

Tomokazu Matsuyama

Born 1976 in Gifu, Japan

Lives and works in Brooklyn, New York

EDUCATION:

MFA in Communications Design, Pratt Institute, New York, USA, 2002-2004

Bachelor of Economics, Sophia University, Tokyo, Japan, 1996-2000

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS:

- 2025 *Liberation Back Home*, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, Georgia, USA  
*Tomokazu Matsuyama: Morning Sun*, Edward Hopper House Museum, Nyack, USA  
*Tomokazu Matsuyama: FIRST LAST*, Azabudai Hills Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
*Frieze Los Angeles* – Official Solo Booth, Almine Rech Gallery, Los Angeles, USA
- 2024 *Mythologiques*, 60th Venice Biennale, Hosted by the Contemporary Istanbul Foundation, Arsenale, Venice, Italy
- 2023 *MATSUYAMA Tomokazu: Fictional Landscape*, Shanghai Powerlong Museum, Shanghai, China  
*MATSUYAMA Tomokazu: Fictional Landscape*, Hirosaki Museum of Contemporary Art, Hirosaki, Japan  
*Episodes Far From Home*, Almine Rech Gallery, London, UK
- 2022 *Harmless Charm*, Sotheby's, Hong Kong  
*The Best Part About Us*, Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, USA
- 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, USA
- 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, USA
- 2012 *New Works by Tomokazu Matsuyama*, Mark Moore Gallery, Los Angeles, USA  
*The Future Is Always Bright*, Gallery Wendi Norris, San Francisco, USA  
*Thousand Regards*, Katzen Art Center at American University Museum, Washington, D.C., USA
- 2011 *East Weets Mest*, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, USA
- 2010 *In Case You're Lost*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, USA
- 2009 *Glancing at the Twin Peak*, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, USA
- 2007 *Between the Polar*, Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Chiba, Japan

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS:

- 2026 *Soft Reins: From Degas to Fordjour*, Acquavella Galleries, Palm Beach, USA (Guest Curator: Tomokazu Matsuyama)  
*Life Imitates Art*, Anthony Gallery, Chicago, USA (Curator: Hank Willis Thomas)
- 2025 *SIMOSE New Collection Exhibition Part 1— Tomokazu Matsuyama, Sam Falls*, Simose Art Museum, Hiroshima, Japan  
*Places & Spaces*: Curated by Emann Odufu, Friedrichs Pontone Gallery, New York, USA
- 2024 *Pop Forever, Tom Wesselmann &...*, Louis Vuitton Foundation, Paris, France  
*Blossom: The Tenth Anniversary of the Long Museum*, The Long Museum West Bund, Shanghai, China  
*The 4th Crosswaves in Art Belonging: Achievements of Artists from Gifu*, The Museum of Fine Arts, Gifu, Japan  
*Go For Kogeil!*, Iwase, Toyama, Japan
- 2023 *New Horizon: Vision of the Future*, ARTS MAEBASHI, Maebashi, Japan  
*Permanent Collection Exhibition*, Pérez Art Museum Miami, Miami, USA  
*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, Michigan, USA  
*Die Young, Stay Pretty*, Curated by Tomokazu Matsuyama + Carlos Rolon, KOTARO NUKAGA, Tokyo, Japan
- 2022 *Official Collateral Project at Yanköse and Galataport*, 17th Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2021 *Realms of Refuge*, Kavi Gupta Gallery, Chicago, USA  
*Home & Away: Selections From Common Practice*, Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, USA  
*Nature Morte*, The Hole, New York, USA
- 2020 *We Used To Gather*, Library Street Collective, Detroit, USA
- 2019 *FIXED CONTAINED*, Curated by Tomokazu Matsuyama, KOTARO NUKAGA, Tokyo, Japan
- 2018 *Pardon My Language*, Curated by Tomokazu Matsuyama, Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg City, Luxembourg
- 2017 *Re:define*, Dallas Contemporary, Dallas, USA  
*Forms and Effects: Ukiyo-e to Anime*, Ramapo College of New Jersey, Mahwah, USA
- 2013 *Messin' With The Masters*, Mesa Contemporary Arts Center, Mesa, USA  
*Edo-Pop*, The Graphic Impact of Japanese Prints, Japan Society, New York, USA  
*Changing World Through Art*, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, USA
- 2012 *Re:Define*, The Goss-Michael Foundation, Dallas, TX
- 2011 *untitled*, Museum of Tibet House US, New York, NY  
*Joy Ride*, Spencer Brownstone Gallery, New York, NY  
*We Are All One*, New York Institute of Technology, New York, NY  
*Changing the World Through Art*, Haunch of Venison Gallery, New York, NY  
*The Open Day Book Exhibition*, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibition, Los Angeles, CA
- 2010 *Sugoi-POP! The Influence of Anime and Manga on Contemporary Art*, Portsmouth Museum of Art, Portsmouth, USA  
*Summer Group Exhibition*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, USA  
*DRAW*, Museo De La Ciudad De Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico  
*Changing the World Through Art*, Haunch of Venison Gallery, New York, USA
- 2009 *Lost in Mutation: The Surreal in Contemporary Japanese Art*, Aidekman Arts Center at Tufts University, Boston, USA  
*Sacred Monsters*, Aidekman Arts Center at Tufts University, Cambridge, USA  
*UNFRAMED 2009*, 15 Union Square, New York, USA
- 2008 *Winter Group Show*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, USA  
*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, USA  
*Bunkamura Art Show*, Bunkamura Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
*Project To Surface*, M127, New York, USA  
*Natural Drift*, Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Chiba, Japan

#### COLLECTIONS:

The ALBERTINA Museum Vienna (Austria)  
Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA) (USA)  
Asian Art Museum of San Francisco (USA)  
Bruce Museum (USA)  
Crystal Bridges Museum of American Art (USA)  
Institute of Contemporary Art, Miami (USA)  
de Young Museum | Legion of Honor Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco (USA)  
San Jose Museum of Art (USA)  
Pérez Art Museum Miami (USA)  
Kalamazoo Institute of Arts (USA)  
Minneapolis Institute of Art (USA)  
Peabody Essex Museum (USA)  
Fundación Amparo y Manuel (AMMA) (Mexico)  
Hirosaki MOCA (Japan)  
Arts Maebashi (Japan)  
Yokohama Museum of Art (Japan)  
The Museum of Fine Arts, Gifu (Japan)  
Museum of Modern Art Shiga (Japan)  
Kirishima Open-Air Museum (Japan)  
Long Museum (China)  
Powerlong Museum (Shanghai, China)  
DEJI ART MUSEUM (China)  
K11 Art Foundation (Hong Kong)  
Space K SEOUL (Korea)  
The Fisher Collection (USA)  
The Dean Collection (USA)  
Fundación La Nave Salinas (Spain)  
Microsoft Collection (USA)  
Toyota Motor Corporation (USA)  
Bank of Sharjah Collection (UAE)  
The Royal Family Collection (UAE)  
Pt. Leo Estate Sculpture Park, Melbourne (Australia)  
NIKE Japan (Japan)  
Levi Strauss & Co. (Japan)  
JR East Japan Railway/LUMINE (Japan)  
CHUNICHI BUILDING (Japan)

#### PUBLIC ART PROJECTS:

2025 TCL Chinese Theatre, Los Angeles, USA  
LED billboard Installation

2024 Chicago Public Library, Chicago, USA  
Mural installation

Armory Off-Site at the US Open, New York, USA  
Sculpture installation

- 2023 Bowery Wall Mural, New York, USA  
Mural installation
- CHUNICHI BUILDING, Nagoya, Japan  
Mural installation
- SUNY Upstate Medical Institute, New York, USA  
Mural installation  
Commissioned by RxArt
- 2022 Flatiron Public Plaza, New York, USA  
Sculpture Installation
- Galataport, Istanbul Biennial Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey  
Sculpture installation  
17th Istanbul Biennial Collateral Project
- Yanköse, Istanbul Biennial Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey  
Sculpture installation  
17th Istanbul Biennial Collateral Project
- K11 Foundation, K11 MUSEA Hong Kong, Hong Kong  
LED billboard Installation, K11 MUSEA Hong Kong
- jing vision, Tokyo, Japan  
LED billboard installation/ jing, Harajuku 5
- 2021 TIPSTAR DOME CHIBA, Chiba, Japan  
Mural and sculpture installation
- Ivy Station, Culver City, Los Angeles, USA  
Mural and sculpture installation  
Commissioned by Culver City, Los Angeles
- Guo Hua Financial Center, Chongqing, China  
LED billboard installation  
Commissioned by Long Museum
- 2020 JR Shinjuku Station, Tokyo, Japan  
Artistic direction of the square  
Sculpture installation  
Commissioned by East Japan Railway Company and LUMINE
- Meiji Jingu, Tokyo, Japan  
Sculpture installation  
Commissioned by Art Powers Japan
- 2019 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, USA  
Mural installation  
Commissioned by City of Beverly Hills
- Bowery Wall Mural, New York, USA  
Commissioned by Goldman Global Arts
- 2018 Shibuya Scramble Crossing, Tokyo, Japan  
LED billboard installation  
Commissioned by Peanuts Global Arts, SONY, Culture Corps
- 2014 Harbour City, Hong Kong  
Sculpture installation

## LECTURES

- 2023 "The Era of Cultural Entrepreneurship," Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan  
2013 "Artist Presentation," Harvard University, Cambridge, MA  
2012 "Artist Presentation," Katzen Arts Center, Museum for America University, Washington D.C.  
2011 "Artist Presentation," Asia Society and Museum, New York, NY  
2007 "APMT," BankART, Yokohama, Japan  
2003 "Artist Presentation," Asian America Arts Centre, New York, NY

## BOOKS, CATALOGUES:

*MATSUYAMA TOMOKAZU FIRST LAST*, Tokyo, KOTARO NUKAGA, 2025

*Tomokazu Matsuyama Mythologiques*, Vienna, VFMK, 2024

*MATSUYAMA Tomokazu: Fictional Landscape*, Hirosaki: Hirosaki MOCA, 2024

*Boom Bye Bye Pain*, Tokyo: KOTARO NUKAGA, 2023

*Die Young Stay Pretty*, Tokyo: KOTARO NUKAGA, 2023

*Jonestu-Tairiku x Tomozaku Matsuyama*, Osaka: Published by: MBS, 2021

*NHK Sunday Museum CLUSTER 2020*, Tokyo: Produced by NHK Educational, Published by: MATSUYAMA STUDIO, 2021

*Tomokazu Matsuyama IN AND OUT*, Tokyo: Published by: Culture Convenience Club Co., Ltd

Book Edition Department, Bijutsu Shuppan-sha, 2021

*IN text by Hiroki Yamamoto*

*OUT text by Yuji Akimoto*

*Fixed Contained*, Tokyo: KOTARO NUKAGA, 2019, Text by Yuji Akimoto

*No Place Like Home*, Luxembourg: Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, 2018, Text by Hollis Goodall

*Pardon My Language*, Luxembourg: Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, 2018, Text by Peter Doroshenko

*Tomokazu Matsuyama*, Hong Kong. HOCA Foundation 2017, Text by Rory Padeken and Lauren Every-Wortman

*Tomokazu Matsuyama: A Floating World Redux*, Luxembourg. Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, 2016, Text by Shiner Eric.

*Palimpsest*, Cambridge: Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies, Harvard University 2013, Text by David L Howell.

*A Thousand Regards*, Tokyo: Panorama Publishing 2013, Text by Yayoi Shionoiri

*Edo Pop: The Graphic Impact of Japanese Prints*, New York: Japan Society, 2013

*Further*: Berkeley: Gingko Press, 2010, pp.156-203

*In Case You're Lost*, San Francisco: Frey Norris Gallery, 2010, Text by Eric Shiner

*Tomokazu Matsuyama*, Tokyo: Panorama Publishing, 2010, Text by Eric Shiner, Alexandra Chang, Kenji Kubota

*Found Modern Library*, Berkeley, CA. Gingko Press, 2007, Text by Alexandra Chang