

Hi! I am Inka Saini.  
Experienced international  
design professional with  
a passion for well-being and  
the human mind. Skilled in  
Spatial and Service Design,  
and at best when using both  
creative and leadership skills.  
Background from a national  
team gymnast to  
an entrepreneur and the owner  
of a yoga studio for children.

CV

**Inka Saini**

Concepts & Spaces | Service Design |  
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## **Education**

**2022-2023 – University of Lapland** (remote)

Service Design, basic studies (25 ECTS) through Helsinki Summer University

**2009-2013 – Aalto University, School of Art, Design & Architecture**, Helsinki

Spatial Design, Master of Arts (MA) (120 ECTS)

**2004-2007 – Buckinghamshire New University**, High Wycombe, UK,

Spatial Design, Bachelor of Arts (BA)

**02/2006-06/2006 – Insitut d’Arts Visuels**, Orléans, France,

Erasmus Exchange

**2003-2004 – Surrey Institute of Art & Design**, Farnham, Surrey, UK,

Full-Time Foundation Diploma in Art & Design (3D)

## **Work Experience**

**08/2024 – Agile Work**, Helsinki

Senior Designer, Service Designer

*www.agilework.fi*

**10/2023 – N2/ Mellakka**, Helsinki

Creative Project Manager (freelance)

*www.n2creative.fi / www.mellakka.fi*

**01/2010 – Entrepreneur: Tmi Inka Saini**, Helsinki

Concept Design (service environments, brands),

Service Design & Spatial Design, Interior Architect SIO

*www.inkasaini.fi*

**03/2018-03/2023 – Pinto Design**, Helsinki

Concepts & Spaces, Service Design

International Clients & Projects

*www.pintodesign.fi*

**10/2014-03/2018 – Malja BTL Oy**, Helsinki

Creative Event & Sponsorship Agency,

Spatial & Concept Designer

**05-12/2017 – SAFA** (The Finnish Association of Architects), Helsinki

100 Skabaa Stadissa, Project Coordinator

*www.100skabaa.fi*

**01/2015 – Travis Price Architects**, Washington DC

Associate Architect

*www.travispricearchitects.com*

**10/2009-10/2014 – Vesa Honkonen Architects**, Helsinki

Junior Designer

**09/2007-07/2009 – BBUK Studio**, London

Junior Designer in Landscape Architecture, Studio Assistant

*www.bbukstudio.com*

## **Additional Courses & Notable Works**

**2024 – Design Academy (Designakatemia)**

Selected designer for the Design Academy (collaboration with Ornamo and the Design Museum), where children and young people get to think about issues related to design and the built environment together with design and museum professionals.

*https://www.designmuseum.fi/fi/designakatemia/*

**2024 – Lean Six Sigma (Yellow Belt)**

Lean Six Sigma- certificate, course by Leanvalmennus.fi / Jukka Saikkonen

**2024 – Anthropological Thinking in Design**

Anthropological Thinking in Design course by Anna Haverinen PhD

**Spirit of Place/ Spirit of Design projects:**

**2016 – The Mhuysqa Offering** in Tenjo, Colombia

**2011 – A Memorial to the Magar Ancestors** in Namje-Thumki, Nepal

**2010 – Kalevalakehto** in Seurasaari, Helsinki.

Student projects led by FAIA Architect Travis Price.

*www.spiritofplace-design.com*

**2013 – TANGO Exhibition** (Issues of creativity, social design and sustainability, and promoted intergenerational dialogue in Finland, France and Italy),

Nantes, France 03/13 and Design Museum Helsinki 04-05/13.

Exhibition Architect together with Henri Halla-aho.

**2012 – Helsinki WDC Pavilion**, Wood Studio,

Aalto University of Art, Design & Architecture (group project).

**References upon request.**

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something  
together?