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Born and working in Tokyo, Japan

### Educations

Central Saint Martins College of Art and Design, Bachelor of Fine Arts, 2008  
Chelsea College of Art and Design, Foundation Course, 2005  
Tama Art University, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Printmaking, 2004  
Tokyo High School of Art and Music, Oil Painting, 2000

### Solo Exhibitions

2019 Vient Arts Gallery, Takasaki  
2018 GÉODÉSIQUE, Tokyo and Kobe  
2016 S.Y.P Art Space, Tokyo  
2015 Art gallery FABulous, Tokyo  
2014 Youkobo Artspace, Tokyo  
2012 Youkobo Artspace, Tokyo  
2010 LOOP HOLE, Tokyo  
2009 Gallery Q, Tokyo

### Duo exhibition

2024 *Beyond Existence*, Walls Tokyo Gallery, Tokyo  
2017 *Nakanojo Biennale 2017, Preview show*, Seibu-Shibuya, Tokyo

### Selected Group Exhibitions

2024 Kobe Rokko Meets Art Beyond 2024, Mt.Rokko Arts Center, Hyogo, Japan  
2023 *Nakanojo Biennale 2023*, Kyu-Baigetsu, Gunma Japan  
2021 *Still Life*, La Chartreuse, Avignon, France  
*Nakanojo Biennale 2021*, Kataya, Gunma Japan  
2019 *Kamiyama Artist in Residence*, Yorii-za, Tokushima, Japan  
2018 対流風景 / *Convective Scenery*, 53 Art Museum, Guangzhou China  
2017 *Kitasando Alternative Final*, Kitasando Alternative, Tokyo  
*Touching the light*, akibatamabi21 in 3331, Tokyo  
*Nakanojo Biennale 2017*, Isama School, Gunma Japan  
2016 ALT★TERA, Myouzen-temple, Tokyo  
*New Artists' the second assessment*, Art Gallery ATLIA, Saitama  
2015 *The first decade of LOOP HOLE*, LOOP HOLE, Tokyo  
*Nakanojo Biennale 2015*, Former Daisan Elementary School, Gunma Japan  
2014 *Yoru-No-Garou*, Youkobo art space, Tokyo  
*Artist in Residence? Singapore! From the scene of Project 6581*, Youkobo art space, Tokyo  
*Project6581*, Japan Creative Center, Singapore  
2013 *TOROLLES IN THE PARK*, Zenpukuzi Park, Tokyo  
*Project6581: Mosaic Triangle*, INSTINC, Singapore  
*Chocolate De Fucyu*, LOOP HOLE, Tokyo

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- 2012 *TOROLLES IN THE PARK*, Zenpukuzi Park, Tokyo  
*YADOKARI TOKYO Projected Exhibition*, Gloria Building, Tokyo  
*Unknown Life No.3*, UNDERGROUND, Tokyo
- 2011 *Skin and Map II*, Shinjuku Ganka Garou, Tokyo
- 2010 *TAMA VIVANT II*, Tama Art University and 2 other spaces, Tokyo
- 2009 *The Heartwarming Exhibition*, Gallery Q, Tokyo  
*Workspace at Local behaviour*, Vacant, Tokyo
- 2008 *Other Asias – InFormation*, Nolias Gallery, London  
*Gunma Youth Biennale*, Modern Art Museum, Gunma  
*Presentation&Exhibition*, Art Court Gallery, Osaka  
*CMS Degree Show*, Central Saint Martins College, London  
*Salon Locale 08*, gallery: space, London
- 2006 *I've been showing a lot lately*, Central Saint Martins College, London
- 2004 *Studio Show*, Chelsea College of Art and Design, London  
*27th Joint Graduation Exhibition of Five Art University*, Tokyo Art Museum, Tokyo

#### Bibliography

- ART WORKS 2021, *Nakanojo Biennale 2021 Catalogue*, 2022
- Nakanojo Biennale International Art Exchange Program 2018, *Catalogue*, 2020
- ART WORKS 2017, *Nakanojo Biennale 2017 Catalogue*, 2018
- STEAMPUNK ORIENTAL LABORATORY 01, *Thematic catalogue*, 2018
- ART WORKS 2015, *Nakanojo Biennale 2015 Catalogue*, 2016
- Interview*, Singapore Architecture vol.278, 2014
- Interview*, Catalogue for Unknown exhibition, 2013
- LESS COMMON MORE SENSE, Second cover and Third cover, vol.13, Sep 17, 2009

#### Collections

Works are held in Katsurao village, and private collections in Japan, Singapore, the United States and Australia.

#### Curatorial projects

- 2017 *'Touching the light'* at AKIBA-TAMABI 21 in 3331, Tokyo
- 2015 *'Dark Matters'* Collaborative performance with Dominique Baron Bonarjee
- 2014 *'KUBO-CHI'* I was a member of the artist collective, and we projected 11 exhibitions at Youkobo Artspace.

#### Residencies

- 2023 November, Katsurao-Mura, Fukushima, Japan
- 2015, 2017, 2021, 2023 Nakanojo city, Gunma, Japan
- 2021 SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER, Echangeur 22, Occitanie, France
- 2019 SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER, Kamiyama Artist in Residence, Tokushima, Japan
- 2018 NOVEMBER, 対流風景 / Convective Scenery, Guangzhou China
- 2017 APRIL-SEPTEMBER, Nakanojo city, Gunma, Japan
- 2016 JUNE, AiR Nordland, Bodo, Norway
- 2013 AUGUST, INSTINC, Singapore

#### Workshops

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2023 November, Origami workshop, Katsurao village.

2019 October, Monster-making workshop, Kamiyama Junior High School.