

Rósa Gísladóttir

Born in 1957, Reykjavík, Iceland

Lives and works in Reykjavík, Iceland

Education

2014	M.Art.Ed. Iceland Academy of the Arts
2000–2002	MA in Art as Environment, Manchester Metropolitan University, Manchester with Prof. Ian Rawlinson and Prof. Pavel Büchler (UK)
1985–1986	Meisterschülerin with Prof. Sir. E. Paolozzi (DE)
1981–1986	Diploma, Akademie der Bildenden Künste, München, Germany
1977–1981	The Icelandic College of Art and Crafts

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2026	Hayart Cultural Centre, <i>Mirror of Time</i> , Yerevan, Armenia
2025	Icelandic Embassy, <i>Form and Void / A Still Life Reimagined</i> , Oslo, Norway
2024	Gallerie Käytävä, <i>Fossil from the Plastic Age</i> , Icelandic Embassy, Helsinki, Finland
2023	Gerðarsafn – Kópavogur Art Museum, <i>Fora</i> , Kópavogur, Iceland
2022	Listasafn Einars Jónssonar, <i>Rósa Gísladóttir's Museum</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland Ásmundarsafn, <i>Spatial Infractions</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2020	Skálholtskirkja, <i>Róm í Skálholti / Rome in Skálholt</i> , Iceland
2019	BERG Contemporary, <i>Medium of Matter</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2015	Hallgrímskirkja, <i>Borg Guðs – City of God</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2013	Harpa, <i>Tilfærsla – Róm/Reykjavík</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland Listasafn Árnessinga Art Museum, <i>Hliðstæður – Andstæður, Rósa Gísladóttir-Skúlpturn</i> , Hveragerði, Iceland
2012	Mercati di Traiano, <i>Come l'acqua come l'oro...</i> Rome, Italy
2011	Galleri Ágúst, <i>Ótti við óvini framtíðarinnar...</i> Reykjavík, Iceland
2009	Galleria 196, <i>Looking at the Overlooked</i> , Rome, Iceland
2007	Galleria Via Larga, Florence (with Brigitta Reinhardt), Italy
2006	Stadtgalerie Balieri Frauenfeld, Switzerland (with Brigitta Reinhardt)
2004	ASÍ Art Museum, <i>Still life from the Plastic Age</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
1999	The Living Art Museum, <i>Still life</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
1995	Gallery Birgir Andrésson, Reykjavík (with Brigitta Reinhardt), Iceland
1991	State of the Art Gallery, Ithaca, New York (with Brigitta Reinhardt), US
1989	Gallery Sævar Karl, Reykjavík, Iceland
1988	Gallery Svart á hvítu, Reykjavík, Iceland
1984	Reykjavik Art Museum (Kjarvalsstaðir), Reykjavík, Iceland

Selected Group Exhibitions

2026	BERG Contemporary, <i>10 years</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland Centre of Polish Sculpture, <i>Two-Headed. Art of Iceland</i> , Orońsko, Poland
2025	BERG Contemporary, <i>Christmas Exhibition</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland

2024	BERG Contemporary, <i>Still Life</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2024	National Gallery of Iceland, <i>Looking Inward, Looking Outward: 140 Years of the National Gallery of Iceland</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2023	BERG Contemporary, <i>'Tis the season...</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2022	The Living Art Museum, <i>Fragments of Other Knowledge</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2020	Hafnarborg Museum, efni:viður – Design March, Hafnarfjörður, Iceland
2017	Haus der Katholische Aktion, <i>Crossing Borders, Symposium</i> , Salzburg, Austria
2016	United Nations, <i>ART FOR ACTION – Icelandic Art in the service of sustainability</i> , New York, US
2016	Scandinavia House Gallery, <i>Borrowed Time</i> , New York, US
2015	Künstlerforum, <i>All Together Now</i> , Bonn, Germany
2015	Reykjavik Art Museum (Kjarvalsstaðir), <i>Kvennatími – Hér og nú þrjátíu árum síðar</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2015	Soane's Museum, <i>Inspired by Soane: I found this and thought of you...</i> London, UK
2015	Saatchi Gallery, Joanna Bird Collection, <i>Collect 2015</i> , London, UK
2015	Listasafn Árnesinga Art Museum, <i>Ákall</i> , Hveragerði, Iceland
2014	Center of Contemporary and Experimental Art (CCEA), <i>Time and Space</i> , Symposium, Jerevan, Armenia
2013	Nordic House, <i>Relate North</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2013	Künstlerforum, <i>Grenzüberschreitungen (Crossing Borders)</i> , Symposium, Bonn, Germany
2012	Listasafn Árnesinga Art Museum, <i>Nautn og notagildi</i> , Hveragerði, Iceland
2010	Reykjavik Art Museum (Hafnarhús), <i>Vanitas, Kyrralíf í íslenskri samtímamyndlist</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
2009	Second edition, <i>Creative Emergencies, waste, water and energy in international contemporary art</i> , Ravenna, Italy
2007	Cascina Farsetti, <i>Gli artisti si incontrano</i> , Rome, Italy
2002	Holden Gallery, Manchester, UK
2002	Brown Brothers Mill, <i>Walking Distance</i> , Salford, UK
2000	The Coastline 2000, Reykjavík, Iceland
1997	Sculptors' Association Anniversary Exhibition, Reykjavík, Iceland
1991	Ithaca Gun Factory, <i>Art in the Factory</i> , New York, US
1988	Big Scale, Malmö, Sweden
1987	Reykjavik Art Museum (Kjarvalsstaðir), <i>Icelandic Abstract</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
1987	7th International Small Sculpture Exhibition, Budapest, Hungary
1986	Galerie am Maxwehr, Landshut, Germany
1985	Reykjavik Art Museum (Kjarvalsstaðir), <i>Here and Now</i> , Reykjavík, Iceland
1985	Kunstzentrum No 66, München, Germany

Awards, Residencies and Grants

2026	Closed sculpture competition for Grensásvegur 1, supervised by The Reykjavík Art Museum. First Prize. Reykjavík, Iceland
2024	Ministry of Culture, 6 month artist stipend
2023	Ministry of Culture, 6 month artist stipend
	Nomination for the Iceland Art Prize for the exhibitions <i>Spatial Infractions</i> and <i>Rósa Gísladóttir's Museum</i>
2022	Designed and made the 2022 President's Export Award
2020	Gerður Helgadóttir Prize for Sculpture 2020
2020	Closed sculpture competition for Icelandic Regional Development Institute (Byggðastofnun). First Prize. Sauðárkrúkur, Iceland

2018	Closed international sculpture competition, Vogabyggð, Reykjavík, Iceland
2018	Skriðuklaustur, Artist-in-Residence, Iceland
2016	Circolo Scandinavo, Artist-in-Residence, Italy
2013	Closed sculpture competition, HB Grandi, Reykjavík, Iceland
2011	Closed competition, Litlahlíð, Reykjavik Art Museum, Iceland
2011	Barbara and Magnús Á. Árnason Art Fund, Iceland
2001	Closed competition for tombstones, Cemeteries of Reykjavík, Iceland
1995	Krefeld, Artist-in-Residence, Nordrhein Westphalen Art Festival, Germany
1988	Artist-in-Residence, Big Scale, Malmö, Sweden
1984	Digital Equipment Art Prize, München, Germany
1981	Svava Finsen Prize, Reykjavík, Iceland
2020	Ministry of Culture, artist stipend
2019	Myndstef, project grant, Iceland
2018	The Visual Arts Fund, Project Grant, Iceland
2018	Ministry of Culture, 3 month artist stipend, Iceland
2015	Muggur, travel grant, Iceland
2014	The Visual Arts Fund, Project Grant
2014	Ministry of Culture, 2 month artist stipend
2013	Myndstef, project grant, Iceland
2012	CiAI (Consorzio Imbaggalli Aluminio) (grant for exhibition in Rome)
2012	Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Iceland (grant for exhibition in Rome)
2012	Promote Iceland, (grant for exhibition in Rome)
2012	Ministry of Culture, 6 month artist stipend
2012	CIA, Spontaneous Support, Iceland
2012	Muggur, travel grant
2010	Ministry of Culture, 12 month artist stipend
2009	Kópavogur, Stipendium, Iceland
2009	Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Iceland, Stipendium
2009	CIA, Spontaneous Support
2009	Myndstef, project grant, Iceland
2000	Ministry of Culture, 12 month artist stipend
1996	Ministry of Culture, 6 month artist stipend

Lectures

2019	Crossing Borders VI Symposium, „Medium of Matter, the making of an exhibition“, Vienna, Austria
2016	Crossing Borders IV Symposium, „Is Keldur Reliquary from Armenia?“ Skálholt, Iceland
2014	Symposium in 64. Festival Junger Künstler, „Wie Frei ist ein Künstler“, Bayreuth, Germany
2014	Time and Space, Symposium, (CCEA), „Exhibition in Trajans Markets, the making of“, Jerevan, Armenia

Collections

The National Gallery of Iceland (IS)
 Reykjavik Art Museum (IS)
 Icelandair Art collection (IS)
 Icelandic Regional Development Institute
 Harpa Concert Hall (IS)

Garðabær Conservatory (IS)