

Biography

Born in 1977 in Anykščiai, Lithuania.

Education

1984–1988 Studied at the Atžalynas Secondary School in Telšiai.

1988–1990 Studied at the Telšiai 6th Secondary School (presently Krantas School).

1990–1992 Studied at the Catholic Secondary School (presently Vincentas Borisevičius Gymnasium).

1992–1997 Studied Fashion Design at the Telšiai High School of Applied Art.

1997–2001 Studied Textiles at Vilnius Academy of Art (VAA).

2001–2003 MA (Textiles) at VAA.

2004–2007 Postgraduate studies at VAA. Received the qualification degree of art licentiate. Art project and thesis title: *The Relationship Of Modernity And Ethnic Tradition In Contemporary Lithuanian Textiles*.

Positions held

From 2005 Lecturer at the VAA Department of Textiles.

From 2008 Director of the VAA Textile gallery-studio Artifex.

Membership

From 2004 Member of the Lithuanian Artists' Union.

Grants received from:

2007 Grant of the International Art House Künstlerhaus Lukas. Ahrenshoopas, Germany.

2007, 2008, 2011 Grant of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania.

2009 Grant of the Nordic Council (Sleipnir programme).

Works in permanent collections of museums

Work „Every Stick has Two Ends“. (2012). Les Musees de la civilisation, Quebec, Canada

Work „Daily Bread Give to As Today...“. (2009). Les Musees de la civilisation, Quebec, Canada

Awards

1999 VAA professor emeritus Antanas Tamošaitis's 2nd award.

2003 3rd VAA award for MA dissertation.

Special award of the exhibition *The Right and the Wrong Side*.

2008 First award of the Textiles Biennial *City Signs*.

Solo exhibitions

2002 *Skin*. Akademija Gallery, Vilnius.

2003 *Softly About Football*. Lithuanian Football Federation's event, Forum Palace, Vilnius.

2004 *Softly About Football*. Klaipėda Gallery, Klaipėda.

Softly About Football. Exhibited during the live broadcast of the European Football Championship's finals. Vilnius concert and sports hall, Vilnius.

2005 *Beauty Must Live*. Akademija Gallery, Vilnius.

2005–2006 *Greetings on...* Vartai Gallery, Vilnius.

2006 *One Work Exhibition* (organised by Lithuanian Artists' Union) in the window of the Art Department of Vilnius College, Vilnius.

2007 *Soft View*. Šiauliai University's Art Gallery, Šiauliai.

3 + 3. *Young Art From Three Countries*. Neues Kunsthau Ahrenshoop, Ahrenshoop, Germany.

3 + 3. *Young Art From Three Countries*. Ystad Art Museum, Ystad, Sweden.

A Path Strewn With Roses. Meno Parkas Gallery, Kaunas.

2008

Installation *A Path Strewn With Roses* in the framework of the project *Art in Unexpected Spaces* (part of the Vilnius – European Capital of Culture programme) Vilnius.

A Path Strewn With Roses. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

2010 *Extraordinary Routine*. Part of the Thomas Mann festival. Virginija and Kazimieras Mizgiris' Artists' House, Nida.

2012 *Autumn Harvest*. SamogitiART Gallery, Telšiai.

Selected group exhibitions

2001

International textile exhibition *Traditions and Innovations*. Latvian National Museum of Art's Exhibition Hall Arsenal, Riga, Latvia.

International textile exhibition *Soft World*. Mykolas Žilinskas Art Gallery, Kaunas.

Contemporary Lithuanian Textile. Art and Culture Centre Caermersklooster, Ghent, Belgium.

2002–2003 *Parallel Progressions 3*. Contemporary Art Centre, Vilnius.

2003 International exhibition *Black and White*. Art Academy of Latvia, Riga, Latvia.

2005

New Lithuanian Textile. Körnerpark Gallery, Berlin, Germany.

New Lithuanian Textile. Museum of Decorative Arts and Design, Riga, Latvia.

Kaunas Art Biennial *Textile 05*. Mykolas Žilinskas Art Gallery, Kaunas.

2006

Exhibition of contemporary Lithuanian painting and textile *Spaces of Metaphysics*. Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia.

Exhibition of Estonian and Lithuanian textile *Needles and Pins*. Estonian Museum of Applied Art and Design, Tallinn, Estonia.

4th Tallinn Applied Art Triennial *Two Close Ones*. Estonian Museum of Applied Art and Design, Tallinn, Estonia.

2007

Kaunas art biennial *Textile 07*. Mykolas Žilinskas Art Gallery, Kaunas.

Art for Sustainability. Abbekås Gallery, Abbekåsas; Lund University, Lund, Sweden.

International mini textile art exhibition *Weaving Time*. Como, Italy.

2008

3rd Lithuanian Art Biennial *City Signs*. Arka Gallery, Vilnius.

International Textile exhibition *Cloth & Culture Now*. Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester; Sainsbury Art Centre, Norwich, Great Britain.

Lithuanian textile exhibition *Textile Kunst aus Litauen*. Women's Museum, Bonn, Germany.

2009

Cloth & Culture Now – Lithuania. Lithuanian Embassy in the UK, London.

Lithuanian and Austrian artist exchange project *Salzburg–Litauen*. Traklhaus Gallery, Salzburg, Austria.

International exhibition *Strich & Faden – Heimat, Folklore & Travesty*. Kunstraum Richard Sorge, Berlin, Germany.

International textile exhibition *It Is Beautiful Here*. Fiskars, Finland.

2nd Lithuanian Contemporary Art Quadrennial. Lithuanian Exhibition and Convention Centre Litexpo, Vilnius.

Food in Art. Traklhaus Gallery, Salzburg, Austria.

7th International Kaunas Biennial *Textile 09*. Kaunas Picture Gallery, Kaunas.

Cheongju International Craft Biennial *Pressing Matter*. Cheongju, South Korea.

2010

A Table Full of Art. Voorburg Visual Arts Foundation Gallery, Voorburg, Netherlands.

Vilnius (European Capital of Culture) in Gdansk. PiTiPa Gallery, Gdansk, Poland.

Textile design exhibition *Connected by the Past*. Hop gallery, Tallinn, Estonia.

12th international textile triennial. Central Textile Museum, Łódź, Poland. Selected to represent Lithuania.

Beijing international art biennial. National Art Museum of China, Beijing, China. Selected to represent Lithuania.

2011

International exhibition *Similar Threads*. Mostyn Gallery, Llandudno, Great Britain.

Lithuanian textile exhibition *Lithuania is the Best – 2*. Cex Contemporary Art Gallery, Kiev, Ukraine.

International competitive exhibition of miniature textile *A Day of Happiness*. My Own Gallery, Milano, Italy; Hôtel de Ville de Montrouge, Paris, France; Palazzo Mocenigo, Venice, Italy.

Lithuanian textile exhibition *Passionate Lithuanian Textile*. Headquarters of the European Commission in Brussels (Berlaymont), Brussels, Belgium.

2012

International exhibition *Knitting and Stitching Show*. Alexandra Palace, London; Milton Keynes Gallery, Milton Keynes, Great Britain.

International textile exhibition *Needleworks*. Handwerk Gallery, Munich, Germany.

International Competitive Contemporary Art Biennial *JCE. The Young European Artists Network*. Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso Museum, Amarante, Portugal; Kunsthau Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany; Bratislava City Gallery, Bratislava, Slovakia; Zsolnay Kulturális Negyed, Pécs, Hungary; La Fabrique, Paris, France.

International exhibition *Source of Light*. Latvian National Museum of Art, Riga, Latvia.

Inčirauškai Project – 40. Šiauliai Art Gallery, Šiauliai.

2013

Contemporary Lithuanian textile exhibition *From a Statement to a Monument*. Lithuanian Culture Centre at the Lithuanian Embassy in Warsaw, Poland.

Contemporary Lithuanian textile exhibition *LTextile*. Philadelphia Art Alliance, Philadelphia, USA.

International Competitive Contemporary Art Biennial *JCE. The Young European Artists Network*. Amadeo de Souza-Cardoso Museum, Amarante, Portugal.

Portneuf International Flax Biennial *Biens de famille*. Quebec, Canada.

Art fairs

2009

Crafts fair *Creativa*. Messe Westfalenhallen Dortmund, Dortmund, Germany.

International Gallery Fair *6th Berliner Kunstsalon*. Berlin, Germany. (Featured by Kunstraum Richard Sorge Gallery).

2013

International applied art fair *Craft Show*. Philadelphia Art Museum, Philadelphia, USA.

Conferences, symposiums

2005

International interdisciplinary artists' convention and symposium/conference *Europe, Artists, Open Your Heart as a Carpet*, organized by the European Council of Artists. Garikula, Georgia.

2008-11-28

Presentation at the international interdisciplinary conference *Art and the Construction of Identity*. Whitworth Art Gallery, Manchester, Great Britain.

2009

International conference *Textile and Clothing Design Programmes and Their Change*, organized by the Cumulus association. Estonian Academy of Arts, Tallinn, Estonia.

2011-11-11

Presentation titled *The First Decade of Creative Work. Remarks and Comments. Chronological Presentation of Personal Work. Main Ideas, Strategies, Inspirations* at the conference/seminar *My Territory: The Feminine Space in Art*, organized by Vilnius Academy of Art and the Lithuanian section of the International Association of Art Critics. VAA, Vilnius.

2011-09-24

Presentation titled *Space for Young Artists – Textile Gallery ARTIFEX / Vilnius Academy of Arts* at the international conference *Rewind into the Future: Celebrating the ETN's 20th anniversary*, organized by the European Textile Network. Kaunas.

2013-01-29

Presentations at the Estonian Academy of Arts: 1. *Presentation of textile artist Severija Inčirauskaitė-Kriaunevičienė's creative work (ten-year retrospective)*; 2. *Teaching subjects and methods in Textile Department / Vilnius Academy of Arts*; 3. *Exhibition space for young artists – „Artifex“ Textile Gallery / Vilnius Academy of Arts*. Tallinn, Estonia.

Curatorial work

2009

Initiator and curator of the textile design project *Via Baltia*. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

2009, 2010, 2012

Initiator and curator of the international experimental visual art and animation projects *Textile Movements*, *Textile Movements II*, *Textile Movements III*. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

2010

Curator of Zsofi Pittmann's (Hungary) solo exhibition *Dwarves, mushrooms and 3D Jesus*. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

2011

Initiator and curator of the international project *Leading in the Baltics Again? Estonian Smart Textile*. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

Initiator and curator of the international project *Male Textile*. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

Initiator and curator of the international project *Stitches Between the Lines*. VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex, Vilnius.

2012

Curator of the showcase of the VAA Textile Gallery-Studio Artifex at the 3rd Vilnius international gallery fair *ArtVilnius '12*. Artifex was selected as the best gallery of *ArtVilnius '12*.