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## **Shio Kusaka**

*Born 1972 in Morioka, Japan. Lives and works in Los Angeles.*

### **EDUCATION**

2001            B.F.A., University of Washington, Seattle

### **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

- 2022            *Shio Kusaka*, David Zwirner, New York
- 2020            *Shio Kusaka*, Neutra VDL Studio and Residences, Los Angeles, curated by Douglas Fogle and Hanneke Skerath [catalogue]
- 2018            *Shio Kusaka*, Gagosian Gallery, Rome [catalogue]
- 2017            *Shio Kusaka & Jonas Wood*, Museum Voorlinden, Wassenaar, The Netherlands [two-person exhibition]
- 2016            *Shio Kusaka*, Blum & Poe, Los Angeles  
*Shio Kusaka*, The Modern Institute, Glasgow
- 2015            *Jonas Wood and Shio Kusaka: Blackwelder*, Gagosian Gallery, Hong Kong [two-person exhibition] [catalogue]  
*Shio Kusaka and Jonas Wood*, Karma, New York [two-person exhibition]
- 2014            *Shio Kusaka*, greengrassi, London  
*Shio Kusaka*, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago  
*Shio Kusaka, Jonas Wood*, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago [two-person exhibition]
- 2013            *Shio Kusaka*, Anton Kern Gallery, New York  
*Shio Kusaka and Jonas Wood: Still Life with Pots*, Glenn Horowitz Booksellers, East Hampton, New York [two-person exhibition]
- 2012            *Shio Kusaka*, Blum & Poe, Los Angeles  
*Shio Kusaka*, The Modern Institute, Glasgow
- 2011            *Shio Kusaka*, greengrassi, London
- 2010            *Shio Kusaka*, Anton Kern Gallery, New York
- 2009            *Shio Kusaka*, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago  
*Shio Kusaka*, Susanne Hilberry Gallery, Ferndale, Michigan
- 2005            *Shio Kusaka*, Tortoise, Venice, California

### **SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

- 2022 *Vessels*, David Zwirner, London
- 2021 *Yakimono*, Taka Ishii Gallery, Tokyo
- 2019-2022 *Making Knowing: Craft in Art, 1950-2019*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York
- 2020 *20/20*, David Zwirner, New York  
*Pacific Coast Highway*, Galeria Mascota, Aspen
- 2018 *Close at Hand: Modern and Contemporary Sculpture*, Gagosian Gallery, San Francisco  
*Fire and Clay*, Gagosian Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2017 *Hill People*, Darrow Contemporary at Performance Ski, Aspen  
*Recent Acquisitions in Asian Art*, Allen Memorial Art Museum, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio  
[collection display]
- 2016 *Mir ist das Leben lieber, I Prefer Life, Collection Reydan Weiss*, Museum Weserburg, Bremen  
[collection display]  
*ALL RIGHT*, Redling Fine Art, Los Angeles  
*Going Public: The Napoleone Collection, International Art Collectors in Sheffield*, Museum Sheffield, Graves Gallery, England [itinerary: Touchstones Rochdale Museum, Rochdale, England] [collection display]  
*Implosion 20*, Anton Kern Gallery, New York  
*PLEASE HAVE ENOUGH ACID IN THE DISH!*, M+B, Los Angeles  
*SexPot*, Visual Arts Gallery, University of California San Diego  
*What's Up*, Soho Revue, London
- 2015 *Small Sculpture*, Shane Campbell Gallery, Chicago
- 2014 *2014 Whitney Biennial*, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York [catalogue]  
*Displayed*, curated by Matthew Higgs, Anton Kern Gallery, New York  
*FIRE!*, curated by de Pury de Pury, Venus Over Manhattan, New York
- 2013 *Tenth Anniversary Show*, Wallspace, New York
- 2012 *East and West Shift to the Middle*, Bill Brady Gallery, Kansas City, Missouri  
*Verlangsamte Performance*, Van Horn, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 2011 *Banquet of the Black Jackal*, The Luckman Gallery, California State University, Los Angeles  
*dwelling*, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York  
*Paul Clay*, Salon 94, New York
- 2010 *A Harmonious Mix of Objects*, Mihai Nicodim Gallery, Los Angeles  
*Multiple Pleasures: Functional Objects in Contemporary Art*, Tanya Bonakdar Gallery, New York  
*Not Extractions, but Abstractions*, curated by Michael Clifton, Karma International, Zurich  
*Not Extractions, but Abstractions (Part 2)*, Clifton Benevento, New York
- 2009 *Objects, Furniture & Patterns*, Art Since the Summer of '69, New York
- 2008 *Friends and Family*, Anton Kern Gallery, New York
- 2004 *164 ½*, Los Angeles  
*FAITH*, Champion Fine Art, Culver City, California

**SELECTED BOOKS & EXHIBITION CATALOGUES**

- 2021 *Shio Kusaka*, Neutra VDL Studio and Residences, Los Angeles
- 2019 *Shio Kusaka & Jonas Wood*. Revised Edition. Texts by Jurriaan Benschoop and Suzanne Swarts. Stichting Voorlinden, in association with Gagosian, New York
- 2018 *Shio Kusaka*. Gagosian, New York (exh. cat.)
- 2017 *Vitamin C: Clay and Ceramic in Contemporary Art*. Edited by Clare Lilley. Phaidon, New York
- 2016 *Shio Kusaka: Volume 3*. Karma, New York
- 2015 *Jonas Wood and Shio Kusaka: Blackwelder*. Text by Chris Wiley. Gagosian, New York (exh. cat.)
- 2014 *Whitney Biennial 2014*. Edited by Stuart Comer, Anthony Elms, and Michelle Grabner. Whitney Museum of American Art, New York (exh. cat.)
- 2012 *Shio Kusaka: Pots*. Text by Michael Ned Holte. Wood Kusaka Studio, Los Angeles

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### **AWARDS**

- 2021 *2021 Isamu Noguchi Award*, Noguchi Museum, New York

### **SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS**

Allen Memorial Museum of Art, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio  
 The Broad, Los Angeles  
 Nerman Museum of Contemporary Art, Johnson County Community College, Overland Park, Kansas  
 The Museum of Modern Art, New York  
 Museum Voorlinden, Wassenaar, The Netherlands  
 Whitney Museum of American Art, New York