



# TAKUYA TANIGUCHI THE TAIKOIST

From childhood to the future and beyond

- How TAKUYA lived with Taiko and how TAKUYA will live with Taiko -



Photo: Klaus Storch

## ABOUT

TAKUYA TANIGUCHI is Japan's No.1 Taiko player

- As Japan's No.1 Taiko player, TAKUYA calls himself a 'TAIKO-IST' because he is the master of Taiko.
- TAKUYA represents what Taiko can do. The sounds of his Taiko are the true Taiko sounds, developed through his training and discipline over 35 years.
- TAKUYA works as a dedicated musician/composer and his performance range is wide and various (Solo - Ensemble - Orchestra).
- TAKUYA creates the most thrilling moments with his passion towards Taiko.
- Taiko is TAKUYA's life and his journey will never end, as the sound of Taiko is like a human's heartbeat.

*TAKUYA's Taiko should be the very first Taiko you listen to.*

## PROFILE

TAKUYA has been playing the Taiko from the age of three. At the age of 16, he founded a Taiko group called "TENRYU-DAIKO". In July 2002 he won a special prize at the "Viennese World Youth Music Festival" in Vienna. In 2003 he was accepted into his master Eitetsu Hayashi's ensemble called "FUUN-NO-KAI". Since he became a professional Taiko player, he has performed on many occasions such as: the International Taiko Festival Ecstasia, Tokyo Summer Music Festival 2004, a performance at the National Theatre in Tokyo with "KU-KAI-SEN-KYO" and many more exciting events throughout his career.

In 2011 TAKUYA moved to Germany and became a regular member of the German drum group called "Drumaturgia" and he has been on tour with the "World Percussion Ensemble" and Walter Lang across many cities in Europe and in Japan. In the past years, he has visited over 23 countries through his Taiko performances.

*For a true Taiko adventure, TAKUYA is your man.  
TAIKO is TAKUYA. TAKUYA is TAIKO.*

## PORTFOLIO

### SOLO TAIKO ARTIST

- SHORT PERFORMANCES
- CONCERTS

e.g.

- Solo concert at Japanese Culture Institute Köln: January 2018

- Taiko Concert Nights: May 2019 & 2022

- Solo performance at National Theatre in Nis (Serbia): Nov 2019

### ENSEMBLE MEMBER

- TAIKU YA TANIGUCHI ENSEMBLE (Piano, Bass, Violin, Shakuhachi, Shamisen): Multiple concerts in Tokyo & Fukui, Japan
- TAIKO GROUP: Eitetsu Fuun no Kai & Tenryu daiko (Japan), Feniks Taiko (Belgium), Taiko In-Spiration (Russia)
- WORLD PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE ([Link](#)): Tour in Germany, Brasil and concert in Norway
- DRUMATURGIA AND FRIENDS ([Link](#)): Münchner Gasteig Black box, BMW, MusicfestION, Blues Jazz Festival, etc...
- POWER PERCUSSION – RHYTHM AROUND THE WORLD ([Link](#)) Concert tour since 2020

### COMPOSER

- TAIKO REPERTOIRE

Batsuzan Gaisei 1998 / Denshou no Hibiki 2000 / Umi no Hana 2002 / Shinotsuku Ame 2011 / Nebuta 2018

- ORCHESTRA REPERTOIRE

Yamagami 2002 / Saryu 2002 / Kamitoki 2003 / Hachijou 2017 / Seele 2018

### EDUCATION

- WORKSHOPS FOR LOCAL TAIKO GROUPS: WADOKYO (Germany), Feniks Taiko (Belgium), Taiko In-Spiration (Russia)
- EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME FOR UNIVERSITIES
- CULTURAL EXCHANGE SESSIONS



## THE VISION

**BUILD UP A GLOBAL INTEREST FOR TAIKO AS JAPANESE ART**  
Festival Performances & A Series of Workshops and Educational Programmes

- WORLD MUSIC FESTIVALS
- CHILDREN & YOUTH EDUCATION

**EUROPE TOUR - ACROSS THE CONTINENT**  
Repertoire: Solo Programme

- CONCERT TOUR
- FESTIVALS

**WORLD´S MOST REKNOWNED CONCERT HALL TOUR**  
Repertoire: Taiko Compositions for Orchestra

- ORCHESTRA TOUR
- CONCERTS WITH THE LOCAL ORCHESTRAS

**CREATIVE WORKS FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE As a Performer and/or a Composer**

- COMPOSITION FILM/THEATER MUSIC
- COMPOSITION FOR ORCHESTRA
- POP ARTIST´S LIFE PERFORMANCES
- TV/MEDIA ADVERTS & PROMOTION



## MEDIA/SNS



## TAKUYA`S RECENT WORK

Festival dell' Oriente ([Link](#)): every year since 2018

JAPAN ART FESTIVAL ([Link](#)): München (Schloss Nymphenburg) Wien (Schonbrunn) Paris(Halle des BlancsManteaux)

Opening of Japan related exhibitions at Museum of Five Continents ([Link](#)): Apr 2019 & Nov 2021

Leipzig Book Fair ([Link](#)): March 2019

JAPAN TAG in Düsseldorf ([Link](#)): May 2019

HITACHI Vantara Forum at BMW World: May 2019

DAIKIN: July 2019

The 50th anniversary event of the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich: July 2022

## MUSIC/PERFORMANCE SAMPLES

- Youtube Channel ([Link](#))

- Performance Sample Video (Taiko set & Odaiko) ([Link](#))

- Performance with a band ([Link](#))

(TAKUYA's original song 'Saryu' with Bass, Violin, Piano, and Shakuhachi)

- Sample Music of Taiko with Orchestra ([Link](#))

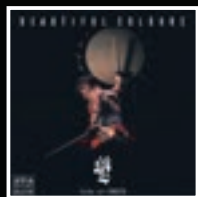
(TAKUYA's original songs 'YAMAGAMI - The Gods of mountains -' & 'Die Seele - The Soul -' arrangement for Orchestra)

## DISCOGRAPHY

- 'Yuujou' Joint album by TAKUYA and Walter Lang(German jazz pianist) in 2010. ([Link](#))
- 'TYCONIST' His first original album in 2015 released from Nippon Columbia. ([Link](#))
- TAKUYA also joined the albums of World Percussion Ensemble ([Link](#))

- **TAKUYA's original taiko album 'Beautiful Colours'** is on the 5 major streaming services on iTunes, Spotify, Amazon Music, Deezer, Tidal

-The album was recorded in London in December 2019 and TAKUYA played all the Taiko parts including Odaiko, Okedo taiko and Shime daiko



Download 'Beautiful Colours' from the links below





Worldwide activities are planned throughout his career and schedule ahead.

Sponsorship offers/suggestions are welcome and much appreciated.

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