House Annex, 1st prize  
2000 Art competition for environmental sculpture, Landscape Gallery, Finnish Road Administration  
1999 Art competition for Turku Old Academy, 2nd place  
Sky as Roof, competition for city art, City of Tampere  
1998 Art competition for Espoo congregational center, 3rd prize  
1997 Art competition for the Vuosaari Metro Station, Helsinki City Art Museum, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize  
Art competition for Urho Kekkonen's Memorial, 1st prize  
1990 Martinlaakso sculpture competition, 1st place

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## Awards

2012	Artist Professor
2007	Pro Finlandia Medal

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