

singer / songwriter / shamisen player

Yuzu Natsumi



Yuzu Natsumi is a singer and songwriter who uses shamisen, a kind of traditional Japanese instrument in a modern and in a traditional way. With her shamisen and her catchy rhythms, she introduces the beauty and sophistication of Japanese culture to the world, through her original songs and her traditional and pop music.

Although completely involved in her music, Yuzu Natsumi is a versatile artist who devotes herself to many activities, from performances in live houses, to the presentation of radio programs. And as a defender of Kiyari, a traditional music from Tokyo, she performs this art as a member of the first entirely female professional group of Kiyari.

Far from just performing in Japan, to share her love of traditional Japanese culture, she travels all around the world, from the United States, Europe to Asia. In 2020 she performs in Japan Expo Thailand 2020 (January in Bangkok, Thailand), Japan Expo Paris 21th (July in Paris, France), and in some other countries.

International Performances

August 2015 NewYork, US (Blue Note New York)

April 2016 New York, US (Brooklyn Sakura Matsuri main stage “Yuzu’s Dream - an Urban Folk Odyssey”)

May 2018 Yuzu Natsumi US Tour 2018
(California/ New York/ Boston 27 performances in 2 months)

August 2018 Bali, Indonesia (Collaboration performance with Anom Baris,
the leading dancer of Balinese traditional dance)

November 2018 Solo performance at Club Citta’ Kawasaki (Japan)

Decemer 2018 Singapore (Asia TV Forum & Market)

January 2019 Thailand (Japan Expo Thailand 2019)

March 2019 Hong Kong (Hong Kong Filmart)
May 2019 Serbia (Okonomiyaki Kapri -tastes of Japan- / Workshop at Belgrade University)
July 2019 France (Japan Expo Paris 2019)
August 2019 Serbia
September 2019 Thailand
December 2019 China (Shenzhen)/ Taiwan
January 2020 Cambodia/ Vietnam/ Thailand (Japan Expo Thailand 2020)/ India (Odisha Japan Festival 2020)

Upcoming Performances

April 2020 U.S. (Boston Japan Festival 2020 / New York Brooklyn Botanic Garden Sakura Matsuri)
May 2020 Turkey Japan Culture & Art Exhibition
July 2020 France Japan Expo Paris 21st
July 2020 U.K. Hyper Japan London 2020

Discography

“California Dreams” Yuzu Natsumi & Kyle Abbott (2018)

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/album/california-dreams/1442868512>

Album “YUZU” Produced By Bashiri Johnson (2016)

<https://itunes.apple.com/jp/album/yuzu/id1176779725>

Yuzu’s original album “Nursery Rhyme” (2017)

<https://itunes.apple.com/jp/album/わらべうた/1228567092>



↑ Jul. 2019 Japan Expo Paris



↑ Jan. 2019 Japan Expo Thailand



↑ Feb.2020 Elementary School in India



← Nov.2018 Japan Club Citta' Kawasaki



↑ May 2018 U.S. California
Sonoma Matsuri



←Aug. 2018 Indonesia
Collaboration with Semara Ratih, traditional
Balinese performance team