

**Vera Frederiksen Zhotkevich, born 1979 in St.-Petersburg (Leningrad), living in Karlskrona, Sweden since 2007. Textile Artist, Designer, Illustrator.**

### **Education**

2007-2008 Bäckedal folk high School, Sweden, the textile line / thread possibilities

2000-2002 Pre-examination for PhD student work. 2 years of research in ancient time's textile production and costume history (history of art) St. Petersburg's State Educational University

1995 - 2000 St. Petersburg State Educational University, Faculty of Art Studies. Master's degree in decorative art, degree year 2000

1986 - 1995 School and gymnasium 148 in St. Petersburg.

Language specialization, advanced studies in Spanish and English.

### **Language skills**

Swedish - fluent

English – good

Danish - good

Spanish - basic knowledge.

Russian - Mother tongue

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Since September 2010, own company "V-Design" that profiles on recycled textiles,

Genuine Textile Crafts, Manufacturing of Eco-Friendly Customized Clothing and

Interior design, courses in respective areas, visual arts.

Spring 2017 Guest teacher at Textilmuseet in Borås, cooperation between Textilmuseet and the Sju Häradernas Hemhjöjdsföreningen

June - November 2016 – Blekinge Region, Project KommIn - Illustrator, Text Writer, Lecturer

16.08.01 - 04.08.16 - Course leader and lecturer at the International Felting Symposium KreaTov, Hemse, Gotland, course in clothing design for felt and lecture with discussion about the woolen place in today's textile and arts crafts.

Qualified teacher in visual art and visual communication for elementary school and high school.

Aug.2008 - ongoing Textile Craft Teacher, Karlskrona Municipality

June 2012 - ongoing - Litorina Folk High School, course leader in visual arts, evening classes, distance courses

Aug 2008 - June 2014 Course leader at Medborgarskolan in several courses in arts and crafts

August 2007 - moves to Sweden as the Swedish Institute's fellow student for detailed studies in ancient textile production based at Bäckedal Folkhögskola.

2006- 2007 Architect Studio "PRO Style" Interior designer and decorator, business partner

2004 - 2006 "Laverna House" Interior designer and decorator.

Freelance designer and decorator for interior and theater

2000 - 2004 School for further education for children and teens, teacher in Textile Craft and art history, incl. Program for students with special needs.

1999 - 2007 freelance assignment as interior decorator and textile designer

1998 - 2000 Education Centers "Frunzensky Aesthetics", St. Petersburg Teacher in Art History and Textile.