

# Curriculum Vitae



**MAYA GABRIELLE STEINHOLTZ**

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Cand. Design, Furniture Design

Furniture designer with a particular interest in the relation between object, space and human.

Recipient of Grethe Jalk's Honor Scholarship 2017.

Innovation is for me a foundation stone in all forms of design, i always seek to explore the borders of what is possible.

Besides my studies, I worked as a freelancer and as assistant at the danish design company A. Petersen.



## Profile

In recent years, I have been completely dedicated to my studies at the Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts. Prior to my studies I had project employments within the field of scenography and art installations.

I have a interest for - and often study - contemporary trends as inspiration for my designs. I have a particular interest in people's physical, as well as cognitive behavior, as I think it contributes to the best results in design and architecture.

I have a keen interest in how sustainability can be incorporated as a more important parameter in design, how can we ensure that it contributes to the process instead of complicating it? I have deep knowledge about many of the concepts and strategies currently under development in our field.

As a human being, I am focused, solution-oriented, with a high level of job satisfaction and morale. I take responsibility, have a natural leadership and appreciate working in teams with colleagues. To me it is natural to meet deadlines and deliver the best work I am able to.

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## Educations

- 2016-18: **MA Furniture Design** | The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts  
*Institute of architecture and design.*
- 2013-16: **BA Furniture and Spatial Design** | The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts  
*Institute of architecture and design.*
- 2011-12: **Cabinetmaker** | Technical school, Copenhagen  
*Incl. internship through the euro-pass scheme in Tuscany, Italy.*
- 2010-11: **Idea Development and Design** | AFUK, Copenhagen  
*Among other things, development of scenographs and costumes for new-circus performances.*
- 2009-10: **Theater and Ceramics** | The danish 'Højskole' a kind of boarding school
- 2007: **Student** | Michaelskolen - Waldorf School, Herlev



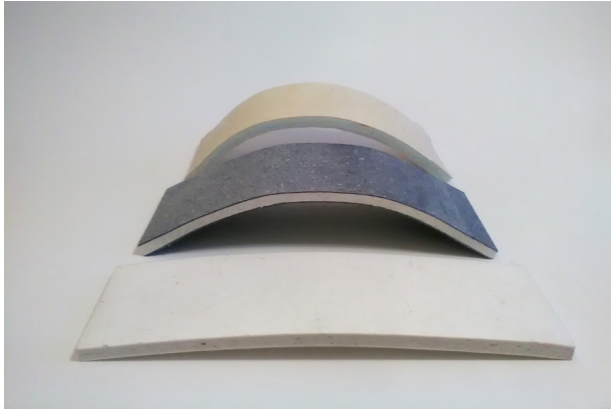
Thesis project, Fluid Space

## Work Experience

- 2018-p.d: **Student Assistant** | A. Petersen  
*Work on preparation and planning of exhibitions, as well as presentation in the shop and exhibition.*
- 2017: **Intern** | Muuto  
*Design management, from brief to product, as well as work with colors and textiles.*
- 2016-17: **Freelance Furniture Designer** | NC Nordic Care  
*This Swedish company found my design at the furniture fair in Stockholm 2016, Followed by work to adapt the design to industrial production.*
- 2016-18: **Student Secretary** | The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts  
*Organization and management of the students' political organization at KADK, incl. communication with the school administration.*
- 2011-16: **Barista** | Kleist Kaffe, Frederiksberg Allé, Copenhagen  
*Work next to the studies 10-20 hours per. week.*
- 2010: **Assisting Props-Master** | Copenhagen Bombay  
*Planning and executing scenography's for children's television.*
- 2010: **Assisting artist Hans Madsen** | Hans Madsen, København  
*Assistant in setting up his works as they are big and the artist himself suffers from fear of heights ;)*
- 2010: **Assisting artist Hékla Jonsdóttir** | Kling & Bang, Reykavik  
*Assistant in setting up and planning works.*
- 2010: **Assisting Adalstein Steffanson** | The art project "Lys Over Lolland"  
*Working to transform the old sugar factory in Holeby for art exhibition, cinema and concert hall.*
- 2007: **Pedagogue** | Den Integrerede Institution Lærkereden
- 2002-08: **Wood Sculptor** | Wooden figures sold at "Swedish Hemslöjd" and "Brinken" in Stockholm.



Sandstone sculpture , 2007



Material research project, exploring the properties of Really. At heat and pressure, the material can be transformed into hard shells that hold its shape, 2017.

## Personally

Art, design, crafts and travel are among my main interests. I enjoy to use my holidays on renovation of my family's farm in Norrtälje, north of Stockholm, Sweden. My home is Copenhagen where I have lived since we moved to Denmark when I was 9 years old.

I have recently returned from a 2 month trip to Peru, where I admired the amazing scenery, nature and the ancient Inka-structures. What I love to experience when traveling to other countries and cultures are that you become aware of where you come from and why we do as we do. This I actively use in my work as a designer, where I like to question this.

Besides traveling to family and farm in Sweden, I often travel to Barcelona where my boyfriend lives.

## Languages

- **Swedish** *Mother tongue*
- **Danish** *As mother tongue*
- **Engelish** *Fluent speaking and writing*
- **Spanish** *Basic knowledge*

## Personal Skills

- **Structured** *Good to plan and perform according to plan*
- **Stubborn** *When I decide, there's nothing that stops me*
- **Empathic** *I'm good at putting myself in someone else's place*
- **Curious** *Frequently searches knowledge outside of own field*
- **Flexible** *Working evenings and weekends when required*
- **Poetic** *Seeking poetry in work as well as private life*
- **Communication** *Can speak and present in a convincing manner*
- **Natural leadership** *I can take the lead when needed*
- **Ambitious** *I set high goals and work hard to achieve them*
- **Innovative** *I always seek to challenge the familiar framework*

## Practical Experience

- **Cabinetmaker** *Furniture, construction and interior*
- **Textile** *Padding, material and tailoring*
- **Work drawings** *Woodworker experience, professional skill*
- **Metalworking** *Welding, forging and soldering*
- **Modelmaking** *Space, furniture and scenography, professional skills*
- **3D Print** *In ABS, PLA and Resin, including machine maintenance.*
- **Planning** *Exhibitions, furniture projects, scenography's and major renovation projects*

## Computer Programs

- Mac OSX** *Professional skills*
- Windows** *Very experienced*

- 3D**
- **Rhinoceros** *Professional skills*
- **Fusion360** *Experienced*
- **SketchUp** *Basic experience*
- **SolidWorks** *Basic experience*

- Rendering**
- **Keyshot** *Øvet*
- **RhinoRender** *Very experienced*
- **Fusion360** *Basic experience*

- Adobe2018**
- **Inddesign** *Professional skills*
- **Illustrator** *Experienced*
- **Photoshop** *Basic experience*

- Office**
- **Word** *Professional skills*
- **Exel** *Professional skills*
- **Powerpoint** *Very experienced*