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KATI TUOMINEN-NIITTYLÄ (Finnish, b. 1947) Untitled 17, 2019 stoneware 16.25" H x 15.5" W x 19.25" D

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Kati Tuominen-Niittylä is an internationally renowned ceramic artist living and working in Finland, who has designed for Arabia Studios since the 1980s and is a member of the Arabia Art Department Society.

Her minimalistic works blend multiple techniques, including throwing, casting, and hand-building, and textural, carved surfaces are prevalent in her practice. Evoking archetypal forms as well as shapes found in nature, her palette remains organic. Many pieces feature flat bases and subtle handles, referencing traditional functional vessels and her interest in ceramic history.

Tuominen-Niittylä graduated from the University of Art and Design in Helsinki in 1976. She has exhibited widely throughout Finland and Europe as well as within America, Japan, and Korea. She has received prestigious awards, including the Grand Prix in 1998 and the gold medal in 2002 in Mino, as well as the Kaj Franck prize, among others.

Her work is in many public collections, including the Victoria & Albert Museum in London, the Finnish State Collections, and the Shigaraki Cultural Park Museum in Japan.

Tuominen-Niittylä has practiced Kyudo, the Japanese art of archery, for more than thirty years and it has influenced her minimalist aesthetic.



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EDUCATION

1976 University of Art and Design, Helsinki

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2011 Gallery Inger Molin, Stockholm, Sweden Kuvia Immagini, Officine Saffi, Milan, Italy
- 2008 Kaj Franck-prize exhibition, Gallery Modus, Tampere, Finland
- 2007 Kaj Franck-prize exhibition, Design Forum, Helsinki, Finland
- 2003 Shadows, Alvar Aalto Museum Gallery, Jyväskylä, Finland Gallery Inger Molin, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2001 Angle of Vision II, Arabia Museum Gallery, Helsinki, Finland

SELECTED GROUP SHOWS

- 2019 Design Miami / Basel, Hostler Burrows, Basel, Switzerland FOG Design + Art, Hostler Burrows, San Francisco, CA A Thing of Beauty, Officine Saffi, Milan, Italy
- 2018 Design Miami, Hostler Burrows, Miami, FL
- 2016 CHART | Art Fair, Gallery Lemmetti, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2015 Collect, International Art Fair, Officine Saffi Gallery, London, United Kingdom *Contemporary Ceramics*, Officine Saffi, Milan, Italy
- 2014 SOFA CHICAGO, Art Fair, Officine Saffi Gallery, Chicago, USA Collect, International Art Fair, Officine Saffi Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2013 SOFA CHICAGO, Art Fair, Officine Saffi Gallery, Chicago, USA Pyhaniemi summer exhibition, Lahti, Finland Cheongju International Craft Biennale, Korea
- 2012 Arabia's 9th floor, Gallery Arabia, Helsinki, Finland MIC, Helsinki Fat Clay, Faenza, Italy *Helsinki Fat Clay*, Gallerie Officine Saffi, Milan, Italy Flow Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2011 Gallery Angelo, Pori, Finland Helsinki Art Fair, Helsinki, Finland
- 2010 Galerie Marianne Heller, Heidelberg, Germany Keramikmuseum Westerwald, Höhr-Grenzhausen, Germany
- 2009 Signals, Gallery Flow, London, United Kingdom Gallery Besson, London, United Kingdom Danske Keramisk Museum, Mitterfart, Denmark
- 2008 Collect Art Fair, Flow Gallery, London, United Kingdom Gallery Oljemark, Helsinki, Finland Art Fair, Wanha Satama, Helsinki, Finland



- 2007 Gallery Goed Werk, Zulte, Belgium The Intern. Art + Design Fair, New York, USA 2006 Collect Art Fair, Flow Gallery, London, United Kingdom Septaria Gallery, Helsinki, Finland The Intern. Art + Design Fair, New York, USA Fiskars, Finland Forum Box, Helsinki, Finland 2005 Scandinavian Stylish Design: Arabia Ware in Finland, The Shigaraki Ceramic Cultural Park, Shigaraki, Japan 2004 A Touch of Finland, Flow-Gallery, London & Antrim, Northern Ireland Ceramics 2004, European Ceramics, Fiskars, Finland Syvällä Savessa, Finnish Handicraft Museum, Jyväskylä, Finland Gallery Philippe Denys, Brussels, Belgium 2003 Retro, Fiskars, Finland 2002 Kosketuskohta, Gallery Laterna Magica, Helsinki, Finland 2000 Arabia artists in Retretti, Retretti Art Center, Punkaharju, Finland Keramik, Höganäs Museum, Sweden Finnish Glass Lives 4, Glass Museum of Finland, Riihimäki, Finland Gallery Norby, Copenhagen, Denmark Viewpoints II, Arabia Gallery, Helsinki, Finland
 - Galleri Norby, Copenhagen, Denmark
 - 10 from Finland, Gallery Mokkumto, Seoul, Korea

SELECTED AWARDS

- 2007 Kaj Franck Design Prize
- 2002 Gold Medal, Mino, Japan
- 1998 Grand Prix, Mino, Japan Honorary Mention, Mino, Japan

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

- Arabia Museum, Helsinki Art Museum, Helsinki Finnish State Collections Handelsbanken, Sweden Hetjens Museum, Dusseldorf Höganäs Museum, Höganäs, Sweden The Israel Museum, Jerusalem Minneapolis Institute of Art, Minneapolis, MN Mino's New Ceramics Museum, Tajimi, Gifu, Japan Nationalmuseum, Stockholm Pohjola Companies, Helsinki Röhsska Museet, Gothenburg, Sweden



Seoul Design Museum, Seoul Shigaraki Cultural Park Museum, Japan Statens Konstråd, Sweden Ulster Museum, Belfast, United Kingdom Victoria & Albert Museum, London Wihuri Foundation Collections