

# Mirka Hokkanen

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**Education** 2006 Master of Fine Arts, University of Dallas, Irving, TX  
Concentration in Printmaking  
2004 Master of Arts in Art, University of Dallas, Irving, TX  
Concentration in Printmaking  
2002 Bachelor of Fine Arts in Art, Rockford College, Rockford, IL  
Concentration in Printmaking

**Awards** 2005-2006 *Master of Fine Arts Full Tuition Scholarship*, University of Dallas, Irving, TX  
2003-2004 *Master of Arts Full Tuition Scholarship*, University of Dallas, Irving, TX  
2002 *Arthur B. Adair Award in Fine Arts*, Rockford College, Rockford, IL  
2001 *The Dedrick Prize in Art*, Rockford College, Rockford, IL  
2000 *Marion Zahm Gibbs Scholarship*, Rockford College, Rockford, IL  
1998-2002 *Presidential Full Tuition Scholarship*, Rockford College, Rockford, IL

**Selected Solo Exhibitions** 2010 *Puskaradio*, Galleria Gjutars, Vantaa, Finland  
*Prints and Drawings by Mirka Hokkanen*, Mad Hat Tea Company, Tacoma WA  
2009 *Stewards of Our Land*, Friends Gallery, Lakewood Library, Lakewood, WA  
*Bits and Pieces*, Patriots Landing, Dupont, WA  
2007 *Kaikenkarvaiset*, Tuusan Aitta, Nummela, Finland  
2006 *Dilemma*, Klaukkalan Kehys ja Lasi, Klaukkala, Finland  
*Maatilalla (At the Farm)*, Galleria Harmonia, Jyväskylän Grafiikkakeskus, Jyväskylä, Finland  
*Manipulated*, Continental Gallery, Dallas, TX  
2005 *Master in Arts Thesis Exhibition*, Gorman Lecture Hall, University of Dallas, Irving, TX

**Selected Group Exhibitions** 2010 *Mummu and Me*, Finn Fest Art Gallery, Naselle High School Event Center Gallery, Naselle, WA  
*Picturing the Beast*, Hall Street Gallery, Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA  
*18<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried International Miniature Show*, Parklane Gallery, Kirkland, WA  
*La Familia Gallery group Show*, at Arte Monaco '10 Special Edition, Grimaldi Forum, Monaco  
*Bad Latitude*, Gallery Golden Point, Nummela, Finland  
*Catalyst*, University of Texas Art Gallery, Dallas, TX  
2009 *5x5 Group Show*, La Familia Gallery, Seattle, WA  
*La Familia Gallery Group Show*, Aqua Art Miami, Miami, FL  
*Grafiikkaa, Veistoksia*, Galleria Ferin, Helsinki, Finland  
*Grand Gallimaufry*, Friends Gallery, Lakewood Library, Lakewood, Washington  
*Pierce Artists*, Pierce College Fine Arts Gallery, Pierce College- Fort Steilacoom, Lakewood, WA  
*National Small Works 2009*, Washington Printmakers Gallery, NW Washington DC  
*Uusi Lehti- Uutta Taidegrafiikkaa*, Galleria G, Helsinki, Finland  
*Feels Like Home*, Grand Impromptu Gallery, Tacoma, WA  
*Undefined*, Desotorow Gallery, Juror Eun Lee, Savannah, GA  
*Trees I have Known*, Juried show, Lawrence Percolator, Lawrence, Kansas  
2008 *Picturing the Beast*, Columbia College, Chicago, Illinois  
*Sustainable Source*, Juried exhibition, Longwood University, Farmville, VA  
*Faculty Exhibition*, Armstrong Atlantic State University Gallery, Savannah, GA  
*Cinco De Saltgrass*, Saltgrass Printmakers, Salt Lake City, UT  
*Art Biologic*, National juried exhibition, Limner Gallery, Hudson, NY  
*Naestved International Mini Print Exhibition*, Naestved Grafisk Vaerksted, Naestved, Denmark  
*Prints for Peace*, IMNRC Gallery, Monterrey NL Mexico  
*Art at the X-National Juried Exhibition*, Xavier University Art Gallery, Cincinnati, OH  
*Political & Poetical: 14<sup>th</sup> Tallinn Print Triennial*, Kumu Art Museum, Tallinn Art Hall, Tallinn, Estonia

- 2007 *Miniprint Finland 2007 Triennial*, Lahti Art Museum, Lahti, Finland  
*Another View*, Los Angeles Printmaking Society, Weingart Gallery, Occidental College, Los Angeles, CA  
*Nature House*, Woman Made Gallery, Chicago, IL  
*6<sup>th</sup> Lesseda World Art Print Annual*, Lessedra Gallery & Contemporary Art Projects, Sofia, Bulgaria  
*Loyal Opposition: Art as Vehicle for Protest and Dissent*, Texas State University – San Marcos Art Gallery, San Marcos, Texas  
*A Printmakers Perspective*, Romo Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
- 2006 *Gallery 1905 National Small Print Exhibition*, Juror Michael Barnes, Gallery 1905, Sycamore, IL  
*Forging Connections: Mid-America Print Council Juried Exhibition*, The Dairy Barn Arts Center, Athens, OH  
*Draw\_Drawing\_2*, The Foundry Gallery, London Biennale, London, UK  
*500X: Love Us For Good*, Motel 3, Contemporary Art Month (CAM), San Antonio, TX  
*West Meets West*, University of Art and Design Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland  
*19<sup>th</sup> Parkside National Small Print Exhibition*, University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Kenosha, WI  
 \*Purchase Award, Juror Rudy Pozzatti
- 2005 *500X on Broadway*, 473 Broadway Gallery, New York, NY  
*Under the Influence*, National juried portfolio, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ  
*Egos: Erik Tosten, Mirka Hokkanen, Sara Maxwell English*, 500X Gallery, Dallas, TX  
*Marginalia*, National juried exchange portfolio and exhibition for graduate students, Reuff Galleries, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN  
*New Texas Talent XII*, Craighead-Green Gallery, Dallas, TX
- 2004 *Mid America Print Council Members Juried Exhibition*, University of Nebraska- Lincoln, NE  
 \*Recognition award  
*MAPC Print Exchange Portfolio*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE  
*Exchange Show*, Bilkent University, Bilkent, Ankara, Turkey
- 2003 *Mid America Print Council Members Juried Small Print Exhibition*, DeKalb Gallery, DeKalb, IL  
*WaterMedia IV*, Period Gallery, Omaha, NE
- 2002 *Recent Works by Mirka Hokkanen & Mary Tousman*, Movable Feast, Rockford, IL  
*Americas 2000 All Media Competition*, Minot State University, Minot, ND

## Public Collections

School of Visual Concepts, Seattle, WA	University of Art and Design Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland
Special Collections Library, University of Washington, Seattle, WA	University of Dallas, Irving, TX
NoteWorld Service Center, Tacoma, WA	Bilkent University, Ankara, Turkey
Käpytikka RY, Helsinki, Finland	University of Alaska, Anchorage, AL
Lillie M. Kleven Print Collection, Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN	Rockford College, Rockford, IL
University of Wisconsin-Parkside, Kenosha, WI	BVRH Therapeutic Riding Program, Poplar Grove, IL
United States Army, Fort Stewart Museum, Fort Stewart, GA	University of Nebraska, Omaha, NE

## Memberships

Suomen Taidegraafikot	La Familia Gallery, Seattle, WA
Southern Graphics Council	Mid America Print Council

## Professional Experiences

- 2010 Visiting Artist Demonstration, how to print with polymerplates for Pacific Gallery Artists, South Park Community Center, Tacoma, WA  
Printmaking Instructor at private studio, 2009-2010, Tacoma, WA  
Plastic plate lithography workshop instructor, King's Books, Tacoma, WA  
Curator and organizer for Seattle-based La Familia Co-op gallery group exhibition at Gallery Golden Point in Nummela, Finland.  
Introduction to Polymerplates class instructor at Gallery Golden point in Nummela Finland  
Artist booth at the Tacoma is for Lovers art and crat fair at King's Books, Tacoma, WA  
Demonstration and Lecture on polymerplates and own work for Pacific Gallery Artist monthly meeting, South Park Community Center, Tacoma, WA

- 2009 Open Studio Tour Artist for the yearly Tacoma Art at Work month event, Tacoma WA  
Member of La Familia co-operative Gallery, Seattle, WA  
Commission of three paintings for NoteWorld Service Center, Tacoma, WA  
Member of the Grand Impromptu Gallery, artist co-operative gallery, Tacoma, WA  
Curator for the printmaking exhibition *Old Print - New Tricks*. Exhibition included a gallery talk.  
 Armstrong Atlantic State University Art Gallery, Savannah, GA
- 2008 Adjunct Faculty at Armstrong Atlantic State University, Fort Stewart and Savannah, GA.  
 Instructor for printmaking and art appreciation. 2007-2008  
Guest Artist at Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah, GA. Lecture on works and critique with students.
- 2007 Drawing Instructor at McIntosh Art Association, Darien, GA  
Guest artist at Trinity University, San Antonio, TX. Presented work and demonstrations in intaglio and instructed advanced students.  
Adjunct Faculty at Columbia College, Fort Stewart, GA. Instructor for two classes in art appreciation and history. 2007- 2008  
Guest Artist at Trinity University, San Antonio, TX. Presented work and demonstrations in screen printing and intaglio and instructed advanced students.
- 2006 Panelist for *Welding Cultural Identity Into Printmaking*, Forging Connections, Mid-America Print Council Conference, Athens, OH  
Guest Artist at Tarrant County College, South Campus, Fort Worth, TX. Presented two lectures of personal works.  
Juror for regional Texas Art Education Association high school Visual Art Scholastic Event (VASE), Coppell, TX  
Guest Artist at North Lake College, Irving, TX. Presented lecture of personal work.  
Printer in charge for Matrix Visiting Artist Rosalyn Richards. Assisted in printing an edition of her prints and designed and installed her exhibition at the Upper Gallery, University of Dallas, Irving, TX
- 2005 Curator of the drawing exhibition *Paper and Plastic*. Exhibition included short gallery talk. Upper Gallery, University of Dallas, Irving, TX  
Co-Juror for *The University of Dallas 19<sup>th</sup> National Print Invitational*, selected artists and framed accepted works, University of Dallas, Irving, TX  
Guest Artist at Mountain View College, Dallas, TX. Presented lecture of personal works.  
Assistant to art history professor Lyle Novinski for his class *Eternal Cities of Italy* offered at University of Dallas. Course included traveling to Italy and Greece with the class.
- 2004 Member of 500X cooperative gallery, 2004-2006, Dallas, TX.  
Guest Artist at the Tarrant County College, Arlington, TX. Presented lecture of personal works.  
Guest Lecturer at the Navarro College, Corsicana, TX. Presentation on the history and techniques of printmaking and personal work.
- 2003 Co-Juror for *The University of Dallas 18<sup>th</sup> national Print Invitational*, selected artists and framed accepted work, University of Dallas, Irving, TX

### **Gallery Affiliations**

#### **La Familia Gallery**

117 Prefontaine Place S. Seattle, WA  
 1 888 907 9119, www.lafamiliagallery.org

#### **Galleria G**

Pieni Roobertinkatu 10, Helsinki, Finland  
 +358 9 700 285 01, galleria.g@taidegraafikot.fi

#### **Artway,**

Meritie 10, Nummela, Finland  
 Contact: Merja Leander + 358-9-222-7675

#### **Galleria Dix**

Uudenmaankatu 11, Helsinki, Finland  
 +358 09 603 661, info@galleriadix.fi

### **Bibliography**

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 Visa Högman, "Bad Latitude ehti Nummelan Golden Pointiin ennen lentokieltoja", *Lansi-Uusimaa*, April 24, 2010, p.6  
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 Sylvia Peterson, "Wife Uses Art to Cope With Deployment", *The Fort Lewis Ranger*, October 22, 2009, p. 15  
 Ron Swarner, "Tacoma Artwalk Worthy", *The Weekly Volcano*, June 19, 2009.

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Margaret Toussaint, "MAA Features Thought-provoking Artist," *The Darien News*, August, 16, 2007, p. 7.  
Maija-Liisa Nyman, "Kaikenkarvaiset on kuin Läpsäytys Naamalle," *Vihdin Uutiset*, July, 15, 2007, p. 5.  
Tarja Omenainen, "Vastakohtien Taidetta Tuusan Aitassa," *Luoteis-Uusimaa*, July, 13, 2007, 4.  
Janne Koivisto, "Dilemma Näyttää Jenkkiruoan Reseptin," *Nurmijärven Uutiset*, August, 6, 2006, p. 8.  
Lotta Roukala, "Herätys, missä kasvaa lehmä?" *Keskisuomalainen*, July, 6, 2006.  
Katja Koljonen, "Taitelija kieltäytyy amerikkalaisten hormonipihveistä," *Maaseudun Tulevaisuus*, July, 21, 2006, p. 12.  
Suomen Tieto Toimisto, "Taidetta tehomataloutta vastaan," *Hämeen Sanomat*, July, 6, 2006.  
Merritt Martin, "A Herd of Art," *Dallas Observer*, March, 23-29, 2006, p. 34