

Post Tour Programme – IAC Congress and General Assembly 2020

The official Post Tour Programme of the IAC
(International Academy of Ceramics) Congress and
General Assembly 2020 (from 2.8.2020 to 5.8.2020).



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The Post Tour Programme includes:

- transports to and from the Post Tour destinations on the actual programme days, from 2.8. to 5.8. (1.8. and 6.8. are reserved for the independent arrival and departure of the participants)
- the meals mentioned below, admission fees to the venues as well as guided tours and hosting

For the programme to be realized, the minimum number of participants is 20, maximum 100. *If there will be less than 20 participants, programme will be cancelled.* The last day to sign in is 31.5.2020.

The Post Tour Programme price does not include:

- does not include flights or other transport to and from Helsinki. This is booked independently by each participant.
- does not include accommodation. Because some of the participants have other accommodation, this is also independently booked or organized by the participants.

We have a special deal with Lapland Hotels Bulevardi, which offers participants a discount on several room types. Below the description of the room types by the hotel:

”Prices are from 149€/ room /night in Northern Comfort room. A magnificent memory foam bed and quiet dark colours will take you into a moment of peace. Let all the wonder come and take a breather.

From 199€/room/night you will have a private sauna in your room Mystique deluxe sauna. We have wanted to bring the sense of peace right from the mists of the forest into our room at the heart of Helsinki – you may still find the slowly drifting mist in the soft heat of the sauna.”



Arctic deluxe spa: from 219€/room/night you may experience the spa world of this junior suite room in your own way – find relaxation in the heat of the sauna or the freshness of a flowing rapid in the designer bathtub.”

If you book accommodation in Lapland Hotels Bulevardi, you can benefit from our special prices for Post Tour participants. After registration for Post Tour, you will receive a link with which you can book at a special price before 28.6.2020. You can book via a weblink, that you will receive after booking your place on the Post Tour.

Participants can of course book other accommodation if that suits their needs better. There are several hotels and other accommodation possibilities in Helsinki.

The bus transport on the Post Tour Programme days leaves from and returns to the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi, which is located in downtown Helsinki, very close to everything. The Post Tour is guided all the way from the beginning on Sunday to the end on Wednesday evening by art expert Johanna Wahlbeck (photo on the right). She will travel with the participants, provide interesting information about the venues and answer the participants' questions. Communication language will be English.



The Post Tour is organized by [Johanna Wahlbeck Oy](#) company with co-operation with [Åbergin Linja](#) bustravel company.

We reserve the right to make changes to the Post Tour Programme if necessary.

Post Tour Programme

Saturday 1.8.2020

Arrival to [Helsinki](#) (independently).

Check-in to the hotel of your choice, booking independently. If you chose [Lapland Hotels Bulevardi](#) you have booked accommodation there with our special price. After signing in you have received a link for this, booking with the special price is possible before 28.6.2020

Sunday 2.8.2020: The First Day Of The Post Tour

We begin the Post Tour with a visit to [Sipoo](#) and [Vantaa](#).

- 9:15 am: We meet in front of the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi (Bulevardi 28, Helsinki) and take the bus to Sipoo, to the Gallery [Gumbostand Konst & Form](#)

- 10 am: We arrive to Gumbostrand Konst & Form (on the right) and will hear the introduction, visit the ceramics exhibition and enjoy delicious brunch.

IAC ceramist **Åsa Hellman** is the ceramist of the Gumbostrand summer exhibition. Hellman will meet us in the exhibition herself (photo on the right).

- 1 pm: We take our bus to the next city, the city of Vantaa.

- 2 pm: Coffee and snacks at [Wanda's Kitchen & Lounge](#)

- 3 pm: We arrive to [Vantaa Art Museum Artsi](#) (picture below)
Guided tour to the international ceramic art exhibition curated by Jean Ramsay.



The visit is offered to us by the museum.

VANTAA
TAIDEMUSEO
ARTSI



**Vantaa
Kulttuurin**

- 5:00 pm We take the bus from Artsi to the last destination
- 5:30 pm **Opening of the Post Tour with a Garden Party!** Host is **Johanna Rytkölä**, ceramist IAC (in the picture on the right)



We visit home and studio of the host and continue the evening with the garden party, which includes a catered dinner and live music by Dance Orchestra "Kuunsilta"

- 9:00 pm Transport back to Helsinki with our private bus
- App. 9:30 pm Back at the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi address (Bulevardi 28, Helsinki)

Monday 3.8.2020

- 9 am: We meet in front of the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi (Bulevardi 28, Helsinki) and travel with our bus to the beautiful [Fiskars Village](#). Fiskars Village is known for its long tradition of craftsmanship, but it also has plenty to offer to visitors with an interest in more modern forms of design and art. The Village's numerous boutiques and workshops – not to mention the museum – provide interesting experiences with something for everyone.

- Arrival 11 am: to the [KWUM Ceramics museum](#).

KWUM means dream in Korean - in Fiskars it means Karin Widnäs Museum (picture below). We have a welcome toast and local ceramic artists present themselves to us.

We visit the exhibitions and also the home and ceramic studio of **Karin Widnäs** (in the picture on the right, photo by Rauno Träskelin), designed by architect Tuomo Siitonen.



- Lunch at 12:30 pm: [Restaurant Kuparipaja](#)

- 1:30 pm: Exploring the other local shops and summer exhibitions, walk to the center app. 15 minutes

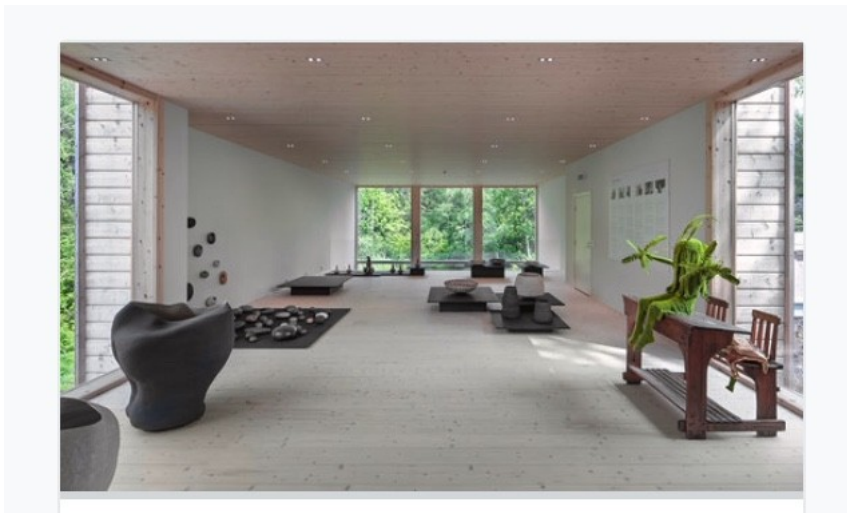
- 3:30 pm: Visiting the workshops of the artists

- 5:00 pm: Free time to get to know the area (nature, art and design) and spend time together

- 6:00 pm: Get together: dinner (Restaurant Kuparipaja), sauna and possibility to swim

- 8:30 pm: Travelling back to Helsinki (on our way there and back we take a short recreational break)

- app. 10:30 pm: We will be back in Helsinki, in front of the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi (Bulevardi 28, Helsinki)

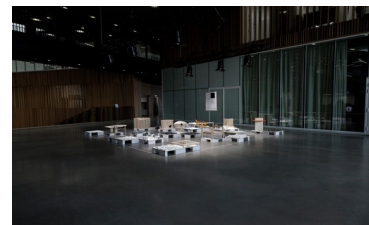


KWUM, Fiskars Village

Tuesday 4.8.2020

- 8:30 am: We meet in front of the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi (Bulevardi 28, Helsinki) and travel towards today's destinations; [Espoo](#) and [Turku](#)

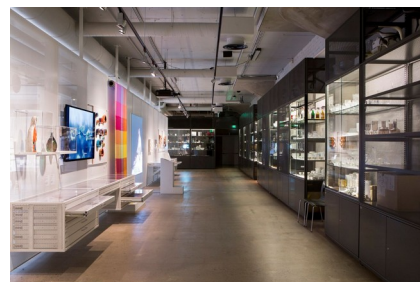
- 9:00 am: Arrival to the [Aalto University, Otaniemi Campus](#) in Espoo, to "Väre" (picture on the right), where we will see a ceramics exhibition by Aalto University students, faculty and alumni. Our host is ceramist IAC **Nathalie Lautenbacher** (in the picture).



- 11:00 am: With bus to the next venue, [Exhibition Centre WeeGee](#)
- From 11:15 am: Lunch at the [Lumière WeeGee](#)
- Welcome and greeting by



- After lunch: Visiting [EMMA – Espoo Museum of Modern Art](#): Presentation of the [Tapio Wirkkala Rut Bryk Foundation Collection](#), Visible Storage (Picture on the right: Bryk Wirkkala Visible Storage at EMMA, photo by Ella Tommila / EMMA).



Working in collaboration with the **Tapio Wirkkala Rut Bryk Foundation** and the City of Espoo, EMMA opened the Visible Storage and its one-of-a-kind collection by **Rut Bryk** and **Tapio Wirkkala** in 2017.

During our visit the exhibition stage surrounded by the **Bryk & Wirkkala** Visible Storage will also display an exhibition on ceramist **Michael Schilkin** (1900–1962). The Russian-born Schilkin

worked in Finland during 1935–1962 for Arabia's art department. He is famous particularly for his small ceramic animal figures. The exhibition is curated by contemporary artist, sculptor and ceramic artist **Lotta Mattila**, whose works will also be featured in the exhibition.

Time to explore the exhibitions in EMMA and mingle. Exhibition Centre WeeGee houses also other museums you can visit with the same ticket.

- 2 pm: We meet at the bus and continue towards Turku to Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art where we will have a private viewing.



- 16:45 pm: [The city of Turku](#) and the [Wäinö Aaltonen Museum of Art: Anu Pentik](#) Exhibition and meeting with the ceramic artist
- First a tasty soup dinner at Cafe Wäinö, then meeting with ceramic artist Anu Pentik (in the photo) in her exhibition
- 7:30 pm: Bus takes us back to Helsinki (we will take a short recreational break on the way back)
- app. 10 pm: Back in Helsinki (at Bulevardi 28 address)



Wednesday 5.8.2020: The Last Day Of The Post Tour

- 8:30 am: We meet in front of the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi (Bulevardi 28, Helsinki) and transport with our bus to the [Arabia Art Department Society](#) and [Iittala & Arabia Design Center](#).
- From 9 am to 11 am: Ceramist IAC **Pekka Paikkari** (in the picture on the right) presents the venue to us.



- Picture on the left is from Arabia Art Department

- Arabia Art Department was established in 1932 by artistic director Kurt Ekholm. He thought that the Finnish ceramics culture was to be developed and this task belonged to Arabia. Ekholm invited Kaj Franck to develop the product design. Franck rigidly believed to the interaction between art and design. This belief formed into a leading idea during the next decades. Several ceramics artists have worked in the Art Department such as Birger Kaipiainen, Toini Muona, Aune Siimes, Kyllikki Salmenhaara, Michael Schilkin and Rut Bryk.

- Arabia Art Department Society was established in November 2003. The main idea of the new society was to cherish and continue the cultural heritage of the Art Department. Pekka Paikkari, who we will meet, was one of the founder members.

- It is very special and rare that there is such a creative place like Art Department next to the factory where artists can concentrate on making art. This way unique art ceramics and design form a firm interaction.

One of the most important function of Art Department is to provide a place for artists where they can exchange thoughts and ideas. The main goal of the Art Department Society is to advance the status of ceramics art in the field of modern culture. It also aims at developing the Finnish culture and establish new contacts internationally through ceramics.

- 11 am: We continue towards [Voipaala Art Centre](#) in the city of [Valkeakoski](#)

- 1 pm: Arrival to Voipaala Art Centre.
Tasty lunch, including coffee and desert.

The Voipaala Manor in Sääksmäki dates back to the Middle Ages. The present buildings provide beautiful and pleasant premises for art exhibitions and art workshops. The Art Centre arranges exhibitions with selected artists throughout the year.



- 2 pm: We experience the **Ceramega 2020 Exhibition** at the Voipaala Art Centre, introduction by ceramist **Piela Auvinen**.

The Ceramega 2020 Exhibition is a national ceramic art exhibition that features works by different Finnish ceramic artists and also couple of Estonian ceramists this time. The theme 2020 is "Edge". Ceramega was first organized 1996.

- 3:30 pm: Our bus takes us back to Helsinki

- App. 6 pm: We arrive at the "Balassi-instituutti / Unkarin kulttuuri- ja tiedekeskus" ([Balassi Institute](#), Hungarian Cultural and Scientific Centre), Kaisaniemenkatu 10, Helsinki.

The location is in the center of Helsinki, close to many hotels and walking distance from for example the Lapland Hotels Bulevardi. If you have any questions about getting to your chozen accommodation later in the evening, do not hesitate to ask Johanna, your Post Tour organizer.



Exhibition opening and reception from 6 pm:

Title of the exhibition: "Borders". The topic of this exhibition of Hungarian IAC members is closely related to the theme given by the conference: "On the Edge"

Artists respond to the theme according to their own work.

Exhibiting Artists:

[Pálma Babos](#), [Sándor Dobány](#), [Mária Geszler-Garzuly](#),
[Jona Gudvardardottir](#), [Ágnes Husz](#), [Zsófia Karsai](#),
[Márta Nagy](#), [János Probstner](#), [Imre Schrammel](#), [Judit Varga](#)

Reception is offered by the embassy of Hungary. **The event closes the IAC Post Tour** and is organized for us by:



Balassi Institute
Hungarian Cultural and
Scientific Centre, Helsinki

End of IAC Post Tour Programme

Thursday 6.8.2020

Travel from Helsinki (booked independently by the participant), unless planning to stay longer.

Post Tour Price

Total price per participant is 746,60 € (incl. 24 % VAT)

The price includes the whole four day programme 2.8. to 5.8.2020 with above mentioned transports, meals and admission fees to the venues as well as guided tours and hosting.

Post Tour Programme participation can be cancelled by the participant before or at the latest 15.5.2020. If the minimum of participants (20) are not signed in by 31.5.2020 the *programme will be cancelled in June 2020*. The last day to sign in is 31.5.2020. The participant agrees to the cancellation policy upon the payment of the Post Tour Programme.

We (Johanna Wahlbeck Oy in co-operation with Åbergin Linja) reserve the right to make necessary changes to the programme (for example small changes in the schedules). Participants will be informed about the possible changes on a need to know basis.

