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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

- 2021 Hafnarborg, Songbirds — Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
- 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

- 2022 Landskrona Foto — Snowflakes and Other Surprises, Landskrona, Sweden
- 2022 Akureyri Art Museum — Black and White, Akureyri, Iceland
- 2022 Ísafjörður Art Museum — Nr4 Umhverfing, Ísafjörður, Iceland
- 2022 Ars Longa Art Museum — Rolling Snowball, Djúpvogur, Iceland
- 2022 National Gallery, *Staged Moments* — Reykjavík
- 2021 Fotografisk Center — Snowflakes and Other Surprises, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2021 Dunker's culture house — Nordic Salong 2021, Helsingborg, Sweden
- 2021 Reykjavík Art Museum — Abracadabra, Reykjavík
- 2021 Streetlevel Photoworks — Forever changes, Glasgow, Scotland
- 2021 Bærum Kunsthall — PULS- ISLAND, Oslo, Norway
- 2021 Reykjavík Art Museum — Eilíf endurkoma, Reykjavík
- 2021 LÁ Art Museum — Iðustreymi, Hveragerði
- 2020 BERG Contemporary — Vegetation, Reykjavík
- 2020 Reykjavík Museum of Photography - Fjarski og nánd, Reykjavík
- 2020 Sláturhúsið, MMF — LAND, Egilstaðir
- 2020 Hafnarborg, Silent Spring — Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
- 2020 Gerðarsafn Art Museum, Imprint — Kópavogur, Iceland
- 2019 HiB, Skúrinn — 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 Reykjavik* — 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

- 2021 *Songbirds*. Self-published, Reykjavik, Iceland
- 2020 *Silent Spring*. Hafnarborg, Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
- 2020 *Fegurðin er ekki skraut*, Íslensk samtímaljósmyndun, Fagurskinna, Reykjavík
- 2019 *The Shed*. Hið íslenska bókmenntafélag, Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2016 *Double Happiness*. Crymogea, Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2013 *Vanished Summer*. Crymogea, Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2013 *Nordic Now*. Aalto, Helsinki, Finland
- 2012 *Equivocal*. Crymogea, Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2011 *Frontiers of Another Nature*. Crymogea, Reykjavík, and Kehrer Verlag, Heidelberg/Berlin
- 2008 *Reflection: Icelandic Contemporary Photography*. National Museum of Iceland, Reykjavík
- 2005 *Mórar-nærvídd*. 12 Tónar, Reykjavík, Iceland

Awards & Grants

- 2022 Ministry of Culture, 6-month artist stipend — Iceland
- 2021 Icelandic Art Center, travel grant — Reykjavík, Iceland
- 2021 The Visual Arts Fund, Project Grant — Iceland
- 2021 Ministry of Culture, 6-month artist stipend — Iceland
- 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

2021-2022 Art Council member, *Gerðarsafn Art Museum*, Kópavogur, Iceland
2015-2024 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

2016-2022 The School of Photography, Reykjavik, Iceland — part-time teacher
2020 Iceland University of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — workshop manager
2018 Iceland University of the Arts, Reykjavik, Iceland — photography workshop 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