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KATI TUOMINEN-NIITTYLÄ (Finnish, b. 1947) *Untitled 31*, 2020 stoneware 10" H x 13.75" Dia

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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