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Education

- 1993 Art Institute of Boston, B.F.A.
- 1990 Brevard Community College, photography
- 1988 University of Iceland, B.A. in French

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 Residence of the Ambassador of Iceland, *Space-Time Continuum* — Berlin, Germany
- 2018 Berg Contemporary, *The Search for Truth* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2016 Gerðarsafn, *Double Happiness* — Kópavogur, Iceland
- 2015 Schody Galeria, *Equivocal* — Warsaw, Poland
- 2014 Deborah Berke, *Vanished Summer* — New York, USA
- 2013 ASÍ Museum, *Vanished Summer* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2012 The Shed, *Here You'll Find No Roses Growing* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2010 Gallerí Ágúst, *Equivocal: The Sequel* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2010 Reykjavík Art Museum, *Nowhereland* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2008 Gallerí Ágúst, *Equivocal* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2008 Reykjavík Museum of Photography, *Home-Away* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2007 National Museum of Iceland, *Without a Trace* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2007 ASÍ Museum, *Of This World* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2005 Ísafjörður Art Museum, *Longing* — Ísafjörður, Iceland
- 2005 SÍM House, *The Savior* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2004 Hafnarborg Institute of Culture and Fine Art, *Memory* — Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
- 2003 Mokka, *Breathless* — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2003 Seventh and Second Gallery, *Revenants* — New York, NY, USA
- 2002 Akureyri Art Museum, *Revenants* — Akureyri, Iceland
- 2002 Gallerí Skuggi, *Revenants / Proximal Dimension* — Reykjavík, Iceland

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2020 Hafnarborg, *Silent Spring* — Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
- 2020 Gerðarsafn Art Museum, *Imprint* — Kópavogur, Iceland
- 2019 HiB, *The Shed Culture House* — Reykjavík
- 2019 Benaki Museum, *Athens Photo Festival* — Athens, Greece
- 2019 Ministry for Foreign Affairs, *Exposures* — Reykjavík
- 2019 Listasafn Reykjanesbæjar, *Ljós og tími* — Reykjanesbæ
- 2018 Forum Box, *Dinner party with Cyclone* — Helsinki, Finland
- 2018 The Museum of Photography, *Nature as Playground* — Seoul, Korea
- 2018 Künstlerhaus 1050, *EIKON Award* — Vienna, Austria
- 2018 FLUSS, *Ultima Thule* — Schloss Wolkersdorf, Austria
- 2018 Gerðarsafn Art Museum, *Embody* — Kópavogur, Iceland
- 2017 Martin Asbæk Gallery, *Human;Nature* — Copenhagen
- 2017 Martin Asbæk Gallery, *Summer in the City* — Copenhagen
- 2017 Mikligarður, *FÍSL 2017*, Höfn í Hornafirði, Iceland
- 2016 Titanik Gallery, *Cyclone 3* — Turku, Finland
- 2016 Fotobook Festival, *A Decade of Icelandic Photobooks* — Youngstorget, Oslo
- 2016 National Gallery, *Lightpaint* — Reykjavík
- 2015 Musée de l'Elysée, *Nuit des images, Rökkur* — Lausanne, Sviss
- 2015 Hafnarborg, *No Site* — Hafnarfjörður
- 2015 The Factory, *ÍSÓ 2015* — Ísafjörður

- 2015 University of Richmond Museum, *Anti-Grand* — Richmond, VA, USA
 2014 Hillyer Art Space, *Visible Iceland* — Washington, DC, USA
 2014 Reykjavík Museum of Photography, *From a Different Angle* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2014 LÁ Art Museum, *Cyclone* — Hveragerði, Iceland
 2014 Akureyri Art Museum, *Icelandic Contemporary Portraits* — Akureyri, Iceland
 2013 Eskilstuna Konstmuseum, *Nordic Art Station* — Eskilstuna, Sweden
 2013 ASÍ Museum, *Auglitis til auglitis* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2013 Hippolyte Gallery, *Frontiers of Another Nature* — Helsinki, Finland
 2012 Hafnarborg, *Skia-Shadow* — Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
 2012 Voies-Off Festival, *Family Business/Photography From the North* — Arles, France
 2012 LÁ Art Museum, *Nautn og notagildi* — Hveragerði, Iceland
 2012 La Sala, *Art of Darkness* — Brooklyn, NY, USA
 2012 Reykjavík Photography Festival, *Icelandic Contemporary Photography 1990-2011* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2011 Frankfurter Kunstverein, *Frontiers of Another Nature* — Frankfurt, Germany
 2011 Akureyri Art Museum, *Awakening* — Akureyri, Iceland
 2010 Reykjanes Art Museum, *Window Mirrors* — Reykjanesbær, Iceland
 2009 LÁ Art Museum, *Flash at a Moment of Danger* — Hveragerði, Iceland
 2009 Ridgefield Guild of Artists, *Camera Works 2009* — Ridgefield, CT, USA
 2008 National Museum of Iceland, *Reflection – Icelandic Contemporary Photography* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2008 Eagle Art Gallery, *Magic Silver* — Murray, KY, USA
 2007 Stay Gold Gallery, *Blowup* — Brooklyn, NY, USA
 2005 C.A.T. Nordlicht, *Myth & Melancholy* — Cologne, Germany
 2005 Living Art Museum, *Morar-nærvidd*, with M. Hemstock — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2004 La Maison Européenne de la Photographie, *SYN* — Paris, France
 2004 Klink og Bank Gallery, *Sound & Vision* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2003 Society for Contemporary Photography, *Current Works 2003* — Kansas City, MO, USA
 2003 Gallery Korea, *Haunted* — New York, NY, USA
 2003 LBI Foundation of the Arts and Sciences, *Photography and Digital Images* — Loveladies, NJ, USA
 2003 Rathaus, Nordischer Klang 2003, *Contemporary Reykjavík* — Greifswald, Germany
 2003 Reykjavík Art Museum – Kjarvalsstaðir, *New Times in Icelandic Photography* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2003 Korean Cultural Center, *Cultural Narratives* — Los Angeles, CA, USA
 2003 Soho Photo Gallery, *Krappy Kamera* — New York, NY, USA
 2003 Reykjavík Museum of Photography, *Light-Speed* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2002 Moscow House of Photography, *Seasons of Icelandic Photography* — Moscow, Russia

Books

- 2020 *Silent Spring*. Hafnarborg, Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
 2019 *The Shed*. Hið íslenska bókmenntafélag, Reykjavík, Iceland
 2016 *Double Happiness*. Crymogeia, Reykjavík, Iceland
 2013 *Vanished Summer*. Crymogeia, Reykjavík, Iceland
 2013 *Nordic Now*. Aalto, Helsinki, Finland
 2012 *Equivocal*. Crymogeia, Reykjavík, Iceland
 2011 *Frontiers of Another Nature*. Crymogeia, Reykjavík, and Kehrer Verlag, Heidelberg/Berlin
 2008 *Reflection: Icelandic Contemporary Photography*. National Museum of Iceland, Reykjavík
 2005 *Mórar-nærvidd*. 12 Tónar, Reykjavík, Iceland

Awards & Grants

- 2020 Ministry of Culture, 3-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2019 Ministry of Culture, 6-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2019 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, project grant — Iceland

2019 The Visual Arts Fund, Project Grant — Iceland
 2018 The Icelandic Finnish Cultural Foundation — Finland
 2017 EIKON Award (+ 45) — Vienna, Austria
 2017 Icelandic Art Center, travel grant — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2017 Ministry of Culture, 6-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2016 Danish Arts Foundation, travel grant — Denmark
 2016 Icelandic Art Center, project grant — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2016 Kulturkontakt Nord, mobility grant — Helsinki, Finland
 2016 Muggur, residency grant — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2016 Icelandic Art Center, travel grant — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2015 The Northern Lights Confucius Institute, publishing grant — Reykjavik, Iceland
 2014 Ministry of Culture, 12 month artist stipend — Iceland
 2013 The Visual Arts Fund, Project Grant — Iceland
 2013 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, travel grant — Iceland
 2013 Ministry of Culture, 3-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2013 City of Reykjavík, project grant — Iceland
 2012 Ministry of Culture, 6-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2012 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, project grant — Iceland
 2011 Ministry of Culture, 3-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2010 City of Reykjavík, project grant — Iceland
 2009 Künstlerhaus Lukas, 1-month scholarship — Ahrenshoop, Germany
 2009 Ministry of Culture, 6-month artist stipend — Iceland
 2009 Ridgefield Guild of Artists, First Prize in *Camera Works 2009* — Ridgefield, CT, USA
 2008 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, project grant — Iceland
 2008 Icelandic Art Center, project grant — Iceland
 2007 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, Honorary Award nomination — Iceland
 2007 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, travel grant — Iceland
 2007 Muggur, Residency Grant — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2007 Stockholm Cultural Fund, travel grant — Stockholm, Sweden
 2004 Bank of Iceland, Cultural Fund Grant — Iceland
 2003 Ministry of Education, travel grant — Iceland
 2003 Society for Contemporary Photography, Merit Award — Kansas City, MO, USA
 2003 Soho Photo Gallery, First Prize in *Krappy Kamera* — New York, USA
 2002 Icelandic Visual Arts Copyright Association, project grant — Iceland
 2002 Ministry of Education, Arts & Culture Fund grant — Iceland
 2002 South Shore Art Center, Third Prize in *White, Black and Shades of Gray* — Cohasset, MA

Curatorial Work

2019 Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Afjúpanir/Exposures — Reykjavik
 2018 Pingyao Photography Festival, *This Island Earth*, Pingyao, China
 2018 Photographic Center North, *This Island Earth*, Oulu, Finland
 2018 Reykjavík Museum of Photography, *Pessi eyja jörðin*, Reykjavik
 2017 Galleri Image, *This Island Earth*, Aarhus, Denmark
 2017 Photobook Week Aarhus, *A decade of Icelandic Photobooks*, Aarhus, Denmark
 2016 Fotobook Festival, *A decade of Icelandic Photobooks* — Youngstorget, Oslo
 2016 National Museum of Iceland, *Andvari / Breeze* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2015 Musée de L'Elysée, *Rökkur* — La Nuit Des Images, Lausanne, Switzerland
 2014 National Museum of Iceland, *From a Different Angle* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2014 Reykjavík Museum of Photography, *From a Different Angle* — Reykjavík, Iceland
 2014 Norwegian House, *Landform* — Stykkisholmur, Iceland
 2010 Nordic House, *Núna—The Present is Now* — Reykjavik, Iceland

Boards & Committees

2015-2022 Co-Director, Co-Founder, *The Icelandic Photography Festival*, Reykjavik, Iceland
2019-2022 Chairman of The Professional Committee, The Photography School, Reykjavik
2012-2015 Co-Founder, Board Member, *Photography Days Festival*, Reykjavik, Iceland
2011-2015 Board Member, Icelandic Art Center, Reykjavik
2012-2015 Professional Committee, Icelandic Art Center, Reykjavik
2009-2012 Board Member, SÍM – Visual Artist Association, Reykjavik, Iceland
2007-2013 Co-Founder, Board Member, The Icelandic Contemporary Photographers' Association

Lectures & Teaching

2020 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — workshop manager
2018 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — photography workshop teacher
2016-2020 The School of Photography, Reykjavik, Iceland — part-time teacher
2016 The School of Photography, Reykjavik, Iceland — Annual Review Committee Member
2016-2018 The School of Photography, Reykjavik, Iceland — workshop teacher
2016 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — guest lecturer
2015-2018 The Reykjavik School of Visual Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — part-time teacher
2015 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — guest lecturer, M.A. studies program
2013 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — guest lecturer, M.A. studies program
2006-2009 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — Photography As an Artistic Medium
2005 Iceland Academy of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — guest lecturer

Collections

The Reykjavík Art Museum, Reykjavík, Iceland

The National Gallery of Iceland, Reykjavík, Iceland

The Reykjanes Art Museum, Reykjanesbær, Iceland

The National Museum of Iceland, Reykjavík, Iceland

Gerðarsafn Kópavogur Art Museum, Iceland

Reykjavík Museum of Photography, Reykjavík, Iceland

Akureyri Art Museum, Akureyri, Iceland

Private collections in Iceland, Denmark, Germany, Finland, Sweden and the United States

