

ADRIAN SASSOON

Yukito Nishinaka

Curriculum Vitae



Born 1964, Wakayama City, Japan

1984–1988 Hoshi University of Pharmacy, Tokyo, Japan, BA Pharmacy
1992–1994 California College of the Arts, California, USA, Sculpture & Glass

Working in Chiba, Japan

Driven by the eternal dance of light and shadow, I am a glass artist chasing the essence of *The Radiance of Life and Rebirth*. Molten glass, a mesmerising symphony of fire and liquid, captivated me from the first encounter. Witnessing its transformative power, I felt the stirring of a profound truth: glass, like life, is a journey of perpetual flux, a dance between creation and destruction.

I am a storyteller, crafting tales of light and shadow in the language of glass. Through my art, I invite you to witness the dance of life, to embrace the beauty of imperfection, and to discover the eternal flame of hope that flickers within the heart of every shattered vessel.

Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Osaka, Japan
- 2023 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Nagoya & Okayama, Japan
- 2021 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Nagoya, Kyoto, Okayama & Gifu, Japan
- 2020 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Kyoto, Japan
- 2019 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Osaka & Okayama, Japan
- 2018 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Nagoya, Japan
- 2017 *Nishinaka Yukito: Eternity Captured in a Moment - Stepping into a Meditative Space of Glass Art*, Nihonbashi Takashimaya, Tokyo, Japan
Nishinaka Yukito, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Okayama & Gifu, Japan
Nishinaka Yukito, Ginza Wako, Tokyo, Japan
- 2016 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Daikokuya, Tochigi, Japan
Nishinaka Yukito, Takashimaya, Osaka, Nagoya & Yokohama, Japan
- 2015 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo & Gifu, Japan
- 2014 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Nagoya & Okayama, Japan
Nishinaka Yukito, Tamesaburo Memorial Museum in Furukawa Art Museum, Nagoya, Japan
- 2013 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Osaka & Yokohama, Japan
- 2012 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Nagoya & Okayama, Japan
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- 2008 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Nagoya & Yokohama, Japan
- 2007 *Nishinaka Yukito*, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Nagoya, Yokohama & Osaka, Japan

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2024 *Adrian Sassoon*, The Treasure House Fair, London
- 2023 *Visionaries*, Kyoto City Kyocera Museum of Art, Kyoto, Japan
ARTEFACT, London
- 2022 *Forms for the Future*, Toyama Glass Art Museum, Japan
- 2021 *Katie Jones*, Eye of the Collector, London
Kogei Art Fair, Kanazawa, Japan
- 2020 *Katie Jones*, COLLECT, Somerset House, London
Japanese Wonder, Erskine, Hall & Coe, London
One Art Taipei, Taipei, Taiwan
Katie Jones, Masterpiece London, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, London
- 2019 *Living Kogei*, Hong Kong University Museum and Art Gallery, Hong Kong
Palm Beach Modern+Contemporary, Florida, USA
Fine Art Asia, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong
Katie Jones, Masterpiece London, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, London
Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2018 *Japan-Japonismes, objets inspirés, 1867 – 2018*, Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris, France
Asia Contemporary Art Show, Conrad Hong Kong, Hong Kong
Fine Art Asia, Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong
Katie Jones, Masterpiece London, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, London

Selected Group Exhibitions (continued)

- 2018 *Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London*
- 2017 *The 3rd Triennale of Kogei in Kanazawa, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Japan*
Kogei Art Fair, Kanazawa, Japan
Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2016 *SOFA Chicago, Chicago, USA*
Katie Jones, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London
Katie Jones, Masterpiece London, The Royal Hospital Chelsea, London
Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2015 *Katie Jones, Pavilion of Art & Design London, London*
Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London
- 2014 *Gold: All That Glitters - Japanese Gold Decoration, Embassy of Japan in the UK, London*
- 2013 *Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London*
- 2012 *Katie Jones, COLLECT, Saatchi Gallery, London*
Vessels, 5th The Exhibition of Contemporary Glass Koganezaki, Koganezaki Crystal Park, Shizuoka, Japan
- 2001 *Beauty of Glass, Himeji City Museum of Art, Hyogo, Japan*
Onoda Contemporary Glass Art, Yamaguchi, Japan
- 2000 *Japanese Contemporary Glass Art, Onoda Sunpark, Yamaguchi, Japan*
- 1999 *2000 Years of Japanese Glass: From the Yayoi Period to the Present Day, Suntory Museum of Art, Tokyo and Osaka, Japan*
5th Feeling of Beauty - Kogei, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Yokoyama, Osaka and Kyoto, Japan
Glass '99 in Japan – Splendour of the Unknown, Odakyu Museum, Tokyo, Japan
- 1997 *1st Contemporary Glass Exhibition in Satsuma, Satsumacho Glass History Museum, Kagoshima, Japan*
Art Now Kanazawa: 36th Hokuriku Chunichi Art Exhibition, Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art, Ishikawa, Japan
- 1995 *Glass in Japan, Museo de Segovia, Segovia, Spain*
- 1994 *Art Now Kanazawa: 33rd Hokuriku Chunichi Art Exhibition, Japan*

Awards

- 2021 *Circular Energy Prize, Circular Award, Japan*
- 2020 *Gold Award, World Media Festivals, Hamburg, Germany*
- 2013 *Graphic Award, Creative Hack Award 2013, Japan*
- 2011 *Culture Achievement Award, OKUWA Educational and Cultural Promotion foundation, Japan*
- 2008 *Culture Achievement Award, Wakayama City, Japan*
- 2006 *Kinokuni Achievement Award, Wakayama Prefecture, Japan*
- 1997 *Grand Prize, The 1st Contemporary Glass Exhibition in Satsuma, Kagoshima, Japan*

Public Collections

Ashmolean Museum, Oxford
Victoria and Albert Museum, London
Musée Cernuschi, Paris, France
Fundación Centro Nacional del Vidrio, Segovia, Spain
Barclays, Tokyo, Japan
Daiichi Museum, Nagoya, Japan
Daikokuya Ryokan, Tochigi, Japan
Hōnen-in Temple, Kyoto, Japan
Horyuji Temple, Tokyo, Japan
Ise Cultural Foundation, Tokyo, Japan
Naruto City, Tokushima, Japan
Satsuma Kiriko Shimazu Kiriko, Kagoshima, Japan
Takeda Pharmaceutical Co. Ltd. Osaka, Japan
Toyama Glass Art Museum, Toyama, Japan
Wakayama City, Japan
Yamaha Music Foundation, Tokyo, Japan

Selected Bibliography: Books & Catalogues

- 2023 *Visionaries*, Kyoto City Kyocera Museum of Art, Kyoto, Japan
2022 *iro, The Essence of Colour in Japanese Design*, Rossella Menegazzo
2019 *Living Kogei*, exhibition catalogue, Hong Kong University Museum and Art Gallery, Hong Kong
2016 SOFA, exhibition catalogue, Chicago, USA
2012 *Vessels, 5th The Exhibition of Contemporary Glass Koganezaki*, exhibition catalogue, Koganezaki Crystal Park, Shizuoka, Japan
2001 *Beauty of Glass*, exhibition catalogue, Himeji City Museum of Art, Hyogo, Japan
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1999 *2000 Years of Japanese Glass: From the Yayoi Period to the Present Day*, exhibition catalogue, Suntory Museum of Art, Tokyo and Osaka, Japan
1999 *5th Feeling of Beauty- Kogei*, exhibition catalogue, Takashimaya, Tokyo, Yokoyama, Osaka and Kyoto, Japan
1999 *Glass '99 in Japan – Splendor of the Unknown*, exhibition catalogue, Odakyu Museum, Tokyo, Japan
1997 *1st Contemporary Glass Exhibition in Satsuma*, exhibition catalogue, Satsuma Kiriko Shimazu Kiriko, Kagoshima, Japan

Selected Bibliography: Articles & Essays

- 2023 Art Collectors' No.170, Seikatsu no Tomosha Co. Ltd, Japan
2021 Art Collectors' No.153
2021 Geijutsu Shincho, 2021 May, Shinochosha, Japan

Selected Bibliography: Articles & Essays (continued)

- 2020 Styling Luxe, SAN-EI Corporation, Japan
Geijutsu Shincho, 2020 May, Shinchosha, Japan
- 2019 President, 2019.7.5, Japan
- 2017 Monthly ART, No.502, Sun Art Co. Ltd.
- 2016 Art Collectors' No.93
- 2013 Art Collectors' No.51

Television

- 2023 Trailblazers, Glass Artist Nishinaka Yukito, Reflecting the wabi-sabi aesthetic in glass, NHK WORLD JAPAN
- 2021 Core Kyoto, Conversations: A Landscape Gardener and a Glass Artist, NHK WORLD JAPAN
- 2020 Core Kyoto, Kyoto Glasswork: The Elegant Sparkle of Craftsmanship, NHK WORLD JAPAN