Masami Aihara

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1961 born and raised in Mitaka city, Tokyo.
1980 Tokyo Art and Music high school, sculpture course.
1985 Tama Art University Sculpture course.
1987 Tama Art University postgraduate, sculpture department.
1989 Rikkyo University completed the curator course.

1991- start to take part in International Sculpture Symposium in Georgia, Turkey, Greece, and Vietnam.
1997- opened the studio in Obihiro, Hokkaido and moved there.
Involved as an art coordinator in urban development, store design, NPO activities, and teaching at JHS.
2006- have been an artist-in-residence in Finland, The Netherlands, and The United Kingdom, where I have produced workshops and exhibited on the site.

In recent years, focusing on workshops and collaborative work by my own project, and have been deepening my own sculpture expression while working with children and adults who are a little bit difficult to work with in the local community.
Public art works in Hokkaido: Kitanoyatai, and Obihiro University of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine.
If you have plan to come to Obihiro, please contact me anytime.
Let's enjoy art together!

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System 2017 @KushiroCitiyMuseum

Water Vein 2012 @PSQT.UK

Sounds of human 2021 @popke Hokkaido

[Exhibition]

2021. Senbei + Masami collaboration show / popke [Hokkaido Japan]
2020 Solo show / Kushiro city museum touring exhibition [Hokkaido Japan]
2019. Helena Kaikkonen + Masami Aihara / Anna Anna [Hokkaido Japan]
2017. Kiichi Katsumizu + Masami Aihara / Kushiro city museum [Hokkaido Japan]
2017. Solo show Circ-Shift / Galleria Oryza [Hokkaido Japan]
2017. Face to Face / Galleria Oryza [Hokkaido Japan]
2016. Face to Face / Kulttuuri Kauppila [Ii Finland] / Tokarune [Hokkaido Japan]
2014. Mini show / Shanghai Garden [Tokyo Japan]
2005~20「NPO Northern brick lovers」permanent exhibition
Kita Renga gallery [Hokkaido Japan]
1998. Fountain ／ Hokkaido hotel [Hokkaido Japan]
1996. Helen Ramsaran + Masami Aihara ／ Atagoyama gallery [Tokyo Japan]
1990. Solo show ／ Atagoyama gallery [Tokyo Japan]
1988. Solo show ／ Sone gallery [Tokyo Japan]
1987. Echo of the day ／ Ohkurayama memorial hall [Kanagawa Japan]
1987. Echo of the day･2 ／ Nerima museum [Tokyo Japan]

[Group show / Symposium]

2025. Asian ship / Fujisawa city Art Space [Kanagawa Japan]
2024. Asian Ship / FEI ART MUSEUM [Yokohama Japan]
2024. Hikidashi Art / popke [Hokkaido Japan]
2022. My class Ⅱ/ Setagaya city museum [Tokyo Japan]
2022. Wind, gathering 2022 / Makura showcase [Hokkaido Japan]
2021. Wind, gathering / Makura showcase [Hokkaido Japan]
2019. AMUAi Autumn art event AMUAi [Hokkaido Japan]
2017-18. Obihiro Hot mug festa touring exhibition in Obihiro city [Hokkaido Japan]
2016. Artist in Residence Kulttuuri Kauppila [Ii Finland]
2015. Minus art exhibition [Obihiro Hokkaido]
2013. Face / Gallery Espace [Tokyo Japan]
2012. Artist in Residence / Portland Sculpture Quarry Trust [England]
2012. Micro residence report exhibition / Youkobo [Tokyo Japan]
2012. Oketo Contemporary Art / former Akita Primary school [Hokkaido]
2011. The 100days in the Shinshokaku･Obihiro Contemporary Art
/ Manabe Garden [Hokkaido Japan]
2010. Symposion Gorinchem･Beelden aan de rivieren / Gorinchem [Holland]
2009. 60th Art Keukenhof / Lisse [Holland]

2008. Art Keukenhof / Lisse [Holland]
2007. International sculpture exhibition / Gifu Museum [Gifu Japan]
2007. Op de Rotte / Rotterdam [Holland]
2006. Kulttuuri Kauppila Artist in residence / Ii [Finland]
2005. Torso exhibition / Gallery Nanohana ［Odawara Japan］
2005. 2nd International sculpture symposium / Chau doc ［Vietnam］
2004. 3rd Trolls in a Metropolitan green park / Zenpukuji ［Tokyo Japan］
2004. 2nd International sculpture symposium / Ankara ［Turkey］
2003. International sculpture symposium for 65th / Solnechnogorsk ［Russia］
2003 Japan – Turkey International sculpture exhibition "Interaction"
/ Kyoto Seika University ･Keio plaza hotel ［Kyoto･Tokyo Japan］
2002. 4th Exhibition of international creative-women / Setagaya museum [Tokyo Japan]
2002. 2nd Huseyin Gezer International sculpture symposium / Mersin ［Turkey］
2002. LIFE･COLOR･FORUM 2002 / Gallery Brocken ［Tokyo Japan］
2002. 12th The stone gathering / Hirukawa ［Gifu Japan］
2002. International biennale miniature-art / Quebec ［Canada］
2001. 11th The stone gathering / Hirukawa ［Gifu Japan］
2000. International sculpture symposium "Cultural MAY 2000" / Drama［Greece］
1999. International sculpture symposium / Thessaloniki ［Greece］
1995. International sculpture exhibition / Tbilisi ［Georgia USSR］
1993. International sculpture symposium / Rustavi ［Georgia USSR］
1990. Party-5 ／ Toshiba build ［Tokyo Japan］
1988. Party-3 ／ Toshiba build ［Tokyo Japan］

[Public Appearances / Collections]

2024. The moment of Season Private collection / Nagasaki Japan
2016. 36 Garage Private collection / Hokkaido Japan
2011. Silent Flame Private collection / Hokkaido Japan
2009. Lesves / Bird Keiai hospital / Hokkaido Japan
2008. Keuken Private collection / Osaka Japan
2008. Hidden Water Garden Iori no Sakura / Hokkaido Japan
2007. Tree House Private collection / Hokkaido Japan
2006. Lotus Ii Town hall / Ii Finland
2002. Window of Passage Tokachigawa hot spring / Hokkaido Japan
2001. Ｉｋｉｎｕｋｉｎ Kita no Yatai / Hokkaido Japan
2000. Begin Rafure Saitama / Saitama Japan
1997. Bring up water Miyamae post office / Kanagawa Japan
1997. Immanence
Obihiro University of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine / Hokkaido Japan
1995. Earth mirror Melpark Yokohama / Kanagawa Japan

1990.	Saezuri	Utsunomiya / Tochigi Japan
1989.	Talking bird	Shikaribestu / Hokkaido Japan
1988.	Birds in the forest	Shikaribestu / Hokkaido Japan
1987.	Birds in the forest	Koshoku / Nagano Japan

[Workshop, Lecture, Teaching]

2025.	[Language Barrier]	Kyuya / Obihiro, Hokkaido
2024.	[Language Barrier]	sculpture studio / Obihiro Hokkaido
2021.	[Plaster Molding]	Makura showcase / Makubetsu Hokkaido
2017.	[plaster Molding]	All SeeD Association / Obihiro Hokkaido
2016-17.	[Face to Face]	Kulttuuri Kauppila, Tokarune / Ii Finland , Hokkaido

2018,2023.	Lecture [become a sculptor]	Shintoku JHS / Shintoku Hokkaido
2017-19.	Teaching art course	Kuttari JHS / Shintoku Hokkaido