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### WOOD WORKS!

The Copper Smithy Summer Exhibition at Fiskars  
9 May –26 September 2010

*WOOD WORKS!*, the summer exhibition of 2010 of the Cooperative of Artisans, Designers and Artists in Fiskars continues the cooperative's tradition of material-based exhibitions by addressing a single body of material – wood and the forests in all their variety. The theme of the forthcoming exhibition begins with the forests and ends with the artworks and products derived from them. The cooperative has staged extensive exhibitions of high standard at Fiskars since 1994.

*WOOD WORKS!* takes as its focus wood as a living organism and material, addressing man's relation to timber both growing and processed, and the mental and ecological significance of wood. What are the immaterial products of the forest? What successful product could be made of wood or the forests without felling timber? What intellectual qualities are needed to understand wood? How is climate change affecting our relationship with wood? In addition to these, other questions will arise.

During the exhibition, forest growth in Finland will exceed 100 million cubic metres per year for the first time in history. How much of this growth will we use and for what purposes? How much of it will we leave to nature? Considerable changes are taking place in forestry regulations, and industry is not alone in competing over forest resources. The forests can provide the new "intellectual building blocks" that are particularly needed at present.

*WOOD WORKS!* seeks new answers to the issues of the meaning and materials of wood through the themes of 1) wood and ecology, 2) traditions and new skills, and 3) the forests as a source of inspiration.

Some forty architects, designers, artisans and visual artists will be invited to participate with new perspectives providing catalysts for new ways of thinking regarding wood. The wood design studios of higher institutions of learning will make their own proposals for the exhibition, and companies and organizations of forest and timber industries will be linked to its themes. Naturally, Fiskars' own artisans, designers and artists will participate through a jury selection process. Members of the working group will also have the opportunity to make additions to the exhibition.

Extra events related to the theme will be held at Fiskars during the exhibition. The *Puumarkkinpäivät* timber construction market event will take place on 19 June and a seminar will be held in September 2010.

**The exhibition working group** is chaired by interior architect, Professor Simo Heikkilä and its members are the architect Georg Grotenfelt, interior architect Markku Kosonen and cabinet maker Kari Virtanen. Exhibition coordinator Pirkko Tuukkanen is the secretary of the working group, industrial designer Perttu Rista is responsible for the technical execution of the exhibition, and Tommi Jokivaara for graphic design.



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### THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE EXHIBITION ARE

Eeva-Kaisa Ailus, artist  
Soili Arha, textile artist  
Heikki Aska, cabinet maker  
Veljekset Backman Ky  
Marko Escartin, cabinet maker  
Georg Grotenfelt, architect, film maker  
Terike Haapoja, artist  
Eero Haikala, interior designer  
Pentti Hakala, interior designer  
Jussi Heikkilä, artist  
Simo Heikkilä, interior designer  
Mikko Heikkinen & Markku Komonen,  
Architects  
Kaarina Huhtiniemi, interior designer  
Putte Huima & Otso Virtanen, students of  
architecture  
Huonekalutehdas Korhonen  
(Furniture manufacturer Korhonen)  
Seppo Häkli, architect  
Tapio Hämäläinen, graphic designer  
Juha Ilonen, architect  
JKMM Architects: Teemu Kurkela  
Jouko Järvisalo, interior designer  
Sade Kahra, photographer artist  
Aimo Katajamäki, graphic designer, artist  
Petri Koivusipilä, cabinet maker  
Markku Kosonen, interior designer  
Ritva Kovalainen & Sanni Seppo,  
photographers  
Hannu Kähönen, industrial designer  
Jouko Kärkkäinen, designer  
Jouni Laiti, cabinet maker  
Anu Leinonen, designer  
Olavi & Jan Lindén, industrial designer  
Livady Architects

Rudi Merz, cabinet maker  
Jukka Mäkelä, artist  
Jussi Nordberg, wooden boat builder  
Ron Nordström, artist  
Mikko Paakkanen, designer  
Jaakko Pakkala, artist  
Tero Pelto-Uotila, designer  
Tuulia Penttilä, cabinet maker  
Pook Architects Pentti Raiski, Katariina  
Rautiala  
Jorma Puranen, artist  
Maria Riekkinen, designer  
Ilona Rista, designer  
Jenni Roininen, interior designer  
Kristian Saarikorpi, master goldsmith & Kirsti  
Doukas, designer  
Anneli Sainio, ceramic artist  
Arto Salminen, cabinet maker & Simo Heikkilä,  
interior designer  
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Kari Virtanen, cabinet maker  
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