

Shingo Masuda + Katsuhisa Otsubo

Biography / Awards / Publication

Shingo and Katsuhisa started their career in Tokyo right after they graduated from University in 2007 and got fully registered in 2015. Shingo, born 1982, graduated with Bachelor of Arts in Architecture from Musashino Art University, and is a Lecturer/Critic at Department of Architecture, Musashino Art University from 2010, Baird Visiting Critic at Cornell University 2015, and has been a specially appointed associate professor at Meiji University in 2019-2022. Katsuhisa, born 1983, graduated with Bachelor of Arts in Architecture from Tokyo University of Fine Art and Music.

Awards / Publications Their works have won numbers of architectural prizes, including SD Review, well known as award for young architects in Japan, Winner in 2008 and 2009, "Gold Prize" from JCD Design Award from Japan Commercial Environmental Design Association in 2011 and 2014, "RUNNER-UP" in AR Emerging Architecture Awards from the Architectural Review in 2011, "WINNER" in AR Emerging Architecture Awards from the Architectural Review in 2014. In 2015, they won a prestigious award, Yoshioka Prize from Shinkenchiku (Japan Architect) in 2015. They were selected to be part of the team for the Japanese Pavilion of the Venice Biennale 2016 where they received special mention. Their works have been published in publications including Japan Architect, Global Architecture, Architecture Review, and MARK. Many projects were cover project for Japan Architect. Their solo exhibition entitled "Shingo Masuda + Katsuhisa Otsubo: Is It Truly Necessary?" was held at TOTO Gallery Ma in 2020. They also have published their monograph "Adaptation" from TOTO Publishing in 2020. Their recent projects are wide to housings, weekend housings, housing development in the forest, retails, brand consulting, and town planning.