HC BERG



Visual Vortex – Seventh Hour 1, $100 \times 70 \times 29$ cm, Acrylic sculpture, 2011

Visual art is one of those ways of articulating and means of opening up understanding. Berg's works display the possibilities of art for taking part in this chain of shaping, dismantling and constructing. The reality of everyday reality and of the perceptions, routines and habits that arise out of it are presented for reassessment. In Berg's works the transparency of thoughts and mental images has been given tactile form. The immateriality of thoughts has found tangibility: surfaces for thoughts to solidify and grow. At the same time, they radiate visual gaiety and lightness. In the viewing situation the impressions produced by these works stimulate attentiveness and challenge us to see.

-Leevi Haapala

HC Berg is a young Finnish artist who has been steadily growing in international renown over the last ten years. With observation and perception as his subject matter, Berg employs a variety of media from metals to glass to acrylics to create works that possess unlimited optical dexterity. His art challenges customary ways of seeing and viewing, with the interaction of material and light offering surprises and insights.

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HC BFRG

Born in Espoo, Finland in 1971 Lives and works in Inkoo, Finland

EDUCATION

1994-5 The Nordic Art School, Karleby, Finland

1998-9 MA, University of Art and Design, Helsinki, Finland 1999-2002 MFA, Academy of Fine Arts, Helsinki, Finland

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2012 Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland
2010 Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland
2008 The Finnish Institute, Stockholm, Sweden

The Norwegian Institute of Culture, Oslo, Norway

Young Artist of the Year – HC Berg, Meilahti Art Museum, Helsinki, Finland. Young Artist of the Year – HC Berg, Ostrobothnian museum, Vaasa, Finland Young Artist of the Year – HC Berg, Tampere Art Museum, Tampere, Finland

2005 Galerie Forsblom Projects, Helsinki, Finland

2004 Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

2011 Kesä – Sommar – Summer 2011, Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki, Finland

2009 Kaleidoscope, Galerie Kashya Hildebrand, Zurich, Switzerland

Kuntsi Museum of Modern Art , Vaasa, Finland

Reflections, Hämeenlinna Art Museum, Hämeenlinna, Finland Stunning, Wäinö Aaltonen Art Museum, Turku, Finland

Biennale Kijkduin 2009

Connections 2009, Contemporary European Glass Sculpture, Prague, Czech

Republic

2008 BIABB 08, Beijing, China

Sharjah Calligraphy Biennial, U.A.E

2007 Stopover, Samuelis Baumgarte Galerie, Bielefeld, Germany

Galerie Forsblom, Helsinki

2006 Fragile from Finland, Nationaal Glasmuseum Leerdam, The Netherlands

Mänttä 2006, Intimacy, Finland

Glass Art in Finland, Touring exhibition, Nancy, France Galerie Elverket, Ekenäs,

Finland

2005 Light Treatment, Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art, Turku, Finland Kyoto Art Walk,

Kyoto, Japan

Global Art Glass 2005, Triennal of Glass Art, Borgholm Castle Öland, Sweden

Labyrinth, Fiskars, Finland, Oulu Art Museum, Oulu, Finland

Galerie Forsblom Graphics, Helsinki, Finland

2003 Nighttrain, Kiasma, Contemporary Museum of Art, Helsinki, Finland

100 Years of Finnish Ceramics, Design Museum, Helsinki, Finland

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2009 William Thuring Foundation

2008 Ist prize in juried sculpture competition for the New FENNIA House, Helsinki,

Finland

2007 The National Young Artist of the Year, Finland

2003 Living Residence 3- year grant, Villa Snäcksund, Ekenäs, Finland

2000 Raimo Utriainen Foundation, Young Sculptor Award of the year, Finland

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