

Miwa Yanagi: Biography

Born in Kobe City.

Completed the postgraduate course of Kyoto City University of Arts

Lives and works in Kyoto

<Solo Exhibitions>

- 1993 "The White Casket" Art Space Niji, Kyoto
1994 "Looking for the next story" Gallery Sowaka, Kyoto
1997 "Criterion 31" Contemporary Art Center/Gallery, Art Tower Mito, Ibaraki
2000 "Miwa Yanagi" Galerie Almine Rech, Paris, France
2002 "My Grandmothers" Galerie Almine Rech, Paris, France
"Miwa Yanagi" Istituto Giapponese di Cultura in Roma, Rome, Italy
"Granddaughters" Shiseido Gallery, Tokyo
"Miwa Yanagi" Fukuoka Art Museum, Fukuoka
"My Grandmothers" Kirin Plaza Osaka, Osaka
2003 "My Grandmothers" Wohnmaschine, Berlin, Germany
"Miwa Yanagi" Galería Leyendecker, Canary Islands, Spain
2004 "Miwa Yanagi-Sammlung Deutsche Bank" Deutsche Guggenheim, Berlin, Germany
"Granddaughters" Lille 2004, Lille, France
"Darkness of Girlhood & Lightness of Aging" Marugame Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art, Kagawa
"Fairy Tale" Galería Leyendecker, Canary Islands, Spain
2005 "The Incredible Tale of the Innocent Old Lady and the Heartless Young Girl" Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo
"Madame Comet" Yurinso, Ohara museum of Art, Okayama
"Fairy Tale" Wohnmaschine, Berlin
2007 "Miwa Yanagi" Chelsea Art Museum, New York
"Miwa Yanagi -Recent works" Byblos Art Gallery, Verona, Italy
2008 "Miwa Yanagi" The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas
2009 "My Grandmothers" Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo
"Windswept Women-The Old Girls' Troupe" 53rd Venezia Biennale, Japan pavilion, Italy
"Po-Po Nyang-Nyang!" The National Museum of Art, Osaka
"My Grandmothers" Istituto Giapponese di Cultura in Roma, Rome, Italy
2010 "LULLABY" Rat Hole Gallery, Tokyo
"Windswept Women" LOOCK Gallery, Berlin

<Group Exhibitions>

- 1994 "ART NOW '94" Hyogo Prefectural Museum of Modern Art, Hyogo
1995 "Contemporary Art from Galleries '95" Osaka Contemporary Art Center, Osaka
1996 "Prospect '96" Schirn Kunsthalle Frankfurt, Frankfurt, Germany
"Art in Flux IV: Oh, My 'Japanese Landscapes'?" Fukuoka Art Museum, Fukuoka
1997 "Lust und leere" Kunsthalle Wien, Vienna; Arken Museum of Modern Art, Copenhagen; Kunsthalle zu Kiel, Kiel, Germany
"Future Recollections" Kyoto Municipal Museum of Art, Kyoto
"Du Construit, du Paysage" Centre Regional d'Art contemporain Languedoc-Roussillon, Sète, France
"Moment Ginza" Forgfabriken, Stockholm, Sweden
"Cities on the Move" Secession, Vienna, Austria and World Tour
"Legende" Centre Regional d'Art Contemporain Languedoc-Roussillon, Sète, France
1998 "Subterranean" Gallery Nikko, Tokyo
"Taipei Biennial: Site of Desire" Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, Taiwan
"Women Photographers from Japan 1864-1997: An Incomplete History" Visual Studies Workshop, Rochester, USA
"Max Mara Japan Art Collection" Max Mara Japan, Tokyo
"Between the Unknown Straits -Art Now in Japan and Korea-" Meguro Museum of Art, Tokyo; The National Museum of Art, Osaka; The Korean Culture & Arts Foundation, Art Center, Seoul, Korea
"Technotherapy -Produced by Yasumasa Morimura-" Central Public Hall, Osaka
"Taste and Pursuit: Japanese Art in the 1990s" National Museum, New Delhi, India; Metropolitan Museum of Manila, Manila, Philippines
1999 "The Vision of Contemporary Art '99" The Ueno Royal Museum, Tokyo
"Visions of The Body: Fashion or Invisible Corset" National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto; Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo
"A Window, Inside and Outside" Kwangju City Art Museum, Kwangju, Korea
"Melbourne International Biennial: Signs of life" Melbourne, Australia
"Fancy Dance: Contemporary Japanese Art after 1990" Art Sonje Museum, Kyongju; Art Sonje Center, Seoul, Korea
"Third SITE Santa Fe International Biennial Exhibition: Looking for a Place" Site Santa Fe, Santa Fe, USA
"A Sense of Reality" Utsunomiya Museum of Art, Tochigi
2000 "Freeze" Espaço Cultural Sérgio Porto, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
"Elysian Fields" Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
"Department Store of Contemporary Art" Yamanashi Prefectural Museum of Art, Yamanashi
"Japan Medium Light" Montevideo: Time Based Arts, Netherlands Media Art Institute, Amsterdam, Netherlands
"GENDAI: Contemporary Japanese Art - Between Body and Space" The Centre for Contemporary Art, Ujazdowski Castle, Warsaw, Poland
2001 "Complicity (Connivence), Biennale de Lyon 2001Prelude to 2003" Lyon, France
"YOKOHAMA 2001: International Triennale of Contemporary Art" Yokohama
"Senritsumirai: Futuro Anteriore; Arte attuale dal Giappone" Centro per l'Arte Contemporanea Luigi Pecci, Prato, Italy

- "NEO-TOKYO: Japanese Art Now" Museum of Contemporary Art, Sydney, Australia
- 2002 "Chameleon Dreams: Trans / Forming Identity in Contemporary Japanese Photography" Julia Friedman Gallery, Chicago, USA
 "Biennial of Sydney: The World May Be (Fantastic)" Sydney, Australia
 "Chicas vs. Abuelas" Photo Espana, Madrid, Spain
 "Future Plan" Hyogo Prefectural Museum of Art, Hyogo
- 2003 "Girls Don't Cry" Parco Museum, Tokyo
 "The History of Japanese Photography" The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, USA
 "The American Effect" Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, USA
 "Location of the Spirit; Japanese Contemporary Art" Ludwig Museum, Budapest, Hungary
- 2004 "Roppongi Crossing: New Visions in Contemporary Japanese Art 2004" Mori Art Museum, Tokyo
 "TAKARAZUKA: The Land of Dreams" Suntory Museum of Art, Osaka; Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo
 "Self-Portrait Landscape" Woo Je Gil Museum, Kwangju, Korea
- 2005 "CHIKAKU" Kunsthhaus Graz
 "Growing Old-The forms and Aesthetics of Aging~" Fukushima museum
 "Shanghai Cool" Shanghai Duolun Museum of Modern Art
 "Fashion & Style in Photography 2005" the museum Moscow House of photography
- 2006 "Slow Tech" Museum of contemporary Art Taipei
 "Enjoyable House" Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art
 "Gwangju Biennale: Fever Variations" Gwangju, Korea
- 2007 "Tsubaki Kai Ten" Shiseido Gallery, Tokyo
 "ATTITUDE 2007 - The House of Human Being" Contemporary Art Museum Kumamoto
 "Beautiful New World: Contemporary Visual Culture from Japan" 798 Dashanzi Art District, Beijing
 "Shanghai eARTs festival - Doll House" XuHui Art Museum, Shanghai
 "Global Feminism" Elisabeth A. Sackler Center for Feminism Art, Brooklyn Museum, New York
- 2008 "Still/Motion: Liquid Crystal Painting" Mie Prefectural Art Museum (The National Museum of Art Osaka, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography)
 "Tsubaki Kai Ten" Shiseido Gallery, Tokyo
 "STAGE" Daegu Photo Biennale, Daegu, Korea
 "Heavy Light" International Center for Photography, New York
- 2009 "Merry-Go-Round -twinkling and twilight" Contemporary Art Museum Kumamoto
 "Medicine and Art" Mori Art Musrum, Tokyo
- 2010 "Tsubaki Kai Ten" Shiseido Gallery, Tokyo

<Prizes>

- 1998 First Prize: Leopold Godowsky Jr. Color Photography Award (Photographic Resource Center at Boston University)
- 1999 VOCA Prize, The Vision of Contemporary Art '99 (The Ueno Royal Museum, Tokyo)
 Kyoto City Artist Prize
 Higashikawa Prize (Higashikawa, Hokkaido)
- 2000 Sakuya-Konohana Prize (Osaka City)
- 2001 Kyoto Prefectural Artist Prize
- 2004 Hyogo Prefectural Artist Prize
- 2006 Takashimaya Art Prize