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ShugoArts Show

Yukio FUJIMOTO, Masato KOBAYASHI, Aki KONDO, Naofumi MARUYAMA Anju MICHELE, Ritsue MISHIMA, Yoriko TAKABATAKE

> June 26 – July 31, 2021 Tue-Sat noon-6pm



Anju MICHELE, Ray, 2021, acrylic on Japanese paper mounted on panel, 120x120cm

ShugoArts is pleased to present *ShugoArts Show*, a group exhibition of our artists including Yukio Fujimoto, Masato Kobayashi, Aki Kondo, Naofumi Maruyama, Anju Michele, Ritsue Mishima and Yoriko Takabatake, from Saturday June 26, 2021 to Saturday July 31, 2021.

In this exhibition, Anju Michele will present his new series of works *Ray* for the first time, which has become the basis of creating a new scarf, as an inspiration source to Italian fashion brand Loro Piana. Loro Piana will release its new scarf *Ray* in a limited quantity this July, whose design is inspired by one of the works from Anju's series.

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We will also showcase Yukio Fujimoto who put together the traces of his forty-year long art practice into an online exhibition themed around "sound" last year. In addition, this exhibition will be orchestrated with some of the best works of other participating artists including Masato Kobayashi, who will have a solo exhibition at ShugoArts this September, Aki Kondo, who just published her first critically acclaimed monograph *The Happiness that Exists Here* and will also have a solo exhibition at the Yamagata Museum of Art this November, along with the painters Naofumi Maruyama and Yoriko Takabatake and Ritsue Mishima who works with transparent Venetian-glass. Many artworks will be shown for the first time in the gallery space including, but not limited to, paintings by Masato Kobayashi and drawings by Aki Kondo. It would be our pleasure if you could feature this seven-person group exhibition in your media outlets.

June 2021, ShugoArts



Masato KOBAYASHI, Painter and Light, 2007/2013, oil, acrylic, canvas, wood, 178x159cm

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Exhibition info

Masato KOBAYASHI

A solo exhibition will be held at ShugoArts from the beginning of September 2021.

Aki KONDO

A solo exhibition will be held at the Yamagata Museum of Art from November 5 to November 23, 2021.

Anju MICHELE

Loro Piana will release its new scarf Ray in a limited quantity this July, whose design is inspired by one of the works from Anju's series. Anju's original artwork that became the basis of the scarf will also be exhibited alongside the scarf at Loro Piana Ginza.

◆Other artists' news are available on: http://shugoarts.com/en/topics/



Yoriko TAKABATAKE, *Bathing, sands* 2020, oil on canvas, 142x142cm



Naofumi MARUYAMA, *water in the sky* 2012-2013, acrylic on cotton, 181.8x227.3cm

Exhibition overview

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Artists: Yukio FUJIMOTO, Masato KOBAYASHI, Aki KONDO, Naofumi MARUYAMA, Anju MICHELE, Ritsue MISHIMA,

Yoriko TAKABATAKE

Dates: Saturday, June 26 - Saturday, July 31, 2021

Venue: ShugoArts, complex665 2F, 6-5-24, Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 106-0032 **Opening Hours: Tue-Sat noon-6pm,** closed on Sun, Mon and Public Holidays

*Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, we have shortened our opening hours.

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