

For Immediate Release

the Asian Art Award 2018 Finalists Exhibition started Related Events During Art Fair Tokyo 2018 at Tokyo International Forum

March 8th (Fair Preview): Asian Art Award 2018 Grand Prize Announcement Press Conference

March 9th-11th: Screening of Asian Art Award 2017 Grand Prize Winner Chikako Yamashiro's Mud men (2017 Film Ver.)

Established in 2017, the second edition of the Asian Art Award supported by Warehouse TERRADA will be held this March. Concurrently with the Asian Art Award 2018 Finalists Exhibition, the winner of the Grand Prize at the inaugural award in 2017 will also be on display at Art Fair Tokyo 2018. For three days between March 9th and March 11th, the TERRADA Art Bus will transport visitors between four major art attractions in Tokyo. Enjoy the art that the city has to offer during this season.

Asian Art Award 2017 Grand Prize Winner Exhibition Summary

Dates March 9th (Fri.) - 18th (Sun.), 2018

Screening (TBC) March 9th 1pm-8pm

> 10th 1pm-8pm 11th 11am-5pm

Venue Tokyo International Forum, Hall E, Seminar Room (inside Art Fair Tokyo 2018)

3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo



In September 2017, Chikako Yamashiro won the Grand Prize at the inaugural Asian Art Award for Mud man (2017 Film Ver.). Exhibited to acclaim at Art Stage Singapore 2018 in January, it will be screened again at Art Fair Tokyo 2018.

Admission free (valid ticket for Art Fair Tokyo 2018 required)

Mud man (2017 Film Ver.) 2017 / HDV Colour / 25' 30"

In cooperation with Aichi Triennale 2016. Chikako Yamashiro. Courtesy of Yumiko Chiba Associates

Asian Art Award 2018 Finalists Exhibition Summary

Title Asian Art Award 2018 supported by Warehouse TERRADA Finalists Exhibition

March 3rd (Sat.) - 18th (Sun.), 2018 **Dates Opening Hours** Monday-Friday 1pm-7pm Saturday & Sunday 12pm-8pm

The exhibition will be closed to the public on March 7th for the final judging session.

TERRADA ART COMPLEX 4F (1-33-10 Higashi-Shinagawa, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo) Admission free Venue

For the second edition of the award, which is organized by Art Tokyo Association with special sponsorship from Warehouse TERRADA, the Grand Prize winner will once again be selected following a two-stage process. The Asian Art Award 2018 finalists (AKI INOMATA, Takehito Koganezawa, Motohiro Tomii and Masahiro Wada) were announced in December 2017. The shortlist of finalists was decided by a panel of five up-and-coming Japanese curators (Katsura Kunieda, Kodama Kanazawa, Hiroyuki Hattori, Junya Yamamine, and the award director, Keisuke Ozawa). These finalists will create new work or the equivalent, which will then be exhibited at TERRADA ART





COMPLEX in March 2018. During the exhibition, a jury of six international art world figures including Yuji Akimoto, Yuko Hasegawa, Yoko Hayashi, Joyce Toh, You Yang and Bao Yifeng will decide the recipient of the Grand Prize, who will be announced at Art Fair Tokyo 2018. In addition to the prize money, the Grand Prize winner will receive the use of a studio, and opportunities to exhibit their winning work in Shanghai and at Art Fair Tokyo 2019.

Awards Announcement Press Conference

Date 3pm March 8th (Thu.), 2018 (TBC)

Venue Tokyo International Forum, Hall E, Seminar Room (inside Art Fair Tokyo 2018)

3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo

Selection Jury *Press conference guests

*Yuji Akimoto Director and Professor, The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts

Chief Executive Director of the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa

*Yuko Hasegawa Artistic Director, Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo / Professor, Tokyo University of the Arts

Yoko Hayashi Senior Researcher & Curator, Agency for Cultural Affairs, Japan

Joyce Toh Curatorial Co-Head, Singapore Art Museum

*You Yang Deputy Director, Ullens Center for Contemporary Art

*Bao Yifeng Co-founder of ART021

Special Jury Member

Kengo Kuma Architect / Professor, The University of Tokyo

Finalists Shortlist Selection Jury *Press conference guests

*Keisuke Ozawa Director, Asian Art Award / Director, art to / Independent curator

*Kodama Kanazawa Independent curator / Senior Deputy Director of Curatorial Affairs, Towada Art Center

*Katsura Kunieda Curator, Marugame Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art

Hiroyuki Hattori Independent curator

*Junya Yamamine Curator, Contemporary Art Center, Art Tower Mito

Complimentary shuttle bus between Asian Art Award 2018 Finalists Exhibition, Art Fair Tokyo 2018, ART in PARK HOTEL TOKYO 2018, and 3331 Art Fair

TERRADA Art Bus

For the three days between March 9th and March 11th while Art Fair Tokyo 2018 is open, the TERRADA Art Bus will offer complimentary transport for visitors traveling between Art Fair Tokyo 2018 (at Tokyo International Forum), the Asian Art Award 2018 Finalists Exhibition (TERRADA ART COMPLEX), ART in PARK HOTEL TOKYO 2018 (Park Hotel Tokyo), and 3331 Art Fair 2018 (3331 Arts Chiyoda). The shuttle bus offers members of the public an easy way to catch four exciting art events happening around the city.

The Asian Art Award 2018 Finalists Exhibition is a partner event with three other major art events taking place in Tokyo this March. See the final page of the press release for the bus timetable.





Overview

The Asian Art Award supported by Warehouse TERRADA is a contemporary art award aspiring to promote emerging artists in Japan with exciting international prospects in Asia and beyond. Entrants are artists working in the field of contemporary art and whose practice engages with today's global problems.

Title Asian Art Award 2018 supported by Warehouse TERRADA

Organizer Art Tokyo Association
Special Sponsor Warehouse TERRADA

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Highlights • Shortlist of four artists chosen by a panel of five up-and-coming Japanese curators

 \cdot Exhibition of finalists and winner announced during Art Fair Tokyo 2018

· Grand Prize winner decided by a special jury of international judges

Prizes Grand Prize 1,000,000 JPY

Award-winning work exhibited in Shanghai and at Art Fair Tokyo

Art studio space rental for 6-12 months (TBC)

Special Award Art studio space rental for 6–12 months (TBC)

Exhibition Venues March 2018 TERRADA ART COMPLEX 4F (Tokyo): Finalists (4 artists)

November 2018 Venue TBC (Shanghai): Grand Prize winner (1 artist)

March 2019 Art Fair Tokyo 2019 (Tokyo): Grand Prize winner (1 artist)

Art Tokyo Association

ART TOKYO ASSOCIATION

Art Tokyo Association organizes and produces a range of art-related enterprises with the aim of developing the art market in Japan and promoting culture and art. Alongside running Art Fair Tokyo, the largest art fair in Japan, it contributes to the development of the Japanese art scene by harnessing the network cultivated by the fair to conduct market research and surveys on the art industry in Japan as well as plan art tourism projects introducing regional Japan to foreigners through the framework of art.

Warehouse TERRADA



Since its foundation in 1950, Warehouse TERRADA has acquired a strong reputation both in Japan and abroad in the field of storage technology for highly specialized products, including artwork, audio-visual media, and wine. In recent years, Warehouse TERRADA has focused particularly on efforts to expand art-related businesses, such as organizing museums, an art supply lab, rental art studios, and art awards, aiming to make Tennoz a focal point for bringing together, showcasing, and disseminating art.

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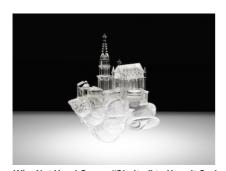
Appendix 1: Asian Art Award 2018 Four Finalists

AKI INOMATA

Born in Tokyo in 1983 / Resides in Tokyo



Aki Inomata graduated with an MFA in Inter-media Art from Tokyo University of the Arts in 2008. In her practice, she creates work in collaboration with living creatures. Her major artworks include *Why Not Hand Over a "Shelter" to Hermit Crabs?*, in which she created city-like shells for hermit crabs, and *I Wear the Dog's Hair, and the Dog Wears My Hair*, in which the artist and her dog wear capes made out of each other's respective hair. Her recent exhibitions include "Coming of Age" (Sector 2337, Chicago, 2017), KENPOKU ART 2016, and "Eco Expanded City" (WRO Art Center, Wroclaw, Poland, 2016). In 2017, she stayed in New York on an Individual Fellowship Grant from the Asian Cultural Council.



Why Not Hand Over a "Shelter" to Hermit Crabs? -White Chapel-2014
Resin
6 6 x 6cm
©AKI INOMATA. Courtesy of MAHO KUBOTA GALLERY



girl, girl, girl 2012
Bagworms, fabric, HD video, photograph
Dimension variable
©AKI INOMATA. Courtesy of MAHO KUBOTA GALLERY

Takehito Koganezawa

Born in Tokyo in 1974 / Resides in Hiroshima



After graduating from the Department of Imaging Arts and Sciences at Musashino Art University, Takehito Koganezawa relocated to Berlin in 1999 and spent 18 years there before returning to Japan in 2017. Starting from his interest in time, he employs various approaches exploring shifts in consciousness, from the use of everyday objects to shamanism. His choice of media is extensive, ranging from video to drawing, performance, sculpture, and installation. He has exhibited at such large international festivals as the Manifesta 4 (Frankfurt am Main, Germany, 2002) and Aichi Triennale 2010. Major solo exhibitions include "KOGANEZAWA" (Haus Konstruktiv, Zurich, 2009), "Luftlinien" (Haus am Waldsee, Berlin, 2012), and "Future of Smoke" (Spiral, Tokyo, 2016).



Graffiti of Velocity 2008 Multichannel video installation Dimension variable



Propagation of Electric Current 2009 223 fluorescent lamps, timer Dimension variable

Motohiro Tomii

Born in Niigata in 1973 / Resides in Kanagawa



Motohiro Tomii makes the most minimal of additions to ready-made items, releasing them from their fixed meanings in his search for the new possibilities of sculpture as a formative element possessing color and shape. His recent solo exhibitions include "Connecting Images" (Yumiko Chiba Associates viewing room shinjuku, Tokyo, 2017). Major group exhibitions include "MOT Annual 2011: Nearest Faraway" (Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo), Yokohama Triennale 2011 (Yokohama Museum of Art), "Measuring: This much, That much, How much?" (21_21 DESIGN SIGHT, Tokyo, 2015), and "Artist File 2015—Next Doors: Contemporary Art in Japan and Korea" (National Art Center, Tokyo; National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul, 2015–16). He stayed in New York from 2015 to 2016 on a grant from the Agency of Cultural Affairs' Program of Overseas Study for Upcoming Artists.



PP_FS #11
2015
Paper bag
152 x 50 x 18cm
@Motohiro Tomii. Courtesy of Yumiko Chiba Associates
Photo: YANAGIBA Masaru



Composition for Clay
2014
Ceramic, terracotta
Sizes vary depending on the piece
@Motohiro Tomii. Courtesy of Yumiko Chiba Associates
Photo: YANAGIBA Masaru

Masahiro Wada

Born in Tokyo in 1977 / Resides in Tokyo



Masahiro Wada graduated with a degree in fine art from Goldsmiths, University of London in 2004. In addition to his solo practice, he also works with alternative art spaces and artist collectives, including the National Museum of Art, Okutama and Ongoing Collective. His recent major exhibitions include "Rμν-1/2gμνR=(8πG/c^4)Tμν" (LOKO GALLERY, Tokyo, 2016), "Downpour (YAMAMBA)" (Art Center Ongoing, 2016), Oku-Noto Triennale 2017 (Okunoto Museum of Oral Traditions), Fujinoyama Biennale 2016 (former Kanbara Theater, Shizuoka), "The National Cinema of Art, Okutama" (National Museum of Art, Okutama, 2016), Kunisaki Art Festival: The Principle of Hope (former Kakaji Town Hall, 2014), and

Yokohama Triennale 2014 (Yokohama Museum of Art).



A Song For My Son–Kambara 2016 Mixed media (two-screen video installation) Dimensions variable Photo: Ujin Matsuo



A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away...
2014
Mixed media
Dimensions variable

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Appendix 2: TERRADA ART BUS Timetable