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**“Future Artists Tokyo” Exhibition Featuring the Work of 38 Students
Asking New Questions About Contemporary Society
Selected from 101 Students at 19 Art Colleges Around Japan
Curated by Intercollegiate Team of 7 Students
Held Concurrently with Art Fair Tokyo 2019**

In partnership with art colleges around Japan, Art Tokyo Association will organize the exhibition “Future Artists Tokyo,” where teams of students produce and curate the artworks, concurrently with Art Fair Tokyo 2019.

For “Future Artists Tokyo,” students harness their respective areas of study to realize the exhibition. Not only do they create the artworks shown at the exhibition, they also select the artworks, decide the theme, and plan, set up, and run the exhibition. In this way, the project aims to cultivate the next generation of artists and curators capable of working internationally through providing a platform for participants to gain hands-on and practical experience.

Following the inaugural exhibition in March 2018 at which six colleges took part, the second edition will expand to 19 colleges and universities, featuring 38 students selected from 101 candidates, and a team of seven students serving as producers and curators. The work of the students has already won many prizes and accolades within Japan, not least Chisato Matsumoto (Hiroshima City University), who created a dyeing and weaving work live during Roppongi Art Night 2018. Their exhibits will be curated according to the rich and fresh perspectives of fellow students. The entrance to Art Fair Tokyo 2019 will transform with this gathering of future art scene talent from all over Japan.



Future Artists Tokyo - EЯLlection of Anonymous -

The recent development of social media has led to increasing prominence of statements made by anonymous others that we cannot identify. Exhausted by the hypersensitivity of response that characterizes this mode of communication, many people have started to disguise themselves with the veil of anonymity. The exhibition theme of “EЯLlection of Anonymous” metaphorically suggests both an election of the international hacktivist group Anonymous and a state of sensory excitement. If we were to remove the veil of anonymity from these faceless others, they would become actual human beings and their concealed personalities would come to the surface. At this exhibition, hear the cry and feel the energy pulsating from the intense individuality of these 38 artists' work that is compelling enough to make the heart rate of each and every viewer beat faster.

■ **Curators**

Kenta Ichinose / Bongsou KIM (Tokyo University of the Arts)
Ayaka Shinokura (University of Tsukuba)
Moeka Suzuki (Joshibi University of Art and Design)

Masane Naito / Shiori Nagata (Tama Art University)
Kento Nakashima (Musashino Art University)

■ **Artists**

DAITO Shinobu / SUZUKI Ayano (Aichi University of the Arts)
OSANAI Marie / SOUTOME Kaoru (Akita University of Art)
SAKAMOTO Takuya / TONO Shiori (Onomichi City University)
KANEYASU Hiroshi / TAKAHASHI Naohiro (Kanazawa College of Art)
IGUCHI Asami / TOBISHIMA Tatsuya (Kyushu Sangyo University)
SAKAI Risa / JO Aine (Kyoto City University of Arts)
OKAYAMA Sorachi / TANAKA Soichi (Saga University)
WATANABE Ayano / TAKEUCHI Natsuki (Joshibi University of Art and Design)
SASAKI Yu / Wu Qiong (Tama Art University)
AGATA Yosuke / MATSUI Chinatsu (University of Tsukuba)

Kim Jihye / SAWASAKI Hanako (Tokyo University of the Arts)
Zeng Chao / FURUKI Hiromi (Tokyo Zokei University)
MIURA Saiki / ISHIHARA Yo (Tohoku University of Art and Design)
Wang Shuqiang / SAKURADA Hayase (Tokoha University)
INOUE Akito / NAITO Hisatsugu (Nagoya Zokei University)
KONDO Takaaki / NARIMOTO Haruka (Nihon University Graduate School of Art Fine Art and Design)
MATSUMOTO Chisato / KOMATSUBARA Yusuke (Hiroshima City University)
AKIMOTO Hisashi / HIROOKA Tomoya (Musashino Art University)
EBINE Makoto / NAGURA Ayumu (Yokohama University of Art and Design)



Future Artists Tokyo

“Future Artists Tokyo” is an exhibition aiming to create artists and curators who can work internationally, and provide opportunities for students with art aspirations to acquire practical experience. In partnership with art colleges around Japan, a selected group of students produces new artworks while an intercollegiate team of student curators oversees the choice of theme and exhibits. Art Tokyo Association has organized the exhibition since 2018 in order to contribute to the growth of the Japanese art scene and cultivate new talent.

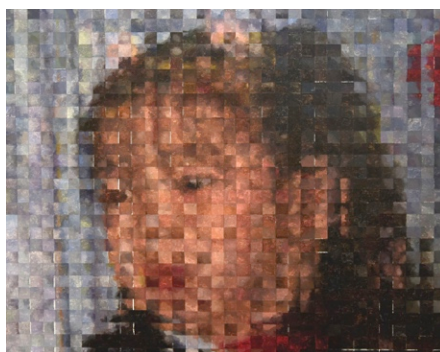
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MATSUMOTO Chisato
『Imagine the crowd』



TONO Shiori
『Recital』



JO Aine
『Evening bell』

Future Artists Tokyo - ERLection of Anonymous -

Event Title : Future Artists Tokyo - ERLection of Anonymous -
Organizer : Art Tokyo Association
D a t e s : Thursday, March 7th – Sunday, March 10th 2019
Venues : Tokyo International Forum Lobby Gallery (3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo)
(Situated in the main lobby of Tokyo International Forum) ※ Free Admisscion

Collaborative Partner: Future Artists Tokyo Cooperation committee (Tokyo University of the Arts / University of Tsukuba / Joshibi University of Art and Design / Tokyo Zokei University / Tama Art University / Musashino Art University)
Chairman: Toyomi Hoshina (Trustee, Vice President, Tokyo University of the Arts)

Sponsor: Warehouse TERRADA
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【 Participating Universities 】

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Onomichi City University
Kanazawa College of Art
Kyushu Sangyo University
Kyoto City University of Arts
Saga University

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