

## Margit Aule

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## Career

2010– KAOS Architects ([www.kaosarhitektid.ee](http://www.kaosarhitektid.ee)): partner and architect  
2005–2010 KOKO architects: architect

## Education

2000–2007 Estonian Academy of Arts, Faculty of Architecture, Dept. of Architecture and City Planning, M.A. *cum laude*  
1998–2000 Gustav Adolfi Gümnaasium, Tallinn (secondary education diploma)  
1997–1998 Miina Härma Gümnaasium, Tartu  
1988–1997 Tartu 10th Secondary School

## Works (\* – under construction)

2017–2020\* Fahle Park residential and business estate in Tallinn, commissioned by OÜ Fausto Capital, designed by KAOS Architects  
2016–2020\* WOW! Family Centre in Kuressaare (Saaremaa island), commissioned by Tulik Invest OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects  
2017–2020\* Kindergarten and Swimming-Pool Building in Pärnu (Raja 7), commissioned by the city of Pärnu, designed by KAOS Architects  
2018–2019\* KAI Arts Centre: conversion of a shipyard building (Peetri 12, Tallinn), commissioned by Noblessner Arendus OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects  
2016–2019\* Noblessner Foundry: conversion of a shipyard building into cultural spaces (Peetri 10, Tallinn), commissioned by Noblessner Arendus OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects  
2015–2019\* Haapsalu Episcopal Castle: remodelling, commissioned by SA Haapsalu ja Läänemaa Muuseumid, designed by KAOS Architects  
2017–2019\* Row Houses in Viimsi (Paevälja 6/8/10, Lubja, Viimsi rural municipality, Harju county), commissioned by Paepanga Rivimajad OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects  
2017–2019\* Apartment House on Trepimägi (Oru 21a, Viljandi), commissioned by TPMM OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects  
2014–2019 Estonian Embassy in Moscow: remodelling, commissioned by Riigi Kinnisvara AS, designed by KAOS Architects

2016–2018	Pilgrims' House for Vastseliina Episcopal Castle (Vastseliina, Võru county), commissioned by Vastseliina Piiskopilinnuse SA, designed by KAOS Architects
2016–2018	Park Hotel Viljandi: interior architecture (Johan Laidoneri plats 8, Viljandi), commissioned by Astlanda Ehitus OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects
2015–2017	Extension to the Permanent Representation of Estonia to the EU (rue Guimard 11/13, Brussels), commissioned by the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, designed by KAOS Architects
2014–2017	TTK University of Applied Sciences in Tallinn: renovation of the main building, commissioned by the TTK University of Applied Sciences, designed by KAOS Architects
2014–2016	New building for Hotel Tartu (Soola 3, Tartu), commissioned by OÜ Kediiv, designed by KAOS Architects
2014–2015	Apartment Houses in Peetri (Uusmaa tee 17, Peetri, Harju county), commissioned by Hausers KVK OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects
2013–2015	Estonian Embassy in London: interior architecture, commissioned by the Estonian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, designed by KAOS Architects
2011–2015	Estonian Mining Museum (formerly Kohtla Mining Park): conversion of a mine into a museum (Jaama 100, Kohtla-Nõmme, Ida-Viru county), commissioned by Kohtla-Nõmme rural municipality government, designed by KAOS Architects
2010–2015	Lighthouse-Keeper's Complex on the islet of Viirelaid: architecture, interior architecture (Viirelaid, Saare county), commissioned by Paternoster OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects
2012–2014	Office of Defendec OÜ: conversion of a former warehouse (Tööstuse 48, Tallinn), commissioned by Defendec OÜ, designed by KAOS Architects
2010–2014	Energy Discovery Centre: remodelling (Põhja pst 29, Tallinn), commissioned by SA Tallinna Tehnika- ja Teaduskeskus, designed by KAOS Architects
2013	'A View into History', site-specific outdoor work of art for the Räpina School of Horticulture (Räpina, Põlva county), commissioned by the Räpina School of Horticulture, designed by KAOS Architects
2013	Otepää Nature Centre: permanent exhibition (Kolga tee 28, Otepää, Valga county), commissioned by the Ministry of the Environment, designed by KAOS Architects
2013	Visitor Centre of Lahemaa National Park: permanent exhibition on the main floor (Palmse, Lääne-Viru county), commissioned by the Ministry of the Environment, designed by KAOS Architects
2012	Treasury of the University of Tartu Museum: interior architecture and exhibition design (Lossi 25, Tartu), commissioned by the University of Tartu, designed by KAOS Architects
2009–2012	Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn: exhibition design for the hangar, commissioned by the Estonian Maritime Museum, designed by KOKO architects
2009–2012	Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn: conversion design for the hangar and planning of the outdoor areas, commissioned by the Estonian Maritime Museum, designed by KOKO architects
2009–2012	Tallinn TV Tower: renovation of the tower, extension to the tower and planning of the outdoor areas, commissioned by AS Levira, designed by KOKO architects
2008–2011	Great Guild Hall in Tallinn Old Town (Pikk 17): interior design and exhibition design, commissioned by the Estonian History Museum, designed by KOKO architects
2009–2011	Börsi passage and the courtyard of the Great Guild Hall in Tallinn Old Town: architectural planning and design, commissioned by the Estonian History Museum, designed by KOKO architects
2006–2007	Commercial and Office Building in Tartu (Kaluri 2), commissioned by OÜ Kediiv, designed by KOKO architects
2006–2007	Buildings (Type 4) for Rabaküla residential area in Tallinn, commissioned by AS NCC Ehitus, designed by KOKO architects
2005–2006	Rabaküla residential area in Tallinn: architectural planning, commissioned by AS NCC Ehitus, designed by KOKO architects
2005–2007	Arensburg Boutique Hotel & Spa on the isle of Saaremaa: new building, commissioned by OÜ Arens Vara, designed by KOKO architects

2005–2007 Kuldala residential area (Rae rural municipality, Harju county): landscape architectural design of the inner yards, commissioned by Koger & Partnerid AS, designed by KOKO architects

### Awards

2018 Annual Award of the Estonian Association of Architects: Pilgrims' House for Vastseliina Episcopal Castle (KAOS Architects)

2018 Recognition of the Estonian National Heritage Board in the category of 'well-designed new buildings in historical environments': Pilgrims' House for Vastseliina Episcopal Castle (KAOS Architects)

2017 Recognition of the Estonian National Heritage Board in the category of 'good design': Haapsalu Episcopal Castle (conservation and remodelling design) (KAOS Architects)

2016 Annual Award of the Cultural Endowment of Estonia (Architecture Endowment) for remodelling and renovation of a historical interior: Estonian Embassy in London (KAOS Architects in collaboration with Doomino Arhitektid)

2015 Annual Award of the Estonian Association of Interior Architects for the best historical interior 2014–2015: Energy Discovery Centre in Tallinn (KAOS Architects)

2015 Special award of the National Heritage Board and the Heritage Committee of the Museums Board (Annual Awards of Estonian Museums for 2014) for restoring a museum as a cultural monument: Energy Discovery Centre in Tallinn (KAOS Architects in collaboration with Polaar Stuudio)

2014 European Museum of the Year Award of the European Museum Forum (EMF), specially commended: Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn (KOKO architects)

2013 Annual Award of the Cultural Endowment of Estonia (Architecture Endowment) for interior architecture 2012: Treasury of the University of Tartu Museum (KAOS Architects)

2013 Annual Award of the Cultural Endowment in the field of architecture 2012: conversion of the Seaplane Hangar and Tallinn TV Tower (KOKO architects)

2013 Global Excellence Award of the International Interior Design Association (IIDA), Best of Category 'Cultural / Institutional / Educational': interior architecture of the Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn (KOKO architects)

2013 EU Prize for Cultural Heritage / Europa Nostra Award, Grand Prix for Conservation: Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn (KOKO architects)

2013 Domus International Award for Restoration and Preservation, silver medal: Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn (KOKO architects)

2012 Restoration Award of Tallinn Culture and Heritage Department, Honourable Mention in the 'Cultural Monuments' category: Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn (KOKO architects)

2012 Estonian Association of Designers' BRUNO design award, Grand Prix for the Best Design Project: Seaplane Harbour in Tallinn (KOKO architects)

2012 Annual Award of the Cultural Endowment of Estonia (Architecture Endowment) for architectural accomplishments 2011: organisation of the LIFT11 urban installations festival (Margit Aule, Margit Argus, Ingrid Ruudi and Maarin Ektermann)

### Architectural Competitions

2018 Invited architectural competition for a commercial and residential building at Tähe 19 in the city of Tartu: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)

2017 Open design contest for Mulgimaa Experience Centre in Viljandi county; 2nd/3rd prize (KAOS Architects)

2017 Open architectural competition for Tabasalu Health Centre in Harju county; 3rd prize (KAOS Architects)

2017 Open architectural competition for a primary health care centre in the city of Rakvere: 2nd prize (KAOS Architects)

- 2017 Open architectural competition for an aquatic centre in the city of Viljandi: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2016 Open design contest for the corner post of the third electrical connection line between Estonia and Latvia: consolation prize (KAOS Architects in collaboration with UnSeen OÜ)
- 2016 Open architectural design contest for stairs between Pirogov park and Tähetorni square in the city of Tartu: 3rd prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2016 Invited design contest for WOW! Family Centre in the city of Kuressaare: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2016 Open design contest for the building complex at Eduard Vilde tee 118 in Tallinn: 2nd prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2015 Invited architectural competition for the reception area and extension to the Permanent Representation of Estonia to the European Union in Brussels: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2015 Open architectural design contest for the Joint Ministerial Building in Tallinn: consolation prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2015 Invited architectural competition for a new apartment building at Raua 28 in Tallinn: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2015 Open design contest for the remodelling design of Haapsalu Episcopal Castle: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2015 Open architectural competition for the central square and urban space of the town of Tõrva: consolation prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2014 Open design contest for the interior architecture of the TTK University of Applied Sciences in Tallinn: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2013 Invited design contest for the Estonian Embassy in London (KAOS Architects): 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2013 Open design contest for a public work of art for the Räpina School of Horticulture (in Põlva county), two entries: 1st and 3rd prizes (KAOS Architects)
- 2012 Open design contest for the exhibition design on the main floor of the Nature Centre of Lahemaa National Park: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2012 Open design contest for the exhibition design in Otepää Nature Centre: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2011 Open design contest for the renovation of the Treasury of the University of Tartu Museum: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2011 Open design contest for the exhibition design of Pärnu Museum: 1st prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2010 Open design contest for public areas in the town of Pärnu-Jaagupi in Pärnu county: 2nd prize (KAOS Architects)
- 2010 Open architectural competition for the remodelling design, exhibition design and interior architectural design of the Energy Discovery Centre building in Tallinn: 1st prize (KAOS Architects in collaboration with Pelle-Sten Viiburg and Sander Aas)
- 2009 Invited architectural competition for the renovation, exhibition design and interior architecture of Tallinn TV Tower: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2008 Invited architectural competition for an apartment building at Pirita tee 26 in Tallinn: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2008 Invited architectural competition for planning of the property at Magasini 35 in Tallinn and the adjacent area: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2008 Invited architectural competition for the Vikerkaare Community Beach House by Lake Viljandi: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2008 Invited architectural competition for the main building and outdoor areas of the children's theme park 'Onu Ööbiku park' on the isle of Hiiumaa: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2008 Open architectural competition for an extension to the Academic Building of the Estonian University of Life Sciences (Kreutzwaldi 5, Tartu): purchase prize (KOKO architects)
- 2008 Open architectural competition for the Estonian Embassy in Riga: purchase prize (KOKO architects)
- 2007 Open design contest for spatial planning of the Patarei and Seaplane Harbour area in Tallinn: 5th prize (KOKO architects)
- 2006 Invited competition for architectural design of the commercial and office building at Soola 3 (now Kaluri 2) in Tartu: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2005 Invited architectural competition for Arensburg Boutique Hotel & Spa in Kuressaare on the isle of Saaremaa: 1st prize (KOKO architects)

- 2005 Invited architectural competition for the planning of Kadaka horticultural estate (now Rabaküla residential area) in Tallinn: 1st prize (KOKO architects)
- 2005 Open architectural competition for the housing development plan of Mõisavahe estate in the city of Tartu: 3rd prize (Margit Kärner)
- 2004 Open architectural competition for a new business and residential building at Aida 5 in the city of Pärnu: purchase prize (Margit Kärner and Ülo-Tarmo Stöör)
- 2004 Open architectural competition for the local government and community building in Sõmeru (Lääne-Viru county): purchase prize (Margit Kärner and Ülo-Tarmo Stöör)
- 2004 Open architectural competition for the outdoor areas of the Estonian Road Museum in Kanepi (Põlva county): 1st prize (Margit Kärner)
- 2003 Open design contest for a bus shelter by the Estonian Road Administration: 3rd prize (Margit Kärner)

## Exhibitions

- 2019 'A Room of One's Own: Feminist Questions about Architecture' in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture, curated by Ingrid Ruudi
- 2017 'BEL:EST. A Laboratory for Europe in Brussels' in Tallinn, Disaini- ja Arhitektuurigalerii, and Brussels, Centre for Fine Arts (BOZAR), curated by Aet Ader (b210) and Iwan Strauven (BOZAR)
- 2016 'Where did all the euros go?' (curated exhibition of the Estonian Association of Architects) in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture, curated by Merle Karro-Kalberg, Karin Bachmann and Anna-Liisa Unt
- 2016 'Estonian Prize for Architecture 2015' in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture
- 2015 'Kaks linnust. Haapsalu ja Narva linnuse rekonstrueerimise arhitektuurivõistlused' ['Two castles. Architectural competitions for the remodelling of the Haapsalu and Narva castles'] in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture
- 2014 'Mängiv inimene. Kaheksa visiooni lasteaedade arhitektuurist' ['Playful People. Eight visions of kindergarten architecture'], annual exhibition of the Estonian Association of Architects in Tallinn, Disaini- ja Arhitektuurigalerii, curated by Kadri Klementi and Karin Tõugu (b210)
- 2013 'Made in Estonia. Tehtud Eestis. – tööstusarhitektuur eile ja täna' ['Made in Estonia. Industrial architecture in the past and today'] in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture, curated by Henry Kuningas ja Monika Eensalu
- 2013 'Ruumpiilt 2012' (exhibition of the annual awards of the Estonian Association of Interior Architects as part of the Tallinn Design Festival 2013) in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture
- 2013 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in Debrecen (Hungary), exhibition room of the Chamber of Architects of Hajdú-Bihar County, curated by Pille Epner
- 2013 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in the Budapest Center of Architecture (FUGA), curated by Pille Epner
- 2011 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in Moscow, Schusev State Museum of Architecture (MUAR), curated by Pille Epner
- 2011 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in Helsinki, Laituri information and exhibitions space, curated by Pille Epner
- 2011 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in the Glasgow School of Art, The Grace & Clark Fyfe Gallery, curated by Pille Epner
- 2010 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in Sofia (as part of the Sofia Architecture Week), Central Mineral Baths, curated by Pille Epner
- 2010 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in London (as part of the London Festival of Architecture), gallery of New London Architecture, curated by Pille Epner
- 2010 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in Berlin, German Architecture Center (DAZ), Taut Saal, curated by Pille Epner
- 2008 'BOOM. ROOM. New Estonian Architecture' in Tallinn, Museum of Estonian Architecture, curated by Pille Epner

2007 'TASE 2007' ['LEVEL 2007'] (exhibition of the graduation projects of the Estonian Academy of Arts) in Tallinn, Disaini- ja Arhitektuurigalerii

## Publications

2012 Margit Aule (ed.), *LIFT11: Üksteist suvist hetke / LIFT11: Eleven Instants of Summer* (catalogue of LIFT11 urban installations festival, 158 pages), Tallinn, KAOS Arhitektid, 2012

2011 Margit Aule, '„LIFT11” lõpetab installatsioon „Rada metsas”' ['LIFT11 topped off by the installation "A Path in the Forest"'], *Sirp* (cultural weekly), 7 October 2011

2011 Margit Aule, 'Linnainstallatsioonide festival Tallinnas 2011 ehk „LIFT11”' ['LIFT11: the urban installations festival in Tallinn, 2011'], *Sirp* (cultural weekly), 29 July 2011

2011 Maarin Mürk, Margit Aule, Margit Argus, 'LIFT11: Kuraatorite juht vabal teemal kolmes pildis' ['LIFT11: the case of the curators on a free subject in three scenes'], *Müürileht* (cultural magazine), 13 (2011), 16

2009 Margit Kärner, 'Kiire ja aeglane arhitektuur' ['Rapid and slow architecture'], *Mõte* (weekly supplement to the *Eesti Päevaleht* daily newspaper), 27 February 2009

2007 Margit Kärner, 'Müütiline Tartu' ['Mythical Tartu'], *MAJA* (architectural magazine), 2 (2007)

2006 Margit Kärner, 'Millist Kadrioru parki me tahame?' ['What kind of a Kadriorg Park do we want?'], *Eesti Päevaleht* (daily newspaper), 2 August 2006

2006 Margit Kärner, 'Kunstiakadeemia jäägu kesklinna' ['The Academy of Arts must remain in the centre of the city'], *Eesti Päevaleht* (daily newspaper), 24 March 2006

2005 Margit Kärner, 'Arhitektuurikool' ['The architectural school'], *Eesti Kunstiakadeemia Ajakiri* (journal of the Estonian Academy of Arts), 1 (2005)

## Presentations

2011 Margit Aule, 'Urban Installations' (public lecture) in Russia, Perm Museum of Contemporary Art (PERMM), 15 December 2011

2011 Margit Aule, 'LIFT11' (public lecture at the Tallinn Architecture Biennale) in Tallinn, Linnahall, 9 September 2011

2011 Margit Aule, 'LIFT11 – sekkumised linnaruumi' ['LIFT11: interventions in urban space'] (at the 'Ökomäss 2011' workshop) in Tallinn, Telliskivi Creative City, 9 September 2011

2011 Margit Aule, 'Installatiivne meetod' ['The installative method'] (at 'LIFT UP! 3', an introductory event of the [LIFT11 urban installations festival](#)) in Tallinn, MÄRZ project space, 17 March 2011

2011 Margit Aule, 'Waiting for the summer' (at the workshop 'Linnaplaneerimise protsess Helsingis ja Tallinnas' ['The process of urban planning in Helsinki and Tallinn']) in Helsinki, conference hall of the Helsinki City Planning Committee (Kansakoulukatu 3), 2 March 2011

2011 Margit Aule, 'Very young architects in Estonia: activities and trends' in Glasgow School of Art, Mackintosh Lecture Hall, 2 February 2011

2008 Margit Kärner, 'Meremaastikud. Mereplaneerimisest ja inimtegevuse võimalikkusest merel' ['Seascapes. Maritime planning and the possibility of human activity at sea'] (at the annual summer event of the Estonian Association of Architects and the Estonian Association of Interior Architects) in Roosta, 8 August 2008

2005 Margit Kärner, 'Lasnamäe. Universaalsed stsenaariumid' ['Lasnamäe. Universal scenarios'] (at Lasnamäe District Development Conference) in Tallinn, assembly hall of the Laagna Gymnasium, 4 May 2005

## Other

2009–2011 Organisation and curation of the [LIFT11 urban installations festival](#) as part of the programme of Tallinn 2011, European Capital of Culture, by Margit Argus, Margit Aule, Maarin Ektermann and Ingrid Ruudi