

Curriculum Vitae

Akiko Kuwahata, b. 1976, Japan

Ken Winther, b. 1973, Denmark

EDUCATION

Akiko Kuwahata

1995 - 1999 Bachelor fra College of Art Nihon University in Japan, graduated with a degree in Living Space Design
1999 - 2003 Employee as cabinetmaker at Hinoki Kogei Ltd in Japan
2004 - 2005 Student of furniture and interior design at Aarhus school of Architecture in Denmark
Trainee at Hans Thyge Raunkjær design studio
2009 Trainee at Cecilie Manz design studio
2010 Established own design and making. - (today named Akiko Ken Made)
2014 Starting collaboration with Galerie Maria Wettergren in Paris
2013 - 2020 Employee as cabinetmaker at PP Møbler

Ken Winther

1991 - 1995 Apprentice as cabinetmaker at PP Møbler
1998 - 2021 Employee as cabinetmaker at PP Møbler
2010 Established own design and making. - (today named Akiko Ken Made)
Work at Hinoki Kogei Ltd in Japan and study Japanese woodworking.

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

2023 In Praise of Shadows, Galerie Maria Wettergren, Paris, France
2022 Fabrik - SE-Design Exhibition, Fabrikken for Kunst & Design, Copenhagen, Denmark
Design Miami/Basel - Galerie Maria Wettergren, Basel, Switzerland
Design Without Borders - Exhibition, Budapest, Hungary.
2021 Tid, Takt & Tone - SE-Design Exhibition, Sophienholm Kunsthø, Kongens Lyngby, Denmark
Baptism tree - Decoration in Odense Cathedral, Odense, Denmark
2020 Illusions - SE-Design Exhibition, Tivoli Garden, Copenhagen, Denmark
Poesitræ - Exhibition at Dina Vejling/Galleri +RUMMET, Odense, Denmark
2019 Irresistibly Sensibly Wood - Solo Exhibition at Grønbechs Gård, Bornholm, Denmark
Project chair - Workshop by Grasslands, Spøttrup, Denmark
Re-Think - SE-Design Exhibition, Copenhagen, Denmark
The Napkin for the Breadbasket for the Napkin - Exhibition at Udstillingssted for tekstil, Copenhagen, Denmark
2018 Danish Arts foundation acquire Facet for the Danish Embassy, London, United Kingdom
Monochrom - SE-Design Exhibition, Copenhagen, Denmark
Firstmover - Exhibition at Gallery A. Petersen, Copenhagen, Denmark
PAD Paris - Galerie Maria Wettergren, Paris, France
PAD Geneve - Galerie Maria Wettergren, Geneve, Switzerland
2017 Masterclass trip to Japan - Japanese Cabinet technics - Grand by Statens Kunstfond.
Everyday Life / Signs of Awareness, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Japan
Table for 2 - Exhibition, Aarhus, Denmark
UNFOLD - The Danish Cabinetmakers Association, Danish Design Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark
2016 MINDCRAFT, Milano salone, Milan, Italy
Design Miami/Basel, stand Maria Wettergren, Miami, USA
2015 Hverdag/Every day' - Solo Exhibition at Butik for borddækning, Copenhagen, Denmark
MINDCRAFT, Milano salone, Milan, Italy
The Salon Art + Design, stand Galerie Maria Wettergren, New York, USA

PAD Paris, Stand Galerie Maria Wettergren, Paris, France
Salon Maison et Objet, Human Made by Elisabeth Leriche, Paris, France
2014 PAD London, Stand Galerie Maria Wettergren, London, United Kingdom
PAD Paris, Stand Galerie Maria Wettergren, Paris, France
2013 Christmas collection with Lena Nocolejsen, Designmuseum, Copenhagen, Denmark
Crafts Collection 17 - Maison&Object Paris, France
Invited to craftsmarket OVNHUS "Knock on Wood", Nykøbing Sjælland, Denmark
2012 Crafts Collection 16 - Maison&Object Paris, France
2011 Crafts Collection 15 - Maison&Object Paris, France
WoWoWo (Women Work in Wood) - Exhibition, Dorset, United Kingdom
2009 My precious - Exhibition, The Danish Cabinetmakers Association - My Precious Universe
Danish Design Museum, Copenhagen, Denmark
Start of own design and creation
2007 Copenhagen Furniture Fair, Copenhagen, Denmark
2004 The Scandinavian Furniture Fair, Copenhagen, Denmark

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2022 Grant, Danish Art Foundation, Copenhagen, Denmark
2017 Håndfuglen - Award, Danish Craft and art association, Copenhagen, Denmark
Grant, Kunstforeningen af 14. august, Copenhagen, Denmark
2016 Kunsthåndværkerprisen af 1897 - Award, Copenhagen, Denmark
2013 Winner of Odense international short film Craft trophy competition OFF14, Odense, Denmark