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PROFILE

I hold a Bachelor of Design/Glass and History of Art and Design (hons) from the National College of Art and Design Dublin. Since graduating I have worked as an assistant glass blower and studio manager throughout Denmark and Germany, Finland and at Pilchuck Glass School. I design and make both functional and artistic glass utilising numerous hot glass processes including blowing, hot sculpting, hot casting and lamp work. In 2018 I was awarded the Future Makers Emerging Maker Overall Winner Award from the Design and Crafts Council of Ireland. Currently I drive my own brand Aoife Soden Glass.

EDUCATION

- 2012-2013** Leonardo Da Vinci PLM Work Placement, Nyholm Cantrell Glass, Denmark.
- 2008-2012** Bachelor of Design Glass and History of Art and Design 1st class honours, National College of Art and Design, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2011 (5mth)** International Exchange Student, Southern Illinois University, Illinois, USA.
- 1998-2001** Bachelor of Education, Queensland University of Technology, Australia.
- 1993-1996** Bachelor of Teaching, Australian Catholic University, Brisbane, Australia.

SELECTED EXHIBITIONS

- 2019** Painters and Makers, So Fine Art Editions, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2019** Inherent Agitations Solo Exhibition, End Of The Line Gallery, Aarhus Denmark.
- 2019** Aarhus Makers Fine Art Exhibition/Gallery Opening, Skejby Park Gallery, Denmark.
- 2018** Function & Dysfunction Solo Exhibition, The Old Mill Grenaa, Denmark.
- 2017** Ireland Glass Biennial, National College of Art and Design, Dublin Ireland.
- 2017** Efteårsudstilling Hammer Gallery, Vodskov Denmark, (October 2017)
- 2017** International Biennial of Glass Bulgaria, Various Locations, Bulgaria.
- 2017** Århus Universitethospital, Risskov, Denmark.
- 2016** Fussingoslot Kunsthåndværkere Udstiller, Fussingoslot, Randers, Denmark.
- 2015/2016** Solas, Glass Society of Ireland Curated Exhibition, Greyfriars Municipal Gallery, Waterford, Hunt Gallery, Limerick, National College of Art and Design, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2015** Vejle Kunstforening Juleudstilling, Vejle, Denmark.
- 2014** Irish Wave, Shanghai, China.
- 2013** Gather, Shanghai Xuhai Art Museum, Shanghai, China.
- 2012** 1001 Artists Digital Project: Art Takes Miami, USA.
- 2012** Sculpture in Context, National Botanical Gardens, Dublin, Ireland. Nomination Pilchuck 'Corning Incorporated Scholarship', USA.
- 2012** R.D.S Student Art Awards, Dublin, Riverbank Arts Centre, Newbridge, Ireland.
- 2012** R.D.S National Craft Competition, RDS Concert Hall, Dublin.
- 2012** The Flaneur: Recent Graduates, Oliver Cornet Gallery, Dublin.
- 2012** National College of Art and Design Graduate Exhibition, National College of Art and Design, Dublin, Ireland.
- 2012** Art Shanghai 2012, Honggiao New Town Central, Shanghai, China.

- 2012 Engaging With Glass: Contemporary Irish Glass Artists, Travel Gallery, Seattle, USA.
- 2012 Elements, Shingling Gallery, Shanghai, China.
- 2011 Illuminating Glass, The Kenny Gallery, Galway, Ireland.
- 2011 Engaging With Glass: Contemporary Irish Glass Artists, Solstice Arts Centre, Ireland.
- 2011 Glass Likes Metal, Gallery Zozimus, Dublin, Ireland.

EMPLOYMENT

- 2018 Freelance Glass Assistant & Owner Maker @ Aoife Soden Glass
- 2015-2018 Studio Manager /Coordinator/Glassblower Ebeltoft Glass Museum, Denmark.
- 2013 -2018 Short Term Glassblowing Assistant, Tchai Munch: Ebeltoft Glass, Trine Drivsholm: Mohl Drivsholm Glass, Raven Skyriver, Jeannet Iskandar.
- 2014 (2mth) Glassblower Wilfried Marcus Glass Studio, Rheinfelden, Germany.
- 2013-2015 Glassblowing Assistant, Ebeltoft Glass Museum, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2013-2014 Glassblowing Assistant, PUST Glas, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2013 (6mth) Glassblowing Assistant, Nyholm Cantrell Glass, Aarhus, Denmark
- 2012 Short-term Glassblowing Assistant, Dam Karlslund Glass, Ebeltoft, Denmark.

PROFESSIONAL GLASS/ART EXPERIENCE

- 2017 Matt Durren, Glass Heap Challenge, Teaching Assistant, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2016 De La Torre Brothers Ebeltoft Glasmuseet Residency, Glassblowing Assistant, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2016 Tobias Mohl, Studio Demonstration Assistant, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2016 Raven Skyriver & Ned Cantrell, Studio Demonstration Assistant, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2015 Jack Wax, Teaching Assistant, Ebeltoft Glass Museum, Denmark.
- 2014 Pilchuck Glass School, TA, James Harmon & Brynhildur Borgeirsdóttir, USA.
- 2014 Pilchuck Glass School, Teaching Assistant, Roisin De Buitlear, USA.
- 2013 Raven Skyriver, Studio Demonstration Assistant, Ebeltoft, Denmark.
- 2012 Ned Cantrell, Teaching Assistant, Engelsholm Hoejskole, Denmark.

WORKSHOPS

- 2018 Raven Skyriver Catching The Sense of Motion, Bornholm, Denmark
- 2016 Sally McCubbin, Pilchuck Glass School , Student, Glassblowing 2.0, USA.
- 2015 Rudy Faulkner, Get Your Goblet On, Berlin Glass, Berlin, Germany.
- 2014 Tim Edwards and Mel Douglas, Mapping The Surface, Pilchuck Glass School, USA.
- 2010 Jennifer Halvorson, Press Mold Casting, Southern Illinois University, USA.

SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS/RESIDENCIES

- 2016 Future Maker Emerging Artist Overall Winner, Ireland
- 2016 Nuutajärvi Artist In Residence, Nuutajärvi, Finland.
- 2016 Finn Lunggard Award, Glasmuseets Venner, Denmark.
- 2014 Nomination Pilchuck 'Corning Incorporated Scholarship', USA.
- 2013 Thomas Dammann Junior Award Recipient: Research and Travel Grant, Ireland.
- 2012 Leonardo Da Vinci PLM Work Placement Scholarship, EU Scholarship.
- 2012 Shortlisted Future Makers Residency Grant.
- 2012 Thesis Commendation, National College of Art and Design Dublin, Ireland.

COLLECTIONS/STOCKISTS

Collection of Nuntajärvi Glass Museum, Nuutajärvi, Finland.

Collection of Gangtai Art Museum of Shanghai Gang Tai Cultural Development Co Ltd. Museum Boutique, Ebeltoft Glass Museum, Ebeltoft, Denmark.

Nr 4 Boutique, Aarhus, Denmark.

So Fine Art Editions, Dublin Ireland.

Blue Egg Gallery, County Wexford Ireland

Cill Rialaig Arts Centre, County Kerry, Ireland

Aarhus Makers Collective

ASSOCIATIONS

Glass Society of Ireland, Craft Council of Ireland, GLASNET Danish Glass Association, Dansk Kunsthåndværker & Designere.

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