



KAJSA WILLNER  
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STUDIO KAJSA WILLNER is a cross-disciplinary design studio with work that varies from products on commission, installations, interior design, studio production, as curator and exhibition architect and with initiating new projects in collaboration with other organizations or partners.

Kajsa's world aims at creating bespoke ideas, concepts and objects that will touch people.

Kajsa has showcased her work nationally and internationally in both solo and group exhibitions in furniture fairs, Design Weeks, gallery exhibitions and museums. She has experience from studying and working in Italy (Milan and Rome), The Netherlands (Eindhoven) for Julien Carretero and JSPR.

Kajsa has won prestigious awards, her latest A DESIGN AWARD in 2017 with Layers, awarded artist in residence to Centre of Polish Sculpture in Oronsko. Kajsa was part of the exhibition What matter\_s where 10 designers + 10 material scientists were paired up to work together for 6 months. The result was first shown at Dutch design week 2018. In 2019 Kajsa presented her commissioned work for Designmuseum Danmark in a curated exhibition during CHART ART and DESIGN. Later that year Willner and Swedese launched their collaboration of site specific furniture pieces for the re-opening of Hallands Konstmuseum in a curation by Jenny Nordberg. In 2020 Willner and Stora Enso Nymölla (Paper industry) will launch their collaboration on developing a new material and application from the companies waste/residue from the Industry.

Kajsa Willner's core and greatest interest as a designer is to experiment with materials, colour, form, function and storytelling of an object or concept, which often is reflected in her studio production.

In addition to that Kajsa focusses her work on finding new ways for her studio to apply the design process and "design thinking" in a larger context as a tool to solve micro- and macro problems related to a citizen/customer/user in today's society, this rather than only focussing on physical products.

**Exhibitions (selection)**

*Upcoming*

2020

What matters 2.0

2019

Crossover Lounge by Adorno Gallery in collaboration with MENU | London design festival | Polarized Collection  
New Collection - Polarized Portraits | Adorno Gallery |  
CURIO Matter rethinking Materials | Designmuseum Danmark and CHART ART | Site specific piece - Polarized  
Portrait |  
What Matters curated exhibition | Materialresearcher + Designer | Form design / center | Polarized Portraits  
Skogen by Kampman curated exhibition | Polarized Portraits | Stockholm design week | OBAREN

2018

What Matters curated exhibition | Materialresearcher + Designer | Dutch design week | Polarized Portraits  
MOS - Matter of stuff pop-up Gallery | London design festival | Cork stool / table  
TYPEO curated exhibition | Oboy hotel Malmö | LAYERS, KOL, Recycle rug  
TYPEO curated exhibition | Oboy hotel Malmö | Dressed in clay  
What's your DNA? | 3daysofdesign Copenhagen | Swedish Ambassadors Residence | Curator & Exhibition  
Architect

2017

Designer of the month | Form design / center | Dressed in clay  
What's your DNA? | Dutch design week | Curator and Exhibition Architect  
Swedish Ambassadors residence | London design festival = Nomad, Curator and Stylist for reception  
Form design / center | Summer exhibition | Layers, Cork stool / table, Dressed in clay, The walls have ears,  
Paper basket  
Expo Como A Design Award | Ceremony and winner exhibition, Comolake | Layers  
Probs by Kampmann | Stockholm furniture fair | Curated exhibition in gallery/showroom | Layers, Kol project,  
The walls have ears, paper basket, Cork stool / table

2016

Swedish pavillion London design week | Curated exhibition: Welcome to weden | Layers  
Swedish style in Tokyo | Tokyo design week | Curated exhibition: Welcome to Weden | Layers

2015-2016

Den Nya Kartan | Traveling exhibition Rhööiska museet, National museum, Form design / center, Vandalrum  
Kol project

2014-2016

Ung Svensk Form 14 | Travelling exhibition Arkdes, Stockholm Furniture fair, Rhööiska museet, Form design /  
center, Stilwerk; Berlin, Dusseldorf Snickerboa chair  
Formgalleriet elleroch | Curated exhibition: 2014:1 | Snickerboa chair, Table

2013

Gallery Pascale | Solo exhibition | Add & Subtract  
Mixed work – 1 month

2011

Liljevalchs | 100 år Hemslöjd  
Recycle rug

2010

Arte Km Feltro | Curated Touring exhibition in Italy | Graduation project

### Grants & accomplishments (selection)

2019

1 year Ateljé scholarship | Malmö kulturnämnd  
Travel scholarship | Konstnärsnämnden

2018

Conformation mission inspirational sketching fee | Hallands Konstmuseum sculpture park

2017

Bronze winner | A Design Award  
Layers

2016

Artist in residence | Oronsko Polish center of Sculpture (1month)

2015

Projekt grant | Malmö Kulturförvaltning | = NOMAD a joint project with Stoft studio

2014

Nominee | Ung Svensk Form  
Comission | Fagerhult | Selected to design Crystal Clear Prize

2012

Winner | SLUG contest

2011

Grant | Estrid Ericssons Stiftelse

2006 – 2009

3 - years Scholarship | Istituto di Europeo di design

### Curatorial / Exhibition Architecture

2019

Skåne Design Stories | Saltimporten | Curator and Set - designer for dinner

2018

Whats your DNA? | 3 days of design | Swedish embassy Copenhagen | Curator & Exhibition Architect

2017

Whats your DNA ?| Southern Sweden Creatives | Dutch Design week | Curator & Exhibition Architect  
Whats your DNA ?| Southern Sweden Creatives | Form design / center | Curator & Exhibition Architect  
Swedish Ambassadors Residence | = NOMAD | London design week | Curator & Stylist for reception

2016

= NOMAD | Form design / center | Curator with Jenny Ekdahl  
= NOMAD designcaravan | Project initiator, design and concept developer with Stoft studio

2014

Made with many | Malmö Cooking | Dinner with friends pop-up restaurant | Lightinstallations & Interiordesigner  
A Christmas Bazaar | Disk | Form design / center | Curator and Display design

## Commission

2019

Gestaltning av alla bord till hörsalen/café | Hallands Art Museum  
Site specific piece for the exhibition Matters-Rethinking Materials | Designmuseum Danmark  
Selected designer for assigned job collaboration| What matter\_s 2.0 | 6 design studios + 6 Industrial companies

2018

Sketch assignment | Hallands Art Museum | Sculpture park for the museum  
Selected designer for assigned job collaboration | What matter\_s | 10 designers + 10 materialforskare

2017

Selected designer for assigned job collaboration| Welcome to weden | Utveckling av designprojekt som bidrag till den Svenska Paviljongen på London design Bienal

2015

Selected designer for assigned job collaboration | Den Nya Kartan | Utveckling av designprojekt till vandringsutställning

2014

Assigned to design a prize | Fagerhult

## Tutoring/ Lectures / Workshops

2019

Design Talk | CHART ART | Moderator Johanna Agerman Ross founder of Disegno  
Lecture + Portfolio review | Linné Universitetet Kalmar + Växjö Design + Change program  
Panel discussion | Material depot Form design / center | Moderator Yasmin Arhan Modéer  
Design Lectures with following workshops | Malmö Folkhögskola

2018

Inspirational Lecture | Architecture days at Form design / center | invited by S-P-O-K  
Panel discussion - Synergies between design, movies and computer games på Media Evolution | Southern Sweden Creatives  
Inspirational Lecture | 040 | Varvstaden | Invited by Nina Warnolf  
Design Lectures with following workshops | Malmö Folkhögskola

2017

Inspirational Lecture and presentation of curation | Whats your DNA? på Form design / center  
Tau Learning | Interior design Teacher

2015-2017

Pauli school gymnasium | Design 1 course, teacher

2016

What's your DNA? Introduction Lecture | Form design / center + Southern Sweden Creatives  
Workshop bygg din egna designvagn | Form design / center | Malmö Festival

2012

Recycle, 3dagars workshop | 100 års Hemslöjd | Liljevalchs  
Lecture Studio Kajsa Willner | Falkenbergers museum

## Press (urval)

2019

Elle decoration in print | Autum number with female swedish designers |  
Husk Designblog | <https://huskdesignblog.com/en/london-design-festival-2019/>  
Sydsvenskan (Swedish News Paper ) | [https://www.sydsvenskan.se/2019-09-16/chart-vacker-konstsamlar-nas-begar?fbclid=IwAR2YeHOTNed6bOgQ1sYvIKQX\\_q4x\\_vbloxGEzbqsAL1nhx6YeE16s6xzyiU](https://www.sydsvenskan.se/2019-09-16/chart-vacker-konstsamlar-nas-begar?fbclid=IwAR2YeHOTNed6bOgQ1sYvIKQX_q4x_vbloxGEzbqsAL1nhx6YeE16s6xzyiU)  
Danish Design Review | <http://danishdesignreview.com/kbhnotes/tag/Designmuseum+Danmark>  
Material District NL | <https://materialdistrict.com/article/aesthetics-disposable-plastic/>  
Trendstefan I Stockholm design week | <http://trendstefan.se/2019/02/08/stockholm-design-week-2019/>  
Southern Sweden Creatives | <https://southernswedencreatives.com/roster/studio-kajsa-willner/>

2018

Stylus | <https://www.stylus.com/zqhgzbz>  
Trendland | <https://trendland.com/what-matter-kajsa-willner/>  
Frameweb | <https://www.frameweb.com/news/what-matters-exhibition-ddw-2018>  
TL Magazine | What matter\_s curated show presented at DDW18 | Polarized portraits | [https://tlmagazine.com/what-matter\\_s-dutch-design-week-2018/](https://tlmagazine.com/what-matter_s-dutch-design-week-2018/)  
Mocosubmit | <https://mocosubmit.com/polarized-portraits-by-kajsa-willner/>  
Anniversary magazine | <https://www.anniversary-magazine.com/all/make-it-malmo-designed-and-curated-by-typeo>  
Danish Design Review | <http://john-heward.squarespace.com/kbhnotes?offset=1527342180482>  
Anniversary magazine | <https://www.anniversary-magazine.com/all/2018/5/26/the-dream-about-midsummer>  
Typeo Journal | <http://journal.typeo.se/make-it-malmo-lagdager-pop-up-hotel-room-malmo-sweden>

2017

TL Magazine | Som kurator | <https://tlmagazine.com/whats-your-dna-malmo/>  
Oak | What's your DNA? | As Curator  
Form Magazine | Whats your DNA?  
Material Soul | <http://materialsoul.com/caravan-nomad-stoft-studio/?lang=en>  
ISSUU | [https://issuu.com/markstudholme/docs/top\\_10\\_interior\\_design\\_trends\\_2017](https://issuu.com/markstudholme/docs/top_10_interior_design_trends_2017)

2016

Design Daily | <https://www.designdaily.com.au/blog/2016/10/london-design-festival-2016-part-2>  
Sight Unseen | <http://www.sightunseen.com/2016/09/best-2016-london-design-festival/>  
Sydsvenskan | <https://www.sydsvenskan.se/2016-09-07/de-vill-fa-snurr-pa-lokal-formgivning>  
Residence | <http://www.residencemagazine.se/hanna-listar-veckans-10-framsta-inredningsnyheter-2/>  
Interior design | <http://www.interiordesign.net/articles/12595-swedish-designer-manufacturer-team-make-cnc-cut-layers-tables/>

2015

Sight Unseen | <http://www.sightunseen.com/2015/12/week-of-december-7-2015/>  
Moco loco | <http://mocosubmit.com/cole-by-kajsa-willner/>  
Polyhead | <http://polyhead.tumblr.com/post/133463669522>  
Magasinet rum | <http://magasinetrumdesign.se/blog/2015/12/08/att-rita-om-kartan-lokal-produktion-och-konsumtion/>  
Kurbits | <http://www.kurbits.nu/tag/kajsa-willner/>  
SVT | <https://www.svt.se/nyheter/lokalt/skane/hon-kampar-i-svar-designbransch>

2014

Livet hemma ikea | Ung Svensk Form | <http://livethemma.ikea.se/och-de-nominerade-ar/>

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