

Man Yau

education

2020 – 2023 Master of Fine Arts, Sculpture department, The Academy of Fine Arts, University of the Arts Helsinki

2013 – 2018 Master of Arts, Degree Programme in Product and Spatial Design, School of Arts, Design and Architecture, Aalto University Helsinki

2010 – 2013 Bachelor of Arts, Degree Programme in Ceramic and Glass Design, School of Arts, Design and Architecture, Aalto University Helsinki

exhibitions

2025

A solo exhibition, Turku Art Museum, Studio, Turku

2024

“Passage”, Helsinki Art Museum / HAM Gallery, Helsinki

“In the spirit of Nubben in five ways”, curated by Juha-Heikki Tihinen/Pro Artibus, Gallery Elverket, Tammisaari

“Saline Binds”, A duo exhibition together with Eetu Sihvonen, Temnikova & Kasela Gallery, Tallinn, Estonia

2023

“Lavender Deal”, as part of Niko Hallikainen’s working group, PERFORMA Biennial 2023 / Finnish Pavilion Without Walls, New York City

“Perceive sea, dunes, mountains in move”, curated by Nimco Hussein and Neicia Marsh, 198 CAL, London

“FLIP! Skeittaus & taide”, Vantaa Art Museum Artsi, Vantaa

“Abundance” curated by Ki Nurmenniemi, Galleri F15, Moss, Norway

“Nuoret 2023”, Kunsthalle Helsinki, Helsinki

“This Coming Together”, Kuva/Tila, The Academy of Fine Arts, Uniarts Helsinki

2022

“wip” together with Maija Fox and Vesa Rahikainen, Outo Olo, Helsinki

“Group Hug”, together with Jade Kallio, Elina Nissinen and Alekski Martikainen at Project Room, Helsinki

“Mäntän Kuvataideviikot”, XXVI Mänttä Art Festival curated by Markus Kähre, Mänttä

2021

“Dried flowers last forever”, Boy Konsthall, Bollebygd, Sweden

“Midsummer Rose”, together with Lukas Malte Hoffmann, Susan Kooi, Malibu, Susan Ploetz and Feminist Culture House at Outo Olo, Helsinki

“Satin”, Galleria Muuntotila, Tampere

“Easy Fit!”, PORUKALLE, Helsinki

“Kuvan Kevät” – MFA Degree Show of the Academy of Fine Arts, Uniarts Helsinki

“Follow that bird”, Konstepidemin, Göteborg, Sweden

2020

“Goblin Doors”, [Online-exhibition](#) organised by Sakari Tervo, Helsinki

“Bird Feeders”, [Online-exhibition](#) organised by Sakari Tervo at Pro Artibus Residency, Tammisaari

“Tranquil Playground”, Totan/Betuno.io, Tokyo, Japan

2019 – 2020

“Finnish Season” in Brussels: COLLECTIBLE Fair and Spazio Nobile Gallery. In Paris: Galerie de l’Institut Finlandais and Révélations Biennale.

2019

“Shiga-Love and Magic Carpets”, together with Jussi Niskanen, Kämp Garden/Garden Room, Helsinki

“How to Slow Rush”, organised and curated by Inaway and FemF (Feminist Forum), Titanik Gallery, Turku

2018

"A Cave For Play", [Online-exhibition](#) organised by Sakari Tervo at Hakaniemi Leikkiluola, Helsinki

"A Passing Permanence", Space for Free Arts, Helsinki

2017

"Delfu", Gallery Huuto, Helsinki

"There Is A Light That Never Goes Out", together with Johannes Ekholm and 111X, Gallery Sinne, Helsinki

"FemF Art" (Feminist Forum), Valssaamo, Helsinki

"Käännekohta", Gallery Sculptor, Helsinki

"La Nuit des Idées", together with Jussi Niskanen, Cité internationale des Arts, Paris, France

2016

"Object of Desire", Design Museum, Helsinki

2015 – 2016

"Recorded Matter" in Pomona, California: American Museum of Ceramic Art. In Asheville, North Carolina: The Center for Craft, Creativity & Design. In Tempe, Arizona: Arizona State University, Art Museum.

2015

"Table Talks", Design Museum Arabia, Helsinki

2014

"Finnish by Nature", Spazio Milano C'est Chic, Milan, Italy

"Nordic Passion", Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea

"Dislocation", together with Jesse Auersalo and Nina Merikallio, The Hole Gallery, New York City

2013

"Semiprecious", Bukowskis, Helsinki

"Norther Exhibition", Ventura Lambrate, Milan, Italy

2012

"Porcelain Decks", CaliHelsinki, Helsinki

public commissions

2023

"Dear Souvenir", commissioned by Helsinki Art Museum (HAM) and City of Helsinki

residencies

2024 –

An artist residency at Fabrikken art centre in Copenhagen, Denmark (3 months). Funded by The Finnish Cultural Foundation

2018

Ceramic residency at Shigaraki Ceramic Cultural Park (SCCP), Japan. Funded by The Finnish Institute in Japan

Ceramic residency at Jingdezhen Ceramic Institute in Yiangxi Province, China. Funded by AaltoEE and Aalto University

2017

Artist residency (part of Jussi Niskanen's working group) at Cité internationale des Arts Paris, France

memberships and position of trust

2021 –

Jury member for Linnamo Award, awarded by Olga and Vilho Linnamo Foundation

2021 – 2022

The exhibition committee member for The Association of Finnish Sculptors, Sculptor Gallery

2019 –

Tiffans ry.

2019

Jury member for Vuoden Huiput 2019, Design category

2016 –

The Association of Finnish Sculptors

artworks in collection

City of Helsinki / Helsinki Art Museum (HAM) Collection

Finnish National Gallery / Museum of Contemporary Art Kiasma Collection

Saastamoinen Foundation / EMMA Espoo Museum of Modern Art

Finnish State Art Deposit Collection

Finnish Art Society, Art Lottery 2019 & 2022

Shigaraki Ceramic Cultural Park Art Collection

Aalto University Executive Education Collection

awards and scholarships

2022

Raimo Utriainen Art Foundation stipend 2022

2021-2023

Mentorship Program, Saastamoinen Foundation, run by curator Angela Rosenberg and artist Hans Rosenström

2021

Anita Snellman Foundation stipend, from the exhibition Kuvan Kevät 2021

Kuvataideakatemia ystävät ry stipend, from the exhibition Kuvan Kevät 2021

2017

“Young Talent of the Year”- award, Muoto gala/Helsinki Design Week

grants (personal)

2024 –

The Finnish Cultural Foundation, Working grant

Oskar Öflunds Stiftelse, Material grant

2023

Greta och Alfred Runebergs Stiftelse, Material grant

The Alfred Kordelin Foundation, Working grant

2022

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Material grant

Kone Foundation, Working grant

The Paulo Foundation, Material grant

2021

Finnish Art Society, Young Artist Grant

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Covid19 grant

Greta ja William Lehtinen Foundation, working and material grant

2020

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Covid19 grant

Academy of Fine Arts, Material grant

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Working grant

2019

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Material grant

2018

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Working grant

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Material grant

2017

Konstsamfundet, Material grant

Arts Promotion Centre Finland, Working grant

2015-2016

Kulturfonden för Sverige och Finland, Travel stipend

2014

Consulate General of Finland in New York, Shipping costs grant

2013

Konstsamfundet, Material grant