

Masato KOBAYASHI CV

1957 Born in Tokyo

Lives and works in Tokyo and Fukuyama

Solo Exhibitions

2024	<i>Portrait of the Artist — Exhibition Celebrating the Publication of MK</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>FAMILY/Family of this Planet</i> , rin art association, Gunma, Japan
2023	<i>About Freedom</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo Selection from the CCMA Collection Special Edition “Kobayashi Masato: Ku-Sen and A Son of Painting”, Chiba City Museum of Art, Chiba, Japan
2021	<i>Family of this Planet</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo ShugoArts Online Show <i>Paint of this Planet</i> , ShugoArts website
2019	<i>Artist and the Model</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2016	<i>Thrice Upon A Time</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2014	<i>Nameless Horse</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2013	<i>Crazy for Painting vol.9” Masato KOBAYASHI + Hiroshi SUGITO</i> , gallery α M, Tokyo
2012	<i>ART TODAY 2012 Explanatory Paintings and Masato Kobayashi</i> , Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa, Japan <i>LOVE, more awful painting! and more beautiful, because painting is all for love, spring 2012</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2010	<i>LOVE, more awful painting! and more beautiful, because painting is all for love</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2009	<i>MASATO KOBAYASHI—The Paint of the Planet</i> , Nariwa Museum, Okayama, Japan
2007	<i>LIGHT PAINTING</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2006	<i>light</i> , Takahashi Collection, Tokyo <i>Masato Kobayashi 1982–1992</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>The Nude</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2005	<i>Starry Paint</i> , Hoet-Bekaert Gallery, Ghent, Belgium
2004	<i>Starry Paint, stars of outer space by pure painting</i> , Tensta Konsthall, Spanga, Sweden <i>Starry Paint</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2002	<i>Painting in Situ</i> , Rice Gallery by G2, Tokyo
2001	<i>Another “Son of Painting”</i> , S. Cole Gallery, Ghent, Belgium <i>A Son of Painting Masato Kobayashi</i> , S.M.A.K., Ghent, Belgium
2000	<i>KOBAYASHI Masato</i> , The Miyagi Museum of Art, Sendai, Japan SAGACHO EXHIBIT SPACE, Tokyo
1998	<i>At Night</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1997	<i>Masato Kobayashi, Recent Works</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1995	<i>Masato Kobayashi, Recent Painting & Drawings</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1993	<i>New Paintings</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1992	<i>A Son of Painting</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1991	<i>Ku-Sen</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1989	<i>Masato Kobayashi, 1987–1988</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1986	<i>The Second Exhibition, New Generation</i> , Satani Gallery, Tokyo
1985	Kamakura Gallery, Tokyo

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Group Exhibitions

2025	<i>The Methods Speak</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>The Artist's Blood</i> , T&Y Projects, Tokyo
2024	<i>T2 Collection, Collecting? Connecting?</i> , WHAT MUSEUM, Tokyo <i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>Discovering the Sky</i> , Shoto Museum of Art, Tokyo <i>A Personal View of Japanese Contemporary Art: Takahashi Ryutaro Collection</i> , Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo
2023	<i>AWT FOCUS "WORLDS IN BALANCE: ART IN JAPAN FROM THE POSTWAR TO THE PRESENT"</i> , Okura Museum of Art, Tokyo <i>"The lens within your heart" from the TAKEUCHI COLLECTION</i> , WHAT MUSEUM, Tokyo <i>WHO WILL YOU SHOW YOUR ART TO ?</i> , The University Art Museum Chinretsukan Gallery, Tokyo University of the Art, Tokyo <i>Atsushi Yamamoto "Video Hut" / ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>Misawa Atsuhiko ANIMALS/Multi-dimensions</i> , Chiba City Museum of Art, Chiba, Japan <i>Uraraka Painting Festival</i> , HB. Nezu and 8 more spaces, Tokyo
2022	<i>MASATO KOBAYASHI + KENGO KITO</i> , MtK Contemporary Art, Kyoto <i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2021	<i>MOT Collection: Journals vol.2</i> , Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>MOMAT Collection Special: Masterpieces of Japanese Art from the End of the 19th Century to the Present</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>Meiji Jingu Forest Festival of Art</i> , Meiji Jingu, Tokyo
2020	<i>Where the Value of Art Emerges?</i> , Tottori Prefectural Museum, Tottori, Japan <i>Garden of Life: Eight Contemporary Artists Venture into Nature</i> , Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum, Tokyo <i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo Group show at Seibu Shibuya B Bldg. 8F, Seibu Shibuya Art Gallery, Tokyo <i>MOMAT Collection</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo <i>From the permanent collection</i> , Miyagi Museum of Art, Sendai, Japan
2019	<i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>Constellation and DEAIKEI, or about painting and group show</i> , Parplume Gallery, Kanagawa, Japan <i>From here to beyond</i> , Onomichi City Museum of Art, Hiroshima, Japan <i>MOMAT collection</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>MOT Collection: Pleased to meet you. New Acquisitions in recent years</i> , Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>Weavers of Worlds—A Century of Flux in Japanese Modern / Contemporary Art—</i> , Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2018	<i>Bubblewrap</i> , The Contemporary Art Museum Kumamoto, Kumamoto, Japan <i>New Wave: Japanese Contemporary Art of the 1980s</i> , The National museum of art, Osaka <i>MISAWA ATSUSHIKO ANIMALS IN TOYAMA</i> , Toyama Prefectural Museum of Art and Design (TAD), Toyama, Japan <i>How to live #2 at Roppongi</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>Animal House in Dogo</i> , Dogo ONSENART 2018, Shinro-tei, Ehime, Japna <i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo
2017	<i>Art, anything to access a world</i> , Tokyo Shibuya Koen-dori Gallery, Tokyo <i>Atsuhiko Misawa's Animal House: House of Enigmas</i> , The Shoto Museum of Art, Tokyo <i>Takahashi Collection Mindfulness 2017</i> , Yamagata Museum of Art, Yamagata, Japan

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	<p><i>ShugoArts Show: From the 1980s to the 2010s</i>, ShugoArts, Tokyo</p> <p><i>Fun with Colors from CCMA Contemporary Collection</i>, Chiba City Museum of Art, Chiba, Japan</p> <p><i>THE BONE OF ARTS-NINGBO China – Japanese Contemporary Art Exchange Exhibition</i>, Ningbo Museum of Art, Zhejiang</p> <p><i>A Trip Through the Tokyo Station Gallery Collection from Railway Art to Picasso</i>, Tokyo Station Gallery, Tokyo</p> <p><i>Spider's Thread—Sinning image of Japanese beauty</i>, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Nagoya</p> <p><i>PHYSIOLOGY OF ART, OR MEDITATION OF TRANSCENDENTAL TASTE</i>, Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa, Japan</p>
2016	<p><i>CRUSH ON ART</i>, Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa, Japan</p> <p><i>All Living Things</i>, Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka, Japan</p> <p><i>TABLE OF THREE</i>, ShugoArts Weekend Gallery, Tokyo</p> <p><i>THE COLLECTION OF THE TAKAMATSU ART MUSEUM</i>, Takamatsu Art Museum, Kagawa, Japan</p> <p><i>Takashi Murakami's Superflat Collection</i>, Yokohama Museum of Art, Kanagawa, Japan</p>
2015	<p><i>ShugoArts: Weekend Gallery in Mishuku</i>, ShugoArts Weekend Gallery, Tokyo</p> <p><i>Pass</i>, Mullem, Huise, Wannegem Ledde, Belgium</p> <p><i>MOMAT Collection 'What Are You Fighting For?'</i> Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo</p> <p><i>Live Drawing 'Yokohama-emaki'</i>, Yokohama Museum of Art, Kanagawa, Japan</p> <p><i>Sezon COLLECTION TE TO ME</i>, Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa, Japan</p> <p><i>TAKAHASHI COLLECTION Mirror Neuron</i>, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo</p> <p><i>ShugoArts Show</i>, ShugoArts, Tokyo</p>
2014	<p><i>DOMMUNE University of the Arts—Tokyo Arts Circulation—THE 100 JAPANESE CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS</i>, DOMMUNE, Tokyo / 331 Arts Chiyoda, Tokyo</p> <p><i>Shape of Picture</i>, ShugoArts, Tokyo</p> <p><i>From a Quiet Distance</i>, PARKHAUS im Malkastenpark, Dusseldorf</p> <p><i>RE: PAINTED / 'PAINTING' FROM THE COLLECTION</i>, S.M.A.K., Gent</p>
2013	<p><i>Why not live for Art? II—9 collectors reveal their treasures</i>, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo</p> <p><i>TAKAHASHI COLLECTION—Mindfulness</i>, Kirishima Open Air Museum, Kagoshima, Japan / Sapporo Art Museum, Sapporo, Japan</p> <p><i>Playback Artist Talks</i>, The National Museum of Modern Art Tokyo, Tokyo</p> <p><i>A RIOT OF COLOR—Always Today</i>, Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa, Japan</p> <p><i>The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum Collection—on this planet</i>, The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka, Japan</p> <p><i>Images of the People, Images by the People</i>, The Niigata Bandaijima Art Museum, Niigata, Japan</p> <p><i>Re: Quest—Japanese Contemporary Art since the 1979s</i>, Museum of Art, Seoul National University, Seoul</p>
2012	<p><i>LOVE LOVE SHOW</i>, Tomonotsu Museum, Fukuyama, Japan</p> <p><i>2nd Western China International Art Biennale</i>, TianYe Art Museum, Yinchuan</p> <p><i>What a Wonderful Contemporary Art</i>, The Okayama Prefectural Museum of Art, Okayama, Japan</p>
2010	<p><i>Living with art Contemporary Art from Japan and Taiwan</i>, Yi&C Contemporary Art, Taipei</p> <p><i>Mediations Biennale</i>, The National Museum in Poznań, Poznan, Poland</p> <p><i>Drawing in the Dark</i>, National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo</p> <p><i>Memory / Memorial HIROSHIMA—POLAND</i>, Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, Hiroshima, Japan</p> <p><i>MOT Collection Enter here — what do you see?</i>, Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo</p> <p><i>The Burden of Representation; Abstraction in Asia Today</i>, Osage kwan tong, Hong Kong</p>
2009	<p><i>The Biennale Knokke Zoute 2009</i>, Knokke, Belgium</p> <p><i>Fair Market</i>, Fruit and Flower Deli, New York</p>

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	<i>12 Horizons—Perspectives of Contemporary Painting</i> , Tokyo Station Gallery, Tokyo
2008	<i>ShugoArts Show</i> , ShugoArts, Tokyo <i>Moon light show</i> , JOTA CASTRO STUDIO, Brussels, Belgium
2007	<i>Skies and Stars: Celestial Images</i> , National Museum of Modern Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>Portrait Session</i> , Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, Hiroshima, Japan
2006	<i>Touching the Cosmos</i> , The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka, Japan <i>MOT Collection</i> , Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo <i>Summer Show</i> , S.M.A.K., Ghent
2004	<i>WHY NOT LIVE FOR ART</i> , Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo,
2003	<i>U–TOPOS Biennale Tirana</i> , The National Gallery of Art, Tirana <i>Gelijk het leven is</i> , the Vlaamse Opera Gent, Gent
2002	<i>Emotional sight</i> , Sagacho Shokuryo–bild, Tokyo <i>Unfinished Century</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo
2001	<i>SENRITSUMIRAI</i> , Centro par l’ arte Contemporanea Luiji pecci, Prato
2000	<i>Epifanie—Actuele Kunst en Religie</i> , Abdij van het Park, Heverlee <i>A CASA DI...</i> , Città dell’arte–Fondazione Pistoletto, Biella <i>Over the Edges</i> , S.M.A.K., Ghent
1999	<i>Watou Poëziezomer 1999: Serendipiteit</i> , Douvie hoeve, Watou, Belgium <i>The Opening</i> , S.M.A.K., Ghent
1996	<i>de Rode Poort / The Red Gate</i> , Museum van Hedendaagse Kunst, Ghent <i>Biennale de São Paulo 1996 Japão</i> , São Paulo, Brazil <i>Avant–Première d’un musée, le Musée d’art contemporain de Gand</i> , Institut Néerlandais, Paris
1995	<i>A Perspective on Contemporary Art: Painting–Singular Object</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo <i>VOCA Prize Winner Exhibition</i> , Dai–ichi Life Gallery, Tokyo <i>Allegory of Seeing. 1955: Painting and Sculpture in Contemporary Japan</i> , Sezon Museum of Art, Tokyo <i>The Vision of Contemporary Art</i> , The Ueno Royal Museum, Tokyo
1994	<i>Light & Shadow. The Sense of Ephemerality</i> , Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, Hiroshima, Japan <i>The Vision of Contemporary Art</i> , The Ueno Royal Museum, Tokyo
1992	<i>Seductive Brush Marks: From the late 19th century to the present day</i> , Kyoto Municipal Museum of Art, Kyoto <i>TEMPUS VICTIM</i> , Espace Ohara, Tokyo
1991	<i>Poetics of Hue, A message from two dimensions of contemporary paintings</i> , Kawasaki City Museum, Kawasaki, Japan
1989	<i>Drawing as Itself</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art, Osaka <i>A Perspective on Contemporary Art: Color and/or Monochrome</i> , The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo / The National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto
1987	<i>Icons in Contemporary Art</i> , The Museum of Modern Art, Urawa, Japan
1986	<i>A Scene of Contemporary Japanese Art 3: The New Generation</i> , The Miyagi Museum of Art, Sendai, Japan

Award

1994	Encouragement prize, VOCA ’ 94
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Public Collection

ShugoArts

Belgium

S.M.A.K. The Municipal Museum of Contemporary Art, Ghent
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Japan

Chiba City Museum of Art, Chiba
The Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Tokyo
Iwaki City Art Museum, Iwaki
The Miyagi Museum of Art, Sendai
The Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo
The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo
The Niigata Bandaijima Art Museum, Niigata
Sezon Museum of Modern Art, Karuizawa
Takamatsu City Museum of Art, Takamatsu
Tokyo Station Gallery, Tokyo
Utsunomiya Museum of Art, Utsunomiya
The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka

Private Collection

Daiwa Press / Daiwa Radiator Factory, Hiroshima, Japan
Takahashi Ryutaro Collection, Tokyo

Publications

2020	<i>Paint of this Planet, second volume</i> , ART DIVER
2018	<i>Paint of this Planet, first volume</i> , ART DIVER