

Szilvia Szigeti - Textile designer and curator

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My creative work is based on a number of complementary activities.

As a textile designer, I have created an own collection of works, and I have designed for a number of – mostly European – companies as well.

I am curator at the Academy Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart.

Exhibition and event management and organization play a particularly important role in my life. Since 1987, I have organized and managed more than two-hundred exhibitions, events or series of events with Tamás Radnóti interior designer in for e.g. Gallery Eventuell (we based on 1994), furthermore we have organized much more comprehensive professional exhibitions such as the Textival for young hungarian textil and fashion designers (annually 1994-98), TEXHIBITION (annually since 2014) for textile designers from different countries and the “Design without borders” exhibitions, one of the most important designs event in the region, which based on “madeinhungary” – an exhibition introducing Hungarian designers, held annually from 2004, and since 2012, we have organised the MeeD (Meeting of European and Central European Designers) exhibitions, which focus on international designers and artists. For the first time, the “Design without borders” exhibitions is being organised as an international festival and as part of the Hungarian Festival Alliance and EFFE (Europe for Festivals, Festivals for Europe). Over the course of the twentythree years, we have worked together with some 7000 designers and artists.

Major work experiences

- 1986 - 2019
- Study tour – Marimekko, Helsinki
 - IKEA (SE)
 - Backhausen,Vienna (A)
 - Stuttgarter Gardinenfabrik (D)
 - Creation Baumann, Langenthal (CH)
 - Collection Classik, Vienna (A)
 - Kinnasand, Westerstede (D)
 - Modum, Basel (CH)
 - Herend Porcelain Manufactory, Herend (H)
 - Gessner Ag, Wädenswill (CH)
 - Aivatidis Textiles, Athen (GR)
 - “Unikát” Textilecollection, Development of my own individual collection since 1994 (H)
 - Curator at the Academy Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart (since 2014 -)
 - Curator and organiser more than twoo hundreded exhibitions and event series (since 1994 -)

Major participations in exhibitions and trade fairs

- 1986 - 2019
- Final of the Competition of Young Textile Designers sponsored by Nina Ricci and Air France, Paris (1986, 1987, 1989)
 - “Textival” exhibition and fashion show of young hungarian textile and fashion designers (1994, 1995, 1997, 1998)
 - Heimtextil Frankfurt (annually 1994 - 2005)
 - Deco in Berlin (1995)
 - Blick Fang in Stuttgart (1996)
 - Design without borders - madeinhungary + MeeD (annually 2004 -)
 - TEXHIBITION (annually 2014 -)
 - CASA Texbo, Salzburg (2018)

Major exhibitions and events organized jointly with Tamás Radnóti interior designer

- Exhibitions of Gallery Eventuell (5-6 exhibitions for designers and artists from different countries /Year since 1994 -)
- “Textival” exhibition and fashion show of young hungarian textile and fashion designers (1994, 1995, 1997, 1998)
- TEXHIBITION exhibition textile designers of diferent countries (annually 2014 -)
- Design without borders - madeinhungary + MeeD, exhibition, meeting and all art event series of furniture-, textile-, object and jewellery designers, (annually 2004 -).
- The event serie is member of EFFE (Europe for Festivals Festivals for Europe)

Major grants and prices

- Grant of the Academy Schloss Solitude, Stuttgart (1992-93)
- Hungarian Design Award, Nivo Price (2001)
- Ferenczy Noémi Award (2017)

Education - Moholy Nagy University of Fine Arts and Design / Textile (1982-1986)

Languages - English and German