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ETTORE SOTTASS

1917 Born in Innsbruck, Austria
2007 Died in Milan, Italy

Education

1939 architecture, Turin University, Italy

Selected Exhibitions

2023 Friedman Benda, New York, NY
2022 *ETTORE SOTTASS: HUMANISM*, The Page gallery, Seoul, Korea
2022-23 *A Chair and You*, Musée de Design et d'Arts Appliqués Contemporains, Lausanne, Switzerland
2021-22 *Ettore Sottass*, L'Objet Magique, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France
2021 *Electrifying Design : A Century of Lighting*, Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX
2019-20 *Memphis Plastic Field*, Musée des Arts Décoratifs et du Design, Bordeaux, France
2020 *What Would Have Been*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
2019 *Ettore Sottass and the Social Factory*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami, FL
2019 *Less Is a Bore: Maximalist Art & Design*, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA
2018 *Ettore Sottass*, More Gallery, Giswil, Switzerland
2017-18 *Celebrating Ceramics: 100 Years of Ettore Sottass*, Design Museum Den Bosch, The Netherlands
2017-18 *Ettore Sottass. Oltre il Design*, CSAC, University of Parma, Italy
2017-18 *Ettore Sottass: There is a Planet*, La Triennale di Milano, Milan, Italy
2017-18 *Space Oddities: Bowie | Sottass* | Memphis, Modernism Museum of Mount Dora, Mount Dora, FL
2017 *Ettore Sottass: Design Radical*, The Met Breuer, New York, NY
2017 *Ettore Sottass: Rebel and Poet*, Vitra Design Museum, Weil-am-Rhein, Germany
2017 *Ettore Sottass: Designer of the World*, Château de Montsoreau, Montsoreau, France
2017 *Ettore Sottass: The Glass*. Le Stanze del Vetro, Venice, Italy
2015 *Ettore Sottass*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
2014 *Sottass*, Galerie Azzedine Alaïa, Paris, France
2013-15 *Bangles to Benches: Contemporary Jewelry and Design*, High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
2012 *Ettore Sottass, A Survey: 1992-2007*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY Ettore Sottass: Keramik (Ceramic), Hetjens-
2012 Museum Dusseldorf, Deutsches Keramikmuseum, Dusseldorf, Germany
2011 *Postmodernism*, Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK
2011 *Shiro Kuramata and Ettore Sottass, 21_21 Design Sight*, Tokyo, Japan
2011 *Enamels 1958*, Kunsthal, Rotterdam, The Netherlands
2010 *European Design Since 1985*, Shaping the New Century. High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
2010 *Un Piccolo Omaggio a Mondrian*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
2009 *European Design Since 1985: Shaping the New Century*, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN
2008-09 *Homage à Ettore Sottass*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
2008 *Ettore Sottass Archetypes 1965-1995*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
008 *Design Cities*, Istanbul Museum of Modern Art, Istanbul, Turkey
008 *Vorrei Sapere Perché*, una mostra su Ettore Sottass, Trieste Museum, Trieste, Italy
008 Berlin Biennale für Zeitgenössische Kunst, Berlin, Germany
2007 *Design contre Design—Deux siècles de créations*, Galeries nationales du Grand Palais, Paris, France
2007 *Ettore Sottass*, Ghent Museum, Ghent, Belgium
2007 *Ettore Sottass New Works 2005-2007*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
2007 *Ettore Sottass A Life in Design*, Design Museum, London, UK Metafore, Gallerie Enrico Formello, Prato, Italy
2006 *Ettore Sottass: Architect and Designer*, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
2005 *Ettore Sottass*, Museo d'Arte Moderna e Contemporanea di Trento e Rovereto, Italy
2004 *Ettore Sottass*, Museo di Capodimonte, Naples, Italy
2004 *Ettore Sottass*, Barry Friedman Ltd., New York, NY
2004 *US Design. 1975-2000*, Traveling exhibition, Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis, TN
2003 *20 Years of Designs for Olivetti*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France Ettore Sottass, Museum für Angewandte
2003 *Kunst*, Cologne, Germany Ettore Sottass, Museo d'Arte Moderna, Rome, Italy

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- 2003 *US Design. 1975-2000*. Traveling exhibition, Bass Museum of Art, Miami, FL
- 2002 Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy
- 2001 *Memphis Remembered*, The London Design Museum, London, England
- 2000 Museum of Modern Art, Gifu, Japan
- 2001 Suntory Museum, Osaka, Japan
- 2001 Marugame Museum of Contemporary Art, Japan Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL
- 1999 Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea L. Pecci, Prato, Italy Glasgow School of Art, Glasgow, Scotland
- 1999 Bonnefantenmuseum, Maastricht, Netherlands
- 1999 Niitsu Art Forum, Niigata, Japan
- 1999 Living Design Center Ozone, Tokyo, Japan
- 1997 Gallery Binnen, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 1997 Designed for Delight. Alternative aspects of twentieth-century decorative arts, Canadian Museum of Civilization, Hull, Quebec, Canada; Cincinnati Art Museum, Cincinnati, OH; Montreal Museum of Decorative Arts, Montreal, Quebec, Canada; Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris, France Muzeum Narodowe w Krakowie, Krakow, Poland; Die Neue Sammlung, Munich, Germany; J.B. Speed Art Museum, Louisville, KY; Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA
- 1996 Gallery Bischofberger, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1996 *Louisville*, KY; Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond, VA
- 1996 Venice Biennial, Venice, Italy
- 1996 Galleria Dessa, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- 1996 Gallery Ma, Tokyo, Japan
- 1996 Mourmans Gallery, Knokke, Belgium
- 1996 Design Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 1994 *Ettore Sottsass: Retrospective*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
- 1994 Gallery Bischofberger, Zurich, Switzerland
- 1993 *Ettore Sottsass: Adesso pero. Reisseerinnerungen*, Deichtorhallen Museum, Hamburg, Germany
- 1993 *La ultima oportunidad de ser vanguardia*, Centre d'Art Santa Monica, Barcelona, Spain
- 1993 Vitra Design Museum, Weil-am-Rhein, Germany
- 1991 Il dolce Stilnovo della casa, Palazzo Strozzi, Florence, Italy Venice Biennial, Venice, Italy
- 1991 Abitare Italia, Tokyo, Japan
- 1991 Energieen Exhibition, Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 1990 *Memphis 1981-1988*, Traveling exhibition: Groninger Museum, Groningen, Netherlands;
- 1990 Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Netherlands
- 1989 Yamagiwa Art Foundation, Tokyo, Japan
- 1988 *Bharata*, Design Gallery, Milan, Italy
- 1987 *Ettore Sottsass: Furniture for the Ritual of Life*, Blum Helmann Gallery, New York
- 1987 *Documenta 8*, Kassel, Germany
- 1986 *Caravelles*, Musée Saint-Pierre art contemporain, Lyon, France
- 1986 *Design Since 1945*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 1985 *Ceremonial Lights*, Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel
- 1985 XVII Milan Triennial, Milan, Italy
- 1985 *Golden Eye: An International Tribute to the Artisans of India*, Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, New York
- 1983-84 *Design Since 1945*, Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
- 1982 *Materialidea*, Padiglione d'Arte Contemporanea, Milan, Italy
- 1981 Axis Galley, Tokyo, Japan
- 1980 Forum Design, Linz, Austria
- 1978 Venice Biennial. Venice, Italy
- 1976 *MAN transforms*, The Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, New York, NY
- 1976 *Ettore Sottsass Jr. De l'objet fini à la fin de l'objet*, Musée des Arts décoratif, Paris, France
- 1976 Design Zentrum, Berlin, Germany
- 1976 Venice Biennial, Venice, Italy
- 1976 Centro de Diseño Industrial, Barcelona, Spain
- 1976 The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel
- 1976 Visual Art Board, Sidney, Australia
- 1975 Architectural Studies and Projects, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1972 The New Domestic Landscape, Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1969 Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

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- 1969 *Paesaggio per una pianeta fresco*, Sverige Arckitecturmuseum, Stockholm, Sweden
1969 *Ceramiche tantriche*, Galleria la Nuova Loggia, Bologna, Italy
1969 *Ceramiche di fumo*, Galleria il Sestante, Milan, Italy
1968 Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY Stedelijk Museum, Amsterdam, Netherlands Design Center, Milan, Italy
1967 *Ceramiche sbagliate*, Poltronova, Italy
1967 *Ettore Sottsass Jr. La Bertesca*, Genoa, Italy
1967 *Menhirs*, Ziggurat, Stupas, Hydrant & Gas Pumps, Galleria Sperone, Genova, Italy
1966 Centro Fly Casa, Milan, Italy
1965 Galleria Sperone, Turin, Italy
1965 *La Casa abitata*, Palazzo Strozzi, Florence, Italy
1965 *Le belle ragazze*, Libreria Feltrinelli, Milan, Italy
1964 *Offerta a Shiva*, Galleria Aquilone, Florence, Italy Galleria il Sestante, Milan, Italy
1964 Galleria Tornabuoni, Florence, Italy
1963 Biennale d'Arte Contemporanea. Bari, Italy
1963 *Ceramiche delle Tenebre*, Galleria il Sestante, Milan, Italy
1961 *New York from Italy*, Bolles Gallery, San Francisco, CA Goldsmith's Hall, London, UK
1960 XII Milan Triennial, Milan, Italy
1958 Galleria il Sestante, Milan, Italy
1957 XI Milan Triennial. Milan, Italy Galleria il Sestante, Milan, Italy
1955 Galleria del Naviglio, Milan, Italy Galleria del Cavallino, Venice, Italy
1954 X Milan Triennial. Milan, Italy
1946 VIII Milan Triennial. Milan, Italy Palais des Beaux-Art, Paris, France

Awards

- 2001 Honorary degree from the London Institute of Art, London,
2001 England Honorary degree in Industrial Design from the Milan Polytechnic, Milan, Italy
2001 Title of Grande Ufficiale per l'Ordine al Merito from the President of the Italian Republic
1999 Honorary degree from the Glasgow School of Art, Glasgow, Scotland
1997 Oribe Award, Gifu, Japan
1996 Honorary Doctorate from the Royal College of Art, London, UK
1996 Award in Design from the Brooklyn Museum, Brooklyn, NY
1994 iF Award Design Kopfe from the Industrie Forum Design, Hanover, Germany
1993 Honorary degree from the Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI
1992 Awarded Officier of the Order of Arts and Letters of the French Republic

Select Museum and Public Collections

The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL Brooklyn Museum of Art, New York, NY
Centre National d'Art et de Culture Georges Pompidou, Paris, France Chatsworth House, Derbyshire, UK
Chrysler Museum of Art, Norfolk, VA
Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum, New York, NY Dallas Museum of Art, Dallas, TX
Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO Design Museum, London,
England Design Museum, Ghent, Belgium High Museum of Art, Atlanta, GA
Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN
Kirkland Museum of Fine & Decorative Art, Denver, CO Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
The National Museum of Art, Architecture and Design, Oslo, Norway M+ Museum, West Kowloon, Hong Kong
Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI
Musée des Arts Décoratifs de Montreal, Montreal, Canada Musée National d'Art Moderne, Paris, France
Museo di Arte Moderna e Contemporanea di Trento e Rovereto, Italy Museum Boijmans Van Beuningen, Rotterdam, The
Netherlands Museum of Applied Arts & Sciences, Sydney, Australia
Museum of Arts and Design, New York, NY
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
National Museum of Art, Architecture and Design, Oslo, Norway Neues Museum, Nuremberg, Germany
Oklahoma State University Museum of Art, Stillwater, OK Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
RISD Museum, Providence, RI
St. Louis Art Museum, St. Louis, MO
Stedelijk Museum Amsterdam, The Netherlands Victoria & Albert Museum, London, UK

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Vitra Design Museum, Weim am Rhein, Germany