

ART OSAKA 2018

2018.7.7_[sat] – 7.8_[sun] HOTEL GRANVIA OSAKA 26th Floor



ART OSAKA 2018, hotel art fair focusing on contemporary art, will take place on July 7th (Sat) and 8th (Sun)!

We will be exhibiting and selling the 54 gallerists' hand-picked contemporary artworks!



A. KOKI ARTS, ART OSAKA 2017 photo by Mayuko Uno

ART OSAKA 2018 will hold its 16th installment, on the weekend of July 7th and 8th (preview on Friday, July 6th) on the 26th floor of Hotel Granvia Osaka. The venue is directly accessible from JR Osaka station.

ART OSAKA is one of the biggest art fairs in Japan with a focus on contemporary art. This year, 54 galleries will participate, from both Japan and abroad (21 from the Kansai region, 26 from the non-Kansai regions, 3 from Taiwan, and 4 from Korea). 4 galleries will participate in ART OSAKA for the first time. 68 hotel rooms will be turned into exhibition booths.

This year as a new trial, we will set up “U-35 Sections”, holding solo exhibitions, introducing upcoming artists exclusively under 35 years old. In “Exhibition PLUS”, participating galleries will hold solo exhibitions of their represented artists. Individualities of the presented artists and their works will surely make the fair dynamic. During the fair period, “Best Presentation Award” will also be presented, voted for by the fairs' guests.

We sincerely hope that you will come and join us at the annual art festival, **ART OSAKA 2018**, and enjoy involving yourself in the contemporary art world through collecting artworks and voting for the award. So, we appreciate your support in covering this event through the media.

Highlight 1: Introduction of the New Sections U-35

The new program “U-35 Sections” will hold solo exhibitions, introducing upcoming artists exclusively under 35 years old. Two galleries will participate in the program this year: GALLERY KAWAMATSU (Tokyo) will hold the first Japanese solo exhibition of the Vienna-based, masked artist TABBY. They will present “Japan Edition” with canvas works themed around sunrise. GALLERY IDF (Aichi) will present works by Kana Sato, who uses animals

as motif and creates fairy-tale like works by using different materials and techniques such as embroidery and oil paint on canvases.



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1. TABBY 《Path To Success》 Stencil, spray paint on canvas 2018 / GALLERY KAWAMATSU
2. Sato Kana 《Tree of hazel》 Oil, embroidery, canvas 2015 / GALLERY IDF

Highlight 2: Participation of Four New Galleries - Great Chance to Encounter New Talents

Among the galleries participating in ART OSAKA for the first time are: TALION GALLERY (Tokyo) will present a solo exhibition of works by Hiroyuki Nisougi in Exhibition PLUS. Nisougi makes digital works, using paint tools in sketching applications, and his works are shown in museums within the “Contemporary Painting” framework. POETIC SPACE (Tokyo) will present works by Sakiko Nomura, who has predominantly been showing male nude photographs since the 1990s. They will show her series “Ango”, which is themed around a novel by Ango Sakaguchi. Participating from abroad, Der-Horng Art Gallery (Taiwan) will present works by Daisuke Tajima. Tajima makes elaborately-drawn, imaginative urban sceneries and won the first prize in the Tokyo Midtown Award (2015). CAPACIOUS (Osaka) will also participate, presenting works of artists with disabilities, who are based in Osaka.



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3. Hiroyuki Nisougi 《Nashi》 Inkjet print, pen, spray, marker, paper 2013 / TALION GALLERY
4. Sakiko Nomura 《Ango》 Gelatin silver print 2017 / POETIC SPACE
5. Daisuke TAJIMA 《Shuanglong construction excavator》 Mapping pen, ink, kent paper 2017 / Der-Horng Art Gallery

Highlight 3: ART OSAKA's Special Feature: A Lot of Talented Mid-Career and Young Artists' Works Are Exhibited.

The best highlight of ART OSAKA is a great selection of works by celebrated mid-career and young artists. Visitors will have a chance to see their diverse, yet individual art expression all together.

To list of some of the artist: Mitsuhiro Okamoto (b.1968) deals with social issues and copyright issues in his works and gets much attention from media. Miyuki Yokomizo (b.1968) creates works with her unique technique, questioning the existence of painting. She interprets canvas as one kind of space and creates new space by the repetition of an action and its traces. Among the 1980's generation artists are: Ryuichi Ishikawa (b.1984) won the Kimura Ihei Award in 2015 and also was nominated as the finalist in the Nissan Art Award in 2017. Through his portrait photographs, Ishikawa sheds light on different cultures. Works by Kyoko Shindo (b.1982) were selected in the Shell Art Award and the Tokyo Wonder Wall numerous times. Shindo weaves her inquiries about existing things and her own experiences together and makes anonymous portraits. Tsubasa Takahashi (b.1983) uses comic line-like expressions as backgrounds and makes fluid and intricate images with blue and black ballpoint pens. Yasuka Goto (b.1982) won the Sakuya Konohana Award, and makes gigantic, graphic novel-styled war paintings. Goto has participated in the major museum exhibitions in Japan and received much media attention. Please don't miss this chance to see works from these talented artists all in the same location.



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6. Okamoto Mitsuhiro 《Dozaemon》 Mixedmedia(Urethane paint on FRP) 2017 / eitoeiko

7. Miyuki Yokomizo 《line F080.119.2017》 (detail) Oil on canvas 2017 / GALLERY RIN

8. ISHIKAWA Ryuichi 《OUTREMER》 Archival pigment print 2018 / The Third Gallery Aya

9. Kyoko Shindo 《1930 - kiwi fruits》 Water color, acrylic, ink on paper 2018 / YUKI-SIS

10. Tsubasa Takahashi 《untitled (2017 the 11th day after the summer solstice) 》 Ballpoint pen on paper, wood panel 2017 / JILL D'ART GALLERY

11. Yasuka Goto 《The Old Nail of Modigliani MIYAMOTO》 Japanese ink and conté crayon on canvas 2015 / TEZUKAYAMA GALLERY

*Please note that artworks presented in the fair may change without notice.

Highlight 4 : Hot-Topic Talk Event Will Be Held.

“Reconsideration: Art Scene in 1980s” (Japanese only)

In the 1980s, Modernism came to the end and the Postmodernism era began. Art parted from the Modern art tradition and brought forth Postmodernism. This year, exhibitions themed ‘Japanese art of the 1980s’ have been held all over Japan, and the National Museum of Art, Osaka will hold an exhibition “New Wave: Japanese Contemporary Art of the 1980s” this November. Mr. Masahiro Yasugi, the curator of this exhibition, will talk about the fascinating aspects of art in the 1980s from the curator’s point of view.



Masahiro Yasugi
(Head researcher at the National Museum of Art, Osaka)

Dates : 7th(Sat) July 14:00-15:30

Venue : Hotel Granvia Osaka, 20th floor, Crystal room

Guest Speaker : Masahiro Yasugi (Head researcher at the National Museum of Art, Osaka)

Moderator : Yoshio Katoh (President of Contemporary Art Planning KATOH YOSHIO OFFICE, ART OSAKA Committee)

Entrance : Free (The fair entrance, 1500yen, is needed.)

Capacity : 40 people

Advance Registration :

Please send an email to info@artosaka.jp with the required information below to register.

Your name, number of participants (maximum 2), and phone number which is reachable on the day.

ART OSAKA 2018 Exhibitors *Gallery participating in ART OSAKA for the first time.

[Osaka] Note Gallery / Gallery Nomart / Gallery Yamaguchi kunst-bau / Osaka University of Arts / The Third Gallery Aya / capacious* / Nii Fine Arts / DMOARTS / Gallery Hosokawa / Gallery KAZE / Yoshiaki Inoue Gallery / ARTCOURT Gallery / studio J / YOD Gallery / TEZUKAYAMA GALLERY

[Kyoto] gallery incurve kyoto / Galerie Miyawaki / ASHIYAGARO kyoto / Gallery Artzone Kaguraoka / MORI YU GALLERY / Finch Arts

[Aichi] AIN SOPH DISPATCH / JILL D'ART GALLERY / GALLERY IDF / GALLERY APA / LAD GALLERY SHUMOKU GALLERY

[Tokyo] Gallery OUT of PLACE / Yorozu Gallery / KOKI ARTS / SHINOBAZU GALLERY / Röntgenwerke AG / YUKI-SIS / MEM / MEGUMI OGITA GALLERY / hpgrp GALLERY / GALLERY TARGET / TALION GALLERY* / GALLERY KAWAMATSU / eitoeiko / POETIC SCAPES* / GALLERY RIN / GALLERY KOGURE / Tachibana Gallery / Sansiao Gallery | MASATAKA CONTEMPORARY / YUKIKO KOIDE PRESENTS / JIRO MIURA GALLERY

[Korea] Keumsan Gallery / AP Gallery / Gallery Godo / Gallery Shilla

[Taiwan] Galerie Grand Siècle / Der-Horng Art Gallery* / AKI GALLERY

Information

Period : 7th(Sat)-8th(Sun) July, 2018

Preview : 6th(Fri) July 14:00-20:00 *Invitee and Press only.

Open to the public : 7th(Sat) July 11:00-20:00

8th(Sun) July 11:00-19:00

*Admission closes 1 hour prior to the fair closing.

Venue : Hotel Granvia Osaka 26th Floor

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Participating Galleries : 54 Galleries

Exhibition room : 68 rooms

Admission : ¥1,500- / 1day pass

*Admission free for children under 12 years old, with being accompanied by responsible adults.

*Please purchase tickets at the reception desk on the 26th floor at Hotel Granvia Osaka.

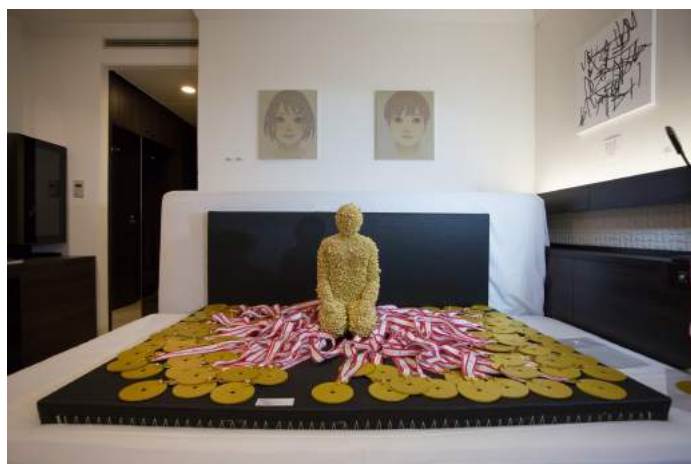
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B. YOD Gallery, ART OSAKA 2017 photo by Mayuko Uno



C. LAD GALLERY, ART OSAKA 2017 photo by Yuico Taiya

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