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## Qualifications

Applied Theatre, B.A.  
Award Date: 30. Jun 2016  
Product Development, M.Sc. (eng.), Tampere University of Technology  
Award Date: 31. Jan 2013  
Theatre and Education, 25 ECTS specialisation  
Award Date: 25. May 2011

## Employment

**PhD Fellow**  
Department of Design og Kommunikation  
University of Southern Denmark  
Kolding  
1. Sep 2017 → 31. Aug 2020

**PhD Fellow**  
SDU Design  
University of Southern Denmark  
1. Jan 1998 → present

## Projects

**Carbon Dioxide Theatre at Västmanland County Museum**  
Larsen, H., Ryöppy, M. & Strøbech, E.  
01/12/2018 → 31/12/2019

**Heracles: Patient Empowerment**  
Larsen, H., Markussen, T., Heiberg Skouby, A., Strøbech, E. & Ryöppy, M.  
01/09/2018 → 31/08/2021

**Participatory theatre in the design of public services**  
Larsen, H. & Ryöppy, M.  
01/01/2017 → 30/09/2018

**Prometheus: Patient Empowerment**  
Larsen, H., Heiberg Skouby, A., Friis, P., Ryöppy, M. & Strøbech, E.  
01/09/2015 → 31/08/2018

## Activities

**Carbon Dioxide Theatre workshop 5: Project dissemination among museum staff, public organisations and young people**  
Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Henry Larsen (Organizer), Elena Strøbech (Organizer)  
4. Oct 2019

**Carbon Dioxide Theatre workshop 4: Reflection**

Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Henry Larsen (Organizer)  
23. May 2019

**Carbon Dioxide Theatre workshop 3: Koldioxidteater with museum visitors**

Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Henry Larsen (Organizer), Elena Strøbech (Organizer)  
26. Apr 2019 → 27. Apr 2019

**Carbon Dioxide Theatre workshop 2: Object lifestories and LCA**

Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Elena Strøbech (Organizer)  
5. Apr 2019 → 6. Apr 2019

**Carbon Dioxide Theatre workshop 1: Exploring social norms**

Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Henry Larsen (Organizer), Elena Strøbech (Organizer)  
8. Feb 2019 → 9. Feb 2019

**Participatory theatre in the design of public services**

Merja Ryöppy (Participant), Henry Larsen (Organizer), Elena Strøbech (Organizer)  
11. Jun 2018 → 14. Jun 2018

**Tracking Well-Being – Design Explorations Through Object Theatre**

Andreas Heiberg Skouby (Organizer), Merja Ryöppy (Organizer)  
18. Apr 2018

**Participatory theatre in the design of public services**

Merja Ryöppy (Participant), Henry Larsen (Organizer), Preben Friis (Participant)  
8. Jan 2018 → 10. Jan 2018

**Participatory theatre in the design of public services**

Henry Larsen (Organizer), Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Preben Friis (Organizer)  
4. Oct 2017 → 6. Oct 2017

**Participatory theatre in the design of public services**

Henry Larsen (Organizer), Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Preben Friis (Organizer)  
25. Jan 2017 → 27. Jan 2017

**International Conference on narratives of Health and Illness**

Henry Larsen (Organizer), Preben Friis (Organizer), Merja Ryöppy (Organizer)  
16. Nov 2016 → 18. Nov 2016

**Teaterworkshop, Prometheus**

Andreas Heiberg Skouby (Organizer), Henry Larsen (Organizer), Jette Ammentorp (Organizer), Eva Knutz (Organizer), Preben Friis (Organizer), Gitte Thybo Pihl (Organizer), Connie Timmermann (Organizer), Thomas Markussen (Participant), Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Peter Gall Krogh (Participant), Salu Ylirisku (Organizer)  
30. Mar 2016

**Theatre workshop for 150 nurse students**

Henry Larsen (Organizer), Merja Ryöppy (Organizer), Preben Friis (Organizer)  
2016

**Research outputs**

Imagining Data-Objects for Reflective Self-Tracking

Karyda, M., Ryöppy, M., Buur, J. & Lucero, A., 2020, *ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems*. ACM Conference on Human Factors in Computing Systems, 12 p. 715

**Carbon theatre in public spaces: Using participatory theatre and co-design methods in a museum for shaping lowcarbon lifestyles**

Brunklaus, B., Reitsma, L., Schaeffer, J. & Ryöppy, M., 2019, *Life Cycle Management Conference 2019*. Poznan, Polen, Vol. 9. 97

**Our burden: Carbondioxide theatre for climate action**

Reitsma, L., Ho, H., Brunklaus, B., Nyström, S., Brikhan, W., Schaeffer, J., Ryöppy, M., Larsen, H. & Strøbech, E., 2019.

**PDFI: Participatory design fiction with vulnerable users**

Nägele, L. V., Ryöppy, M. & Wilde, D., 29. Sep 2018, *NordiCHI 2018: Revisiting the Life Cycle - Proceedings of the 10th Nordic Conference on Human-Computer Interaction*. Association for Computing Machinery, p. 819-831

**PROMETHEUS - empowering patients: Patient empowerment for effective health care - hen mod et effektivt sundhedsvæsen - für ein effektives Gesundheitswesen**

Prell, F., Jünemann, K-P., Kalz, A., Heiberg Skouby, A., Grauslund, A-M. H., Knauf, A-F., Ehlers, C., Timmermann, C., Knutz, E., Böhler, G., Thybo Pihl, G., Larsen, H., Ammentorp, J., Lyhs, J., Wolderslund, M., Ryöppy, M., Krogh, P. G., Friis, P., Birkelund, R. & Markussen, T., 18. May 2018, Kiel: Universitätsklinikum Schleswig-Holstein. 258 p.

**Tracking Well-Being: Design Explorations Through Object Theatre**

Heiberg Skouby, A., Ryöppy, M. & Mitchell, R., 20. Mar 2018, *Proceedings of the Twelfth International Conference on Tangible, Embedded, and Embodied Interaction*. Association for Computing Machinery, p. 744-747

**Engaging the vulnerable encounter: engendering narratives for change in healthcare practice by using participatory theatre methods**

Heape, C., Larsen, H. & Ryöppy, M., 2018, *Illness narratives in practice: Potentials and challenges of using narratives in health-related contexts*. Lucius-Hoene, G., Holmberg, C. & Meyer, T. (eds.). Oxford University Press, p. 175-187

**Object theatre in field studies**

Ryöppy, M., Bach Poulsen, S., Konstantinovs, P. & Ylirisku, S., 2018, *Proceedings of Participatory Innovation Conference 2018*. p. 286-293

**Exploring Power with Object Theatre**

Ryöppy, M., Ylirisku, S. & Knutz, E., Jun 2017, *Proceedings of the NORDES 2017 Conference*. 7 p. (Nordic Design Research; No. 7).

**Postdramatic theatre in smart city design**

Ryöppy, M., Ylirisku, S., Friis, P. & Buur, J., 2016, *Academic Mindtrek '16: Proceedings of the 20th International Academic Mindtrek Conference*. Association for Computing Machinery, p. 462-465

**Workshop Proposal: Object theatre in design**

Friis, P., Ryöppy, M. & Buur, J., 7. Jun 2015, *Nordes 2015: Design Ecologies*. 2 p. (Nordic Design Research; No. 6).

**Design Participation As Postdramatic Theatre**

Ryöppy, M., Lima, P. & Buur, J., 18. May 2015, *Proceedings of the 4th Participatory Innovation Conference 2015*. Valkenburg, R., Dekkers, C. & Sluijs, J. (eds.). The Hague: The Hague University of Applied Sciences, p. 47-50

**Object theatre: a playful understanding of design**

Ryöppy, M. & Heiberg Skouby, A., 18. May 2015, *Proceedings of the 4th Participatory Innovation Conference 2015*. Valkenburg, R., Dekkers, C. & Sluijs, J. (eds.). The Hague: The Hague University of Applied Sciences, p. 458-461

## **Teaching and supervision**

### **Design Specialisation: Interviews with Objects and Theatre**

Merja Ryöppy  
09/01/2017 → 27/01/2017

### **Design Specialisation: Koldioksidteater**

Merja Ryöppy, Henry Larsen & Elena Strøbech  
07/01/2019 → 25/01/2019

### **Design Specialisation: Personal Data Objects**

Merja Ryöppy  
08/01/2018 → 26/01/2018

### **Exploring Design**

& Merja Ryöppy  
18/09/2017 → 24/11/2017

### **Form, betydning og kommunikation**

Toke Riis Ebbesen, Merja Ryöppy & Elena Strøbech  
13/04/2018 → 13/04/2018

### **Idræt og Design**

Lars Elbæk, Merja Ryöppy & Jan Christian Brønd  
06/11/2017 → 31/01/2018

### **Interactive Objects**

, Mette Gislev Kjærsgaard, & Merja Ryöppy  
05/11/2015 → 27/11/2015

### **Object Interaction**

, Jacob Buur, Merja Ryöppy &  
24/10/2016 → 11/11/2016

### **Object Theatre in Design**

Jacob Buur, , Merja Ryöppy &  
15/09/2014 → 25/09/2014

### **Professional advisory, consulting and sales**

Jesper Raalskov, Bent Warming-Rasmussen, & Merja Ryöppy  
11/05/2018 → 11/05/2018

### **Professional advisory, consulting and sales**

Jesper Raalskov, Bent Warming-Rasmussen, & Merja Ryöppy  
05/05/2017 → 05/05/2017

**Professional Apprenticeship: Data Partners**

Merja Ryöppy  
05/02/2018 → 31/05/2019

**Professional Apprenticeship: Interviews with Objects and Theatre**

Merja Ryöppy  
01/03/2017 → 02/06/2017

**Professional Apprenticeship: Koldioksidteater**

Merja Ryöppy, Elena Strøbech & Henry Larsen  
04/02/2019 → 05/04/2019

**Theatre in Design**

Henry Larsen, Jacob Buur, Thomas Markussen, Mette Gislev Kjærsgaard, & Merja Ryöppy  
22/08/2016 → 26/08/2016