name: Silja Puranen

dob: 1961

education:

1987 Textile Design, The Kuopio Institute for Art and Design

recent exhibitions include:

2010	LA GALERIA, Barcelona, Spain (solo)
2009	Nordic Award in Textiles, Textile Museum, Borås Sweden (solo)
	TEXTILE 09, Kaunas Art Biennial, Lithuania
	It is Beautiful Here, Fiskars Village Finland
2008-09	OTTO, Artists O association, Vantaa Art Museum Finland, Circule de Bellas Artes Madrid, Spain
2008	CLOTH AND CULTURE NOW, Sainsbury Centre for Visual Arts, Norwich, UK
2007	LA GALERIA, Barcelona, Spain (solo)
	TEXTILE 07 Kaunas Art Biennial, Lithuania
	3rd European Triennial Textile and Fibre Art "Tradition and Innovation", Riga, Latvia
	Zauber des Fadens – Fibre Art Today, Galerie Handwerk Munich, Germany

awards, commission and collections:

2009	Nordic Award in Textiles, Sweden
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- 2007 3rd European Triennial Textile and Fibre Art "Tradition and Innovation", Special Prize of the Riga City Council, Latvia
- 2006 ARTTEX, Trienále Textilu 2006, The prize of the City Liptovský Mikuláš, Slovakia
- 2003 4th International Textile Art Exhibition,3rd prize, Kaunas, Lithuania
- 2000 WCC-Europe Award for Contemporary Crafts

The Museum of Contemporary Art KIASMA, Helsinki, Finland Abecita Corsettfabrik Konstmuseum, Sweden Borås Textile Museum, Sweden The Museum of Fine Arts and Lace, Calais, France MIAAO, Museo Internazionale Delle Arti Applicate Oggi, Turin, Italy Kustaankartano Old People's Centre / Helsinki City Art Museum, Finland The state art collection of Finland

future projects:

2010	Dartboard for Witches, Aberystwyth Arts Centre, UK
	3rd International Art Festival "Structures of Connections", Kraków, Poland
2011	Galleria Katariina, Helsinki, Finland (solo)