

# TOMOKAZU MATSUYAMA

Born in 1976 in Gifu, Japan  
Lives and works in Brooklyn, NY

## EDUCATION

2002-2004 MFA in Communications Design from Pratt Institute, New York, NY  
1996-2000 BA in Management from Sophia University, Tokyo, 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)

## COMMISSIONS

Nike “LeBron James” project  
Nike SportsWear (NSW), Nike’s premium line collaboration  
Nike Asia, Hong Kong “CO-Lab” project  
TOSHIBA Australia “Made in 17 Hours” project  
Levi’s Strauss & Co. “NY Artist Series” project

The Standard Hotel, limited edition "The Standard Hotel Snow Ball"  
LeSportsac "Artist in residence" project  
Celulian Tower Hotel Group, Tokyo, Jz Brat project

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 Mural, New York, NY  
Mural Installation "Color Of The City"

CHUNICHI BUILDING, Nagoya, Japan  
Mural installation  
Commissioned by Takenaka Corporation, TAK Property

SUNY Upstate Medical Institute, New York, USA  
Mural installation  
Commissioned by RxArt

2022 Flatiron Public Plaza, New York, USA  
Sculpture Installation "Dancer."

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

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

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

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

2021 TIPSTAR DOME CHIBA, Chiba, Japan  
installation of large-scale sculptures and a mural.

Ivy Station, Culver City, Los Angeles, USA  
Permanent 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

Permanent sculpture installation  
Commissioned by East Japan Railway Company and LUMINE

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

2019 North Canon Drive, Beverly Hills, California, USA  
Mural installation  
Commissioned by City of Beverly Hills

Bowery Wall Mural, New York, NY  
Commissioned by Goldman Global Arts

2018 Shibuya Scramble Junction, Tokyo, Japan  
LED billboard installation  
Commissioned by Peanuts Global Arts, SONY, Culture Corps

2014 Harbour City, Hong Kong  
Outdoor installation

#### SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

- 2025 Liberation Back Home, SCAD Museum of Art, Savannah, Georgia, USA Tomokazu Matsuyama: Morning Sun, Edward Hopper House Museum, Nyak, USA Tomokazu Matsuyama: FIRST LAST, Azabudai Hills Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
Frieze Los Angeles - Official Solo Booth, Almine Rech Gallery, Los Angeles, USA
- 2024 Mythologiques, Arsenale, Venice, Italy (60th Venice Biennale). Curated by Christoph Doswald.
- 2023 MATSUYAMA Tomokazu: Fictional Landscape, Hirosaki Museum of Contemporary Art, Hirosaki, Japan  
MATSUYAMA Tomokazu: Fictional Landscape, Shanghai Powerlong Museum, Shanghai  
Episodes Far From Home, Almine Rech, London, UK
- 2022 Harmless Charm, Sotheby's Hong Kong, Hong Kong  
The Best Part About Us, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, IL
- 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
- 2018 No Place Like Home, Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg  
*Same, Same, Different*, Lumine Zero, Tokyo, Japan
- 2017 *Baby It's Cold Outside*, Lesley Kehoe Galleries, Melbourne, Australia  
*Oh Magic Night*, HOCA Foundation, Hong Kong
- 2015 *Somewhere Here*, Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg  
*17 Hours*, Museum of Contemporary Art Museum, Sydney, Australia  
*Come with me*, Gallery Wendi Norri, San Francisco, CA
- 2014 *Sky is the Limit*, Harbour City, Hong Kong  
*Out Side Looking In*, Lesley Kehoe Galleries, Melbourne, Australia
- 2013 *Palimpsest*, Harvard University, Reischauer Institute, Cambridge, Boston  
*The Standard Rendezvous*, Zidoun Gallery, Luxembourg
- 2012 *New Works*, Mark Moore Gallery, Los Angeles, CA  
*The Future Is Always Bright*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Thousand Regards*, Katzen Art Center, American University Museum, Washington DC
- 2011 *East Weets Mest*, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY
- 2010 *In Case You're Lost*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2009 *Glancing at the Twin Peak*, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY

- 2007 *Polarize*, FIFTY24SF Gallery in San Francisco, CA  
*Between the Polar*, Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Kashiwa, Chica, Japan
- 2006 *Matzu-MTP Expo*, Gallery SPEAK FOR, Tokyo, Japan
- 2005 *Re-Union*, Studio K in Tokyo, Japan  
*Papiloot*, FTC in San Francisco, CA
- 2004 *Nothing In Progress*, Reed Space, New York, NY  
*Tomokazu Matsuyama*, Hankyu Department Gallery, Osaka, Japan  
*Asian Aesthetic Consumerism*, Levi Strauss Gallery, New York, NY

#### 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 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 Kogei!*, Iwase, Toyama, Japan
- 2024 *Pop Forever: Tom Wesselmann &...*, Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, France
- 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 *Inauguration group show*, Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Dubai, UAE  
*Official Collateral Project at Yanköşe and Galataport*, 17th Istanbul Biennial, Istanbul, Turkey
- 2021 *Realms of Refuge*, Kavi Gupta, Chicago, IL  
*Home & Away : Selections From Common Practice*, Miles McEnery Gallery, New York, NY  
*Nature Morte*, The Hole, New York, NY
- 2020 *The World : From the OKETA COLLECTION*, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Japan  
*We Used To Gather*, Library Street Collective, Detroit, MI
- 2019 *Poofy Wan Wan*, curated by Kathy Grayson, Collaborations, Copenhagen, Denmark  
*Fixed Contained*, curated by Tomokazu Matsuyama, Korato Nukaga Gallery, Tokyo
- 2018 *The Wynwood Walls*, Art Basel-Miami, Miami, USA  
*PARDON MY LANGUAGE*, curated by Tomokazu Matsuyama, with Wim Delvoye, Carlos Rolón / Dzine, Robert Lazzarini, Tomokazu Matsuyama, Jayson Musson and Alison Elisabeth Taylor, Zidoun-Bossuyt Gallery, Luxembourg
- 2017 *Re:define*, Goss Foundation, Dallas, Texas  
*Forms and Effects : Ukiyo-e to Anime*, Ramapo College, NJ  
*Manga and War*, Ramapo College, NJ
- 2013 *Messin' With the Matsers*, Mesa Contemporary Arts Center, Arizona, AZ  
*Edo-Pop*, The Graphic Impact of Japanese Prints, co-curated with Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Japan Society, New York, NY  
*Changing World Through Art*, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, NY
- 2012 *Re:define*, Goss Foundation, Dallas, Texas, TX  
*Summer Group Show*, Joshua Liner Gallery New York, NY  
*untitled, No. 1*, Randall Scott Projects, Washington D.C
- 2011 *untitled*, Museum of Tibet House, 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 2*, Haunch of Venison Gallery, New York, NY  
*The Open Day Book Exhibition*, LACE- Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibition, Los Angeles, CA
- 2010 *Sugi-PoPi!- The Influence of Anime and Manga on Contemporary Art*, Portsmouth Museum of Art, New Hampshire, PA  
*Summer Group Exhibition*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Fransisco, CA  
*DRAW*, Museo De La Ciudad De Mexico, Mexico  
*Changing the World Through Art*, Haunch of Venison Gallery, New York, NY
- 2009 *Lost in Mutation: The Surreal in Contemporary Japanese Art*, Tufts University, Aidekman Arts Centre, Cambridge, MA  
*UNFRAMED 2009*, curated by Jane Holzer and Stephan Heighton, 15 Union Square, New York, NY
- 2008 *Winter Group Show*, Frey Norris Gallery, San Fransisco, CA  
*What's so Funny About Peace, Love and Understanding?*, Esso Gallery, New York, NY  
*Eyes and Curiosity vol. 4*, Mizuma Art Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
*Night Watch*, TSCA, Chiba, Japan  
*Locked and Loaded*, Joshua Liner Gallery, New York, NY  
*27th WPA Art Gala*, Katzen Art Center, American University, Washington, DC  
*Piece of Peace*, Parco Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 2007 *Independent Residents*, Lineage Gallery, Philadelphia, PA  
*U Can't Touch This: The New Asian Art*, Zone: Chelsea Center for the Art in New York, NY  
*Living Lines*, J Flynn Gallery, Costa Mesa, CA  
*Bunkamura Art Show/BAS2007*, Bunkamura Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
*Project To Surface*, curated by Dreamsomuch, M127 in New York, NY  
*The Want 2B Square Show NYC*, Skylight Studios, New York, NY  
*Natural Drift*, Takuro Someya Contemporary Art, Kashiwa Chiba, Japan  
*Winter Faction*, Lineage Gallery, Philadelphia, PA
- 2006 *In-You*, Riviera Gallery, Brooklyn, NY  
*Brave-Art*, Telus Centre, Whistler, British Columbia, Canada  
*Beast from the East*, Project Gallery, Culver City, CA
- 2005 *Institu*, Triple Crown, Brooklyn, NY
- 2004 *Shift*, Supreme Trading Gallery, New York, NY  
*Street Wise" at Lab 101 Gallery*, Santa Monica, CA  
*Frost Bite*, 111 Minna Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Dream So Much 2*, Asian American Arts Center, New York, NY
- 2003 *Art Kites*, Punch Gallery, San Francisco, CA  
*Untitled*, Start Soma Gallery, San Francisco, CA
- 2002 *Untitled*, Pratt Institute, New York, NY  
*Untitled*, KCDC, Brooklyn, NY

## PUBLICATIONS

- 2019 The New York Times VOL., CLXIX, 58493, Fine Arts & Exhibitions, Published on October 27
- 2018 The Nikkei, Published on May 1 Asahi Shimbun-Newspaper, Published on April 26
- 2013 Howell, David L. *Tomokazu Matsuyama: Palympsest*. Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies, Harvard University, MA.  
 Shionoiri, Yayoi. *Tomokazu Matsuyama: Thousand Regards*. Panorama Publishing, Tokyo
- 2010 *Further*. Gingko Press, USA, 2010:156-203  
 Marx, David. "Dual Citizen, Tomokazu Matsuyama." *Made Of Japan*. Onitsuka Tiger, UK.  
*In Case You're Lost, Tomokazu Matsuyama*. Bunka Printing and Publishing, Tokyo.
- 2009 Shiner, Eric, Alexandra Chang and Kenji Kubota. *Tomokazu Matsuyama*, Panorama, Tokyo
- 2007 Ching, Alexandra. *Tomokazu Matsuyama: Found Modern Library*. FIFTY24SF Gallery Books, CA.
- 2003 Chang, Alexandra and Richard Chang. *Dream So Much: 2 Artists Books*. Asian American Arts Centre, NY.