

Giorgos Vavatsis

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Giorgos Vavatsis was born in Thessaloniki, Greece, in 1974. He studied Visual & Live Art in Gloucestershire University, in England from 1995 to 1998. In 2000, he returned at his hometown and he established his own workshop, where he still works. His ceramic works has been shown in several solo and group exhibitions in Greece and abroad. He participated in 12 ceramic symposiums around Europe and Asia. In 2012, he won the 1st prize in the 50th Panhellenic Ceramic Competition. From 2002 until today he teaches ceramics in Museums and Art Schools in Northern Greece and in his own workshop. In 2013, he established the ceramic production company, «Hakah Ceramics Design Production», specialized in stoneware table and drink wares. In 2017, he creates a project space named “6exi”, where national and international invited artists expose their work in the public of Thessaloniki. He is a member of Chamber of Fine Arts of Greece since 2011 and of Artaxis.com since 2018.

About

1974: Born in Thessaloniki, Greece.
1995-1998: BA "Visual & Live Art", Cheltenham & Gloucester C.H.E., UK
2000: Establishment of pottery studio in Thessaloniki, Greece
2013: Establishes «Hakah Ceramics Design Production», Thessaloniki, Greece.
2015: Establishes www.ceramics-camp.com with Kostas Karakitsos in Kavala, Greece.
2017: Establishes «6 exi – Contemporary Ceramics», Thessaloniki, Greece

Teaching

2017: Minerals and clay seminar, Patras, Greece
2015
– up to now: Organizer – Instructor of “Ceramics Camp”, Avramilia, Greece
2014: Pottery summer seminars for kids, "Santorini of the Past Cultural Village & Museum”, Santorini, Greece
2013: European training programme “KERAMIKH”, KETHEA, Thessaloniki
2010- 2012: Workshop of Visual Arts, Municipality of P.Mela, Thessaloniki, Greece
2002-2010: Workshop of Visual Arts of Kilkis, Greece

- 2009: Pottery seminars for kids, GREEK STATE MUSEUM, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2006-2007: Pottery seminars for kids, MACEDONIAN MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2000-2004: Workshop of Visual Arts of Stavroupoli, Thessaloniki, Greece

Solo Exhibitions

- 2014: "Art Windows OTE", Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2013: "About a bowl", Vouleftiko, Nafplio, Greece
- 2012: VOULEFTIKON, Nafplion, Greece
- 2010: ORFEOS 20ART Gallery, Xanthi, Greece
- 2010: "In memory of - revising", M-ART SPACE Gallery, Athens, Greece
- 2009: "In memory of", LOLA NIKOLAOU Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2007: LOLA NIKOLAOU Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece (in participation with Liliana Sebec)
- 2002: ZEFXIS Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece

Group Exhibitions

- 2020: "3rd International Visual Culture Exhibition (IVCE#3) – VIRTUALIZATION MOVEMENT", Faculty of Fine Arts and Designs of Universitas Sebelas Maret, Surakarta, Indonesia
- 2019: "5th Ceramic Exhibition", Kerameon Ixni, Patras, Greece
- 2019: "Five Greek Ceramic Artists in Paris", Chris Boicos Fine Arts, Paris, France
- 2019: "Vanities and Still Lives", Chris Boicos Fine Arts, Paris, France
- 2019: «Ceramics is...», Genesis Gallery, Athens, Greece
- 2018: "4 Elements", Lola Nikolaou Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2018: "Earth, Wind & Fire", Chris Boicos Gallery, Paxoi, Greece
- 2018: "TRIO", D'art Gallery, Instabul, Turkey
- 2017: "Tea Invitation", RO Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2017: "Delphi", Archeological Museum of Delphi, Greece
- 2017: "Diversities", Balkan Art Gallery, Xanthi, Greece
- 2016: "5 Ceramists on Paxos Island", Chris Boicos gallery, Paxoi, Greece.
- 2016: "Wine Spirit", Casa Bianca, Thessaloniki, Greece.
- 2015: "TORA", Alma Contemporary Art Gallery, Trikala, Greece.
- 2015: "53d Panhellenic Ceramics Competition", Athens, Greece - Invited artists
- 2015: "Epiroes" – Troupakis Tower, Old Kardamili, Kalamata, Greece
- 2014: "Kerameon Ihni, the beginning", Arheological Museum of Patra, Patra, Greece
- 2013: Kunst im BLAUEN HAUS, Frankfurt, Germany
- 2013: "Food for tools", LOLA NIKOLAOU Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece (in cooperation with Ektoras Mavridis)
- Oct 2012: "50th Panhellenic Ceramics Competition" Athens-Greece, **1st prize - "Floral expansion"**
- Jun 2012: "Metabasis", M-ART AEGINA Gallery, Aegina, Greece
- 2011: "100% Greek Design", M-ART SPACE Gallery, Athens, Greece

- 2010: "Holly Art", LOLA NIKOLAOU Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece
 2010: "Art to Use", LOLA NIKOLAOU Gallery, Thessaloniki, Greece
 2009: M-ART SPACE Gallery, Athens, Greece
 2009: "Ana-Kata", TSAKIRIS CULTURAL CENTER, Thessaloniki, Greece
 2005: "Fabrika Fabiana", URBAN MAGUSAR gallery, Radovljica, Slovenia
 2005: "Art Symposium", Skyros, Greece
 2004: "European Ceramics Competition", Marousi-Athens, Greece
 2003: "Art Action Field Kodra", Thessaloniki, Greece
 2003: "Potters of Thessaloniki", ALATZA IMARET, Thessaloniki, Greece
 2003: "Italian and Greek Ceramics", Faenza, Italy
 2002-2003: "Artigianato Ceramica Moderna, Italy (Pesaro) – Slovenia (Ljubljana) – Greece (Kilkis)
 2003: "44th Panhellenic Ceramics Exhibition", (2nd merit award), Athens
 1998: "The Pittville Connection", Reynolds Warehouse, Gloucester, UK

Symposiums

- 2020: "15th International Visual Arts Workshop and Exhibition in Thailand", Bangkok, Thailand
 2019: "14th International Visual Arts Workshop and Exhibition in Thailand", Bangkok, Thailand
 2017: "3rd International Eskisehir Odunpazari Workshop of Ceramic Firing Techniques", Eskisehir, Turkey
 2017: "V International Mediterranean Terracotta Symposium", Cyprus
 2016: "IV International Mediterranean Terracotta Symposium", Cyprus
 2015: "2nd International Colony of Ceramic Art" – Varbonj, Croatia
 2015: "Symposium of Byzantine Ceramics" – Troupakis Tower, Old Kardamili, Kalamata, Greece
 2014: "Vounaria 2014" – Wood fire kiln building, Koroni, Greece
 2011: "Earth & Water III", Avramilia, Kavala, Greece
 2010: "Earth & Water", Avramilia, Kavala, Greece
 2003-2007: "Fabrika Fabiana", Radovljica, Slovenia
 2002: "Art.Ce.Mo.", European Ceramic Project (Italy, Slovenia, Greece), Pesaro, Italy

Collections

- POH-CHANG ACADEMY OF ART, Bangkok, Thailand
 ODUNPAZARI MUNICIPALITY, Eskisehir, Turkey
 BEDESTEN, Nicosia, Cyprus.
 MUSEI CIVICI DI PESARO, Pesaro, Italy
 MOHAMED ALI Institute, Kavala, Greece
 MAROUSI Municipality Building, Marousi, Athens, Greece.