

HAINES

GALLERY

TOKIHIRO SATO

Born in 1957, Sakata, Yamagata Prefecture, Japan.
Lives and Works in Omiya, Saitama Prefecture, Japan

EDUCATION

1983 BFA, Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music
1981 MFA, Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2022 *Tokihiro Sato: Hachinohe Magic Lantern*, Hachinohe Art Museum, Aomori Prefecture, Japan
2021 *Reflections*, Micheko Gallery, Munich, Germany
2017 Micheko Gallery, Munich, Germany
2015 *Tokihiro Sato*, Piet Hein Eek Art Gallery, Eindhoven, The Netherlands
Sato Tokihiro, Tsuruoka Art Forum Gallery, Tsuruoka, Japan
2014 Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo, Japan
2010 *Presence or Absence: The Photographs of Tokihiro Sato*, Frist Center for the Visual Arts, Nashville, TN
Trees, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Trees, Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
2009 *Respiration*, Dandeli Art Space, Beijing, China
2008 Fukushima City Museum Of Photography, Fukushima, Japan
2007 *Photo-Respiration*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Gleaning Light, Gallery RAKU, Kyoto, Japan
“LIPF” The 2007 Lianzhou International Photo Festival, Lianzhou, China
2006 *Tokihiro Sato - Contemporary Japanese Photography*, Tai Gallery, Sante Fe, NM
2005 *Gleaning Light*, Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
Tokihiro Sato: Photographic Light Panels, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Photo-Respiration, The Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, IL
Pin-holes, Gallery GAN, Tokyo, Japan
2004 The Museum of Modern Art Saitama, Saitama, Japan
Camera Obscura Project, Yamaguchi Center for Arts and Media, Yamaguchi, Japan
2003 Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH
Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
2001 Gallery Gan, Tokyo, Japan
2000 Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
1999 The Museum of Modern Art, Saitama, Japan (2-person show)
Asian Art Biennale, Bangladesh (2-person show)
Sakata City Museum of Art, Yamagata, Japan
Gallery GAN, Tokyo, Japan
1998 Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York
1997 Gallery GAN, Tokyo, Japan
1996 Gallery GAN, Tokyo, Japan
Gallery Natsuka, Tokyo, Japan
1995 Gallery Lunami, Tokyo, Japan
Gallery Nikko, Tokyo, Japan
1993 Gallery Surge, Tokyo, Japan
Jacobins, Museum of Fine Art, Agen, France
Spiral Garden, Tokyo, Japan
1992 Gallery Hosomi, Tokyo, Japan
Gallery Moris, Tokyo, Japan
Gallery Valentine, Nagano, Japan
Gallery Temporary Space #022, Sapporo Sapporo
1991 Gallery Lunami, Tokyo, Japan
Gallery Surge, Tokyo, Japan
E'Space, Tokyo, Japan
1989 Gallery Lunami, Tokyo, Japan
1988 Gallery Lunami, Tokyo, Japan
1987 Gallery Maki, Tokyo, Japan

- 1986 Gallery Parergon II, Tokyo, Japan
 1984 Gallery Tamura, Tokyo, Japan
 1983 Gallery Lunami, Tokyo, Japan
 1982 Gallery Tokiwa, Tokyo, Japan
 1982 University Hall Gallery, Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music, Tokyo, Japan
 G Art Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2021 *Tokyo Art and Photography*, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, UK
 2020 *Time Flows: Reflections by 5 Artists*, Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan
Time Present—Photography from the Deutsche Bank Collection, PalaisPopulaire, Berlin, Germany
 2019 *To Light*, Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
Painting with Light, Yossi Milo Gallery, New York, NY
 2017 *The Summer Show 2017*, Fondazione Fotografia Modena, Italy
Into the Woods: Trees in Photography, Victoria and Albert Museum, London
Mercedes-Benz Art Scope 2015-2017: Wandering to Wonder, Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan
 2016 *Shared Space: A New Era, Photographs from the Bank of America Collection*, McColl Center, Charlotte, NC
20 Year Anniversary TOP Collection: Tokyo Tokyo and TOKYO, Tokyo Photographic Art Museum, Japan
Lux: The Radiant Sea, Yancey Richardson Gallery, New York, NY
 2015 *Dislocation/Urban Experience: Contemporary Photographs from East Asia*, Smith College Museum of Art, Northampton, MA
Exhibition of the 31st Higashikawa Award Winners, Higashikawa Bunka Gallery, Hokkaido, Japan
Time Present – Photography from the Deutsche Bank Collection, National Gallery of Modern Art, Mumbai, India;
 Hara Museum, Tokyo, Japan
Goethe's Chamber, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
 2014 *Time Present – Photography from the Deutsche Bank Collection*, Singapore Art Museum
 2013 *The Aesthetics of Photography – Five Elements*, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Japan
Still Action!, 1708 Gallery, Richmond, VA
Hikari, Tasveer Gallery, Bangalore, India
Tamamono: From the Collection of The Museum of Modern Art, Saitama, The Museum of Modern Art, Saitama, Japan
 2012 *Recent Acquisitions: Photography*, Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach, FL
 2009 *The Secret of the Ninth Planet*, CCA Graduate Program in Curatorial Practice, Queen's Nails Projects, San Francisco, CA
LandMark, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
 2008 *Material Terrain*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
Intertextuality Of Light, East Asia Contemporary Shanghai, Shanghai, China
Summer Camp For Sculpture, Museum of Art Mercian Karuizawa Nagano, Nagano, Japan
Ogaki Biennial, Ogaki Gifu, Japan
Sight Seeing Bus Camera Project, touring exhibition
 2007 *Out of Body*, Deutsche Bank Building Gallery, New York, NY
Landscape & memory II, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
The Photograph; What You See & What You Don't, Museum at Tokyo University of Fine Art, Ueno, Tokyo, Japan
Plastic Time Contemporary Art Exhibition, Shanghai, China
The Photograph: What you see What you don't, Tokyo University of the Arts, The Gallery of The University Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan
Japan Caught by Camera – Works from the Photographic Art in Japan, Shanghai Art Museum, Shanghai, China
Toride Art Project 2007, Toride City, Ibaraki, Japan
 2005 *Director's Choice: Contemporary Art with Objects from Asia*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
The Art of Breathing in the World: Art and Respiration, Kawamura Memorial Museum of Art and Sakera City Museum of Art, Chiba, Japan
Pairs, Groups, and Grids, Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
Framing Exposure: Process and Politics, Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, PA
Sight Seeing Bus Camera Project, Ginza, Tokyo, Japan
 2004 *Temporalscape*, Haines Gallery, San Francisco, CA
 2003 *The History of Japanese Photography*, Traveling to The Cleveland Museum of Art, Cleveland, OH
The History of Japanese Photography, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX
 2002 *Staging Reality, Photography from the West Collection*, The University of the Arts, Philadelphia, PA
Regarding Landscape, Museum of Contemporary Canadian Art, Toronto, Canada
Cyclical Art Site - Contemporary Art Exhibition in Oita 2002, Oita Art Museum, Oita, Japan
 2001 *Ellipsis*, Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
Luminous, Bellevue Art Museum, Bellevue, Washington
Techno-Landscape, NTT Inter Communication Center, Tokyo, Japan

- VIBRATION: Expressive Power of Sculpture*, Utsunomiya Museum of Art, Tochigi, Japan
G. Gibson Gallery, Seattle, Washington
- 2000 *City of Lights: Art Walk*, Comité Colbert, New York, NY
Group show, Leslie Tonkonow Artworks + Projects, New York, NY
- 2000 Center for Curatorial Studies, Bard College, Annandale-on-Hudson, NY
Echigo-Tsumari Art Triennial 2000, Niigata, Japan
- 1999 *Full Exposure*, The New Jersey Center for the Visual Arts, Summit, NJ
Blind Spot 12, Robert Mann Gallery, New York, NY
Middlebury College Museum of Art, Middlebury, VT
Breathing Landscapes, Museum of Modern Art, Saitama, Japan
- 1998 *Attack/Damage*, Itabashi Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan
Japan-Brazil International Tour Exhibition 98/99, toured Rio de Janeiro and five other cities in Brazil
The 9th Bangladesh Asian Art Biennial, Bangladesh (Excellent Work Award)
Catherine Opie, Richard Rothman & Tokihiro Sato, Leubsdorf Gallery, Hunter College, NY
- 1997 *Photography and Beyond in Japan*, the Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, HI
The 6th Havana Biennial, Cuba
Ways of (Re) Production, Hara Museum ARC, Gunma
- 1996 *Photography and Beyond in Japan*, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles; the Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.; the Denver Art Museum, Denver, CO
Liquid Crystal Futures, Neue Gesellschaft für Bildende Kunst, Berlin; Göteborg Kunsthalle, Göteborg; Müscarnok Palace of Exhibitions, Budapest
Requiem - Koji Enokura and 33 Artists, Saito Memorial Kawaguchi Museum of Contemporary Art, Saitama
Twelve Environments - Japan-Netherlands Contemporary Art Exchange Exhibition, Former School-house of Akasaka Elementary School, Tokyo
Playback and Memory, Dojunkai-Daikanyama Apartment, Tokyo
Gazing into the Light - Tokihiro Sato + Shigenobu Yoshida, Iwaki City Art Museum, Fukushima
- 1995 *Photography and Beyond in Japan*, Museo de Arte Contemporaneo Internacional Rufino Tamayo, Mexico City; Vancouver Art Gallery, Vancouver, BC
After Hiroshima - Message from Contemporary Art, Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art
Haizuka Earth Works Project, Hiroshima
NowHere, Het Aporo House, Holland
Nostalgia for Future - Contemporary Art of Yamagata, Yamagata Museum of Art
Open - Air Exhibition - Passage of the Wind, Omiya
Liquid Crystal Futures, Spiral Garden, Tokyo
- 1994 *Photography and Beyond in Japan*, Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo
Liquid Crystal Futures, The Fruitmarket Gallery, Edinburgh; Charlottenborg, Copenhagen
Visualization in the End of the Twentieth Century, The Museum of Modern Art, Saitama
Time/Art 'Time' is Expressed in the 20th Century Art, The Museum of Modern Art, Shiga
- 1993 *Collaboration*, Sagacho Exhibit Space, Tokyo
Art Scope '93, Mercedes-Benz, Japan (Grand Prix Award)
1st Asia - Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art, Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane
- 1992 *1st Transart Annual Painting/Crossing*, Bellini Hill Yokohama Galleria, Yokohama
Okabe e Sato a Roma 1991, Gallery Lunami, Tokyo
Japanese Contemporary Photographs, Walker Hill Art Center, Seoul
- 1991 *The Echoes Lights*, Gallery Ai, Tokyo
Compound of the Maniera, Machida City Museum of Graphic Arts, Tokyo
Simultaneita, Museo di Roma Palazzo Braschi, Rome
Photographic Narration II, Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music, Tokyo
Line in Contemporary Art - The Destination of Eyes and Hands, The Museum of Modern Art, Saitama, Urawa
Okabe e Sato a Roma 1991, Gallery Temporary Space #012, Sapporo
The 10th Parallelism in Art Exhibition, Ohara Center, Tokyo
Make-Believe, The Photographers' Gallery, London
New Space of Photography, Wroclaw, Poland
20 Promising Photographers Vol. 2, Parco Gallery, Tokyo
Australia x Japan Joint Exhibition, Gallery Lunami, Tokyo
- 1991 *Hiroshi Yamazaki x Tokihiro Sato Two Men Exhibition*, Gallery Hosomi, Tokyo
- 1990 *The 18th International Art Exhibition Japan*, Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum
International Photograph Festival in Higashikawa, Higashikawa, Hokkaido
Japanese Contemporary Exhibition, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Pavillon des Arts, Paris
Pusan Biennial 5th, Pusan, Korea
The Imprinted Ideas, Tochigi Prefectural Museum of Fine Art, Utsunomiya
- 1989 *The Echoes Lights*, Gallery Ai, Tokyo

- Japan Professional Photographers Society Exhibition*, Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum
Lunami Selection '89, Gallery Lunami, Tokyo
Summer Festival '89 in Hakushu, ('90, '91, '92), Yamanashi
Window of Marginal Arts, Entetsu Department Store, Hamamatsu
Because, Gallery Surge, Tokyo
The 151st Year of Photography, Heineken Village, Tokyo
1988 *Photographic Narration*, Tokyo National University of Fine Arts and Music, Tokyo
15 Contemporary Photographic Expressions, Tama Art University, Tokyo
1981 *The 15th Contemporary Art Exhibition of Japan*, Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum

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- 2013 Vakkalanka, Harshini. *The Guiding Light*, [The Hindu](#), May 5, 2013.
2012 *Playing with Light: Tokihiro Sato*, [Lomography.com](#), January 6
2011 Sjostrom, Jan. *Norton Museum's new photography show taps additions of past year*, [Palm Beach Daily News](#), October 12, 2011.
2010 O'Neill, Claire. *The Mysterious Light of Tokihiro Sato*, [NPR](#), June 18, 2010.
Nolan, Joe. *Luminous Warrior*, [Nashville Scene](#), July 29, 2010.
2009 Tao, Anthony. *The Life of Light*, [City Weekend](#), September 28, 2009.
Osborn, Tracy. *Photography between actual and potential forms in Tokihiro Sato*, [Japan Exposures](#), January 30, 2009.
2005 Hawkins, Margaret. *Millennial Moment*, [ARTnews](#), April 2005.
Artner, Alan G. *Fluorescent lights add magic to Sato photos*, [Chicago Tribune](#), January 20, 2005.
Bing, Alison. *Photographic Light Panels*, [SFGate.com](#), January 14, 2005.
Golden, Michelle. *Tokihiro Sato*, [Photo District News](#), January 2005.
2003 Kuspit, Donald. *Three Photographers: Luis Mallo, Jean-Luc Mylayne, Tokihiro Sato*, [Art New England](#), October/November 2003, pp. 8–9.
2000 Hammond, Anna. "Tokihiro Sato at Leslie Tonkonow." *Art in America*, November 2000.
Aletti, Vince. "Tokihiro Sato." *Village Voice*, July 25, 2000.
1999 Nagoya, Satoru. "Tokihiro Sato: Gan." *Flash Art*, May/June 1999.
1998 Pollack, Barbara. "Tokihiro, Leslie Tonkonow." *Artnews* 97, no. 6 (June 1998): p. 126.
Costa, Eduardo. "Report from Havana: The Installation Biennial." *Art in America*, March 1998.
Nahas, Dominique. "Tokihiro Sato at Leslie Tonkonow." *Review* (March 15, 1998): p. 27.
Fouser, Robert J. "In Praise of Mad Shadows: The Photography of Tokihiro Sato." *Art Asia Pacific*, no. 21 (1998): pp. 44-49.
Glueck, Grace. "Tokihiro Sato." *The New York Times*, Friday, March 13, 1998.
1997 Koplos, Janet. "Through a Japanese Viewfinder." *Art in America*, March 1997. pp. 84-92.
Sato, Tokihiro. *Photo-Respiration from Hababa*. Tokyo: Gallery Gan, 1997.

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- 2003 [The History of Japanese Photography](#); New Haven: Yale University Press, 2003. Tucker, Ann Wilkes, Dana Friis-Hansen, Kaneko Ryuichi, and Takeba Joe.
2000 [Photo-Respiration](#); Tokyo: Nikon Salon Books, 2000. Tokihiro Sato, Enari Tsuneo and Tsuchida Hiromi.
1995 [Photography and Beyond in Japan: Space, Time and Memory](#); New York: Harry N. Abrams, Inc., Publishers, 1995. Robert Sterns.

AWARDS

- 1994 The Japanese Government Overseas Study Program
1993 Mercedes Benz in Japan Art Scholarship

PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Art Institute of Chicago, IL
Bering Securities, Ltd.
BNY Mellon Corporation
Capital Group, Los Angeles, CA
Chiba City Art Museum, Japan
Citibank, New York, NY
The Cleveland Clinic, OH
Cleveland Museum of Art, OH
Daimler-Benz
Deutsche Bank
Deutsche Real Estate Consulting
Fuji Xerox Corporation
Goldman Sachs & Co., New York, NY

Goldman Sachs & Co., Tokyo, Japan
Hara Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan
Higashikawa Cultural Gallery, Hokkaido, Japan
Itabashi Art Museum, Japan
Iwaki Municipal Art Museum, Fukushima, Japan
Japan Energy Corporation
Japan Foundation, Tokyo
La Salle Bank, Chicago, IL
Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, CA
Museum of Modern Art, Saitama, Japan
Merrill Lynch, New York, NY
Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA
Middlebury College Museum of Art, VT
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX
Norton Museum of Art, West Palm Beach, FL
The School of Business, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA
Pfizer, Inc., New York, NY
Press Kit Corporation, Toyko, Japan
Progressive Corporation, Cleveland, OH
Rand Corporation
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
Tokyo Fuji Art Museum, Japan
Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Japan
Queensland Art Gallery, Brisbane, Australia
Yamagata Museum of Art, Japan
Yubari Art Museum, Japan