

Tomokazu Matsuyama

Biography

Born 1976 in Gifu, Japan

Lives and works in Brooklyn, New York, US

Education

2002-2004

MFA in Communications Design, Pratt Institute, New York, US

1996-2000

Bachelor of Economics, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2025

Frieze LA, solo presentation, Almine Rech, Los Angeles, CA, US

'Tomokazu Matsuyama: Morning Sun', Edward Hopper House Museum & Study Center, Nyack, NY, US

2024

'Mythologiques', Contemporary Istanbul Foundation, Magazzino No. 41, Venice, Italy

2023

'Fictional Landscape', Powerlong Museum, Shanghai, China

'Fictional Landscape', Hirosaki Museum of Contemporary Art, Hirosaki, Japan

'Episodes Far From Home', Almine Rech, London, UK

The Houston Bowery Wall, New York, NY, US

2022

'Harmless Charm', Sotheby's, Hong Kong

'The Best Part About Us', Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, Illinois, US

2021

'Boom Bye Bye Pain', KOTARO NUKAGA, Tokyo, Japan

'Accountable Nature', The Long Museum, Chongqing, China

2020

'Accountable Nature', The Long Museum West Bund, Shanghai, China

2018

'No Place Like Home', Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg

'Same Same, Different', Lumine Zero, Shinjuku, Japan

2017

'Baby It's Cold Outside', Lesley Kehoe Galleries, Melbourne, Australia

'Oh Magic Night', Hong Kong Contemporary Art, Hong Kong

2015

'Somewhere Here', Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg

'Made In 17 Hours', Museum of Contemporary Art Australia, Sydney, Australia

'Come with me', Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, CA, US

2014

'Sky Is The Limit', Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong

'Outside Looking In', Lesley Kehoe Galleries, Melbourne, Australia

2013

'The Standard Rendez-vous', Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg

'Palimpsest', Reischauer Institute at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, US

2012

'New Works', Mark Moore Gallery, Los Angeles, CA, US

'The Future Is Always Bright', Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, CA, US

'Thousand Regards', Katzen Art Center at American University Museum, Washington, D.C., US

2011

'East Weets Mest', Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY, US

2010

'In Case You're Lost', Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, CA, US

2009

'Glancing at the Twin Peak', Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY, US

2007

'Between the Polar', Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Chiba, Japan

Selected Group Exhibitions

2024

'Pop Forever, Tom Wesselmann & ...', Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, France

2023

Permanent Collection Exhibition, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Miami, FL, US

'A Leisurely Stroll - The Tenth Anniversary of The Long Museum', The Long Museum West Bund, Shanghai, China

'Sugoi! 200 Years of Japanese Art', Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, MI, US

'Die Young, Stay Pretty', KOTARO NUKAGA, Tokyo, Japan

2022

Official Collateral Project at Yanköşe and Galataport, 17th Istanbul Biennial, Turkey

2021

'Realms of Refuge', Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, IL, US

'Home & Away: Selections From Common Practice', Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY, US

'Nature Morte', The Hole, New York, NY, US

2020

'We Used To Gather', Library Street Collective, Detroit, MI, US

2019

'FIXED CONTAINED', KOTARO NUKAGA, Tokyo, Japan

2018

'Pardon My Language', Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg

2017

'Re:define', Dallas Contemporary, Dallas, TX, US

'Forms and Effects: Ukiyo-e to Anime', Ramapo College of New Jersey, Mahwah, NJ, US

2013

'Messin' With The Masters', Mesa Contemporary Arts Center, Mesa, AZ, US

'Edo-Pop, The Graphic Impact of Japanese Prints', Japan Society, New York, NY, US

'Changing World Through Art', Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, NY, US

2012

'Re:Define', The Goss-Michael Foundation, Dallas, TX, US

2011

untitled, Museum of Tibet House US, New York, NY, US

'Joy Ride', Spencer Brownstone Gallery, New York, NY, US

'We Are All One', New York Institute of Technology, New York, NY, US

'Changing the World Through Art', Haunch of Venison Gallery, New York, NY, US

'The Open Day Book Exhibition', Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibition, Los Angeles, CA, US

2010

'Sugi-POP! The Influence of Anime and Manga on Contemporary Art', Portsmouth Museum of Art, Portsmouth, NH, US

'Summer Group Exhibition', Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, CA, US

'DRAW', Museo De La Ciudad De Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico

'Changing the World Through Art', Haunch of Venison Gallery, New York, NY, US

2009

'Lost in Mutation: The Surreal in Contemporary Japanese Art', Aidekman Arts Center at Tufts University, Boston, MA, US

'Sacred Monsters', Aidekman Arts Center at Tufts University, Cambridge, MA, US

'UNFRAMED 2009', 15 Union Square, New York, NY, US

2008

'Winter Group Show', Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, CA, US

'Eyes and Curiosity', Mizuma Art Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

'Night Watch', Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Chiba, Japan

'Piece of Peace', Parco Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

2007

'U Can't Touch Dis: The New Asian Art, Zone: Chelsea Center for the Arts', New York, NY, US

'Bunkamura Art Show', Bunkamura Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

'Project To Surface', M127, New York, NY, US

'Natural Drift', Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Chiba, Japan

Collections

Albertina, Vienna, Austria

Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami, FL, US

de Young Museum, Legion of Honor Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, CA, US

Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA), CA, US

Asian Art Museum of San Francisco, CA, US

Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art, AR US

San Jose Museum of Art, CA, US

Pérez Art Museum Miami, FL, US

Kalamazoo Institute of Arts, MI, US

Fundación Amparo y Manuel (AMMA), Mexico

Hirosaki MOCA, Japan

Museum of Modern Art Shiga, Japan

Arts Maebashi, Japan

The Museum of Fine Arts, Gifu, Japan

Long Museum, Shanghai, China

Powerlong Museum, Shanghai, China

DEJI ART MUSEUM, China

K11 Art Foundation, Hong Kong

Space K SEOUL, South Korea

The Fisher Collection, US

The Dean Collection, US

Fundación La Nave Salinas, Balearic Islands, Spain

Microsoft Collection, US

Toyota Motor Corporation, US

Bank of Sharjah Collection, United Arab Emirates

The Royal Family Collection, United Arab Emirates

Pt. Leo Estate Sculpture Park, Melbourne, Australia

NIKE Japan

Levi Strauss & Co., Japan

JR East Japan Railway/LUMINE, Japan

Chunichi Building, Japan

Public Art Projects

2023

Bowery Wall Mural, Mural installation, New York, NY, US

CHUNICHI BUILDING, Mural installation, Nagoya, Japan

SUNY Upstate Medical Institute, Mural installation commissioned by RxArt, New York, NY, US

2022

Flatiron Public Plaza, Sculpture Installation *Dancer*, New York, NY, US

Galataport, Stainless steel sculpture *Nirvana Tropicana*, Istanbul Biennial Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey, 17th Istanbul Biennial Collateral Project

Yanköşe, Istanbul Biennial, Turkey, Inflatable synthetic fabric *United We Stand Divided*, 17th Istanbul Biennial Collateral Project

K11 Foundation, Digital LED Billboard Installation, K11 MUSEA Hong Kong

jing vision, LED Billboard installation/ jing, Harajuku 5, Tokyo, Japan

2021

TIPSTAR DOME CHIBA, installation of large-scale sculptures and a mural, Chiba, Japan

Ivy Station, Permanent mural and sculpture installation commissioned by Culver City, Los Angeles, CA, US

Guo Hua Financial Center, LE, D billboard installation commissioned by Long MuseumChongqing, China

2020

JR Shinjuku Station, Artistic direction of the square, permanent sculpture installation commissioned by East Japan Railway Company and LUMINE, Tokyo, Japan

Meiji Jingu, Outdoor sculpture installation commissioned by Art Powers Japan, Tokyo, Japan

2019

North Canon Drive, Mural installation commissioned by City of Beverly Hills, Beverly Hills, CA, US

Bowery Wall Mural, commissioned by Goldman Global Arts, New York, NY, US

2018

Shibuya Scramble Junction, LED billboard installation commissioned by Peanuts Global Arts, SONY, Culture Corps, Tokyo, Japan

2014

Harbour City, Outdoor installation, Hong Kong