



Falling Rain Into the Sea, 2011, Collection of the Artist

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OHGITA Katsuya

Shape of Light

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- Exhibition Title: OHGITA Katsuya-Shape of Light
- Period: Saturday, April 28 – Monday, September 3, 2018
- Venue: Toyama Glass Art Museum Exhibition Room 1,2 (2F)
- Hours: 9:30 – 18:00 (until 20:00 on Fridays and Saturdays)
- Closed: May 9, May 16, June 6, June 20, July 4, July 18, August 8, August 22
- Admission:
 - General: ¥700 (¥500) College students: ¥500 (¥300)
- *Elem/JH/HS: free *Price in brackets for groups of 20 or more.
- *Combined tickets with other special exhibitions are available.
- *Tickets also allow admission to the Permanent Exhibition.
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1. Outline

This is a solo exhibition of Ohgita Katsuya, an artist who creates works filled with soft light mainly using glass as the material. After graduating from Kanazawa College of Art with a major in metal casting, he studied the production of works using glass at Tokyo Glass Art Institute. From the latter half of the 1980s, he started using the cold casting method to fill the mold with glass, heat, melt, cool and solidify it, working to produce works that make us aware of the existence of light in a simple form. Looking at what he discovers in the scenery surrounding him such as houses, mountains, the earth, rain, the sea and the stars and his everyday experiences, he produces works which reflect the artist's gentle gaze toward modest daily life led in the course of natural order. This exhibition introduces his works from the beginning to the present to showcase the world of Ohgita's works with their peaceful and warm presence.

2. Artist Profile

[Biography]

- 1957 Born in Kawachinagano, Osaka, Japan.
1980 Graduated from Kanazawa College of Art (metal casting course.)
1983-85 Studied at the Tokyo Glass Art Institute.
1995-96 Trained in Europe (supported by the Gotoh Memorial Foundation.)
1997 NHK Television Program 'Saturday Art Morning "To the Depths of the Sunken Light: Glass Artist Katsuya Ohgita"'
Lives and Works in Ishikawa and Osaka, Japan.

[Awards]

- 1986 The International Exhibition of Glass Craft '86 Kanazawa, GRAND Prize & Asa Brandt Prize
1991 World Glass Now '91, Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art Prize
1994 the Most Promising Young Talent Prize in the Fine Arts Division of the Gotoh Memorial Cultural Award

[Selected solo exhibitions]

- 1997 Solo Exhibition, Masuda Studio, Tokyo
2007 Shape of Light: Ohgita Katsuya Exhibition, Takashimaya Art Gallery X, Tokyo;
toured Nagoya & Osaka
2012 Solo Exhibition, Shinjyuku Takashimaya Art Gallery, Tokyo
Katsuya Ohgita Glass Works Exhibition Condensed Light, Ippodo Gallery New York, NY,
USA
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[Selected Group Exhibitions]

- 1991 World Glass Now '91, Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art, Hokkaido
1992 International Directions in Glass, The Art Gallery of Western Australia, WA, Australia
1993 New GLASS IN JAPAN, Museum Kunst Palast, Dusseldorf, Germany
1996 The Suntory Prize Exhibition'89, Suntory Museum of Art, Tokyo
1998 Expressing'Now'Through Glass Art, Niigata City Art Museum, Niigata
2003 Outspoken Glass, Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art, Hokkaido
2004 Glass Labyrinth, Notojima Glass Art Museum, Ishikawa
2005 The Challenge of Contemporary Glass, Musee Tomo, Tokyo
2009 There Was Light Images of Light in Art, Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art, Hokkaido
Tsuneko Tanaka Collection, The Museum of Modern Art, Wakayama, Wakayama
2013 Contemporary Crafts Now: Ogawa Machiko, kuroda Taizo, Hatakeyama Koji, Ohgita
Katsuya, and Takahashi Yoshihiko, Rakusui-tei Museum of Art, Toyama
Art and Weather, Kushiro Art Museum, Hokkaido
Ohgita Katsuya ×Ueno Yuji Exhibition, Glass Gallery Karanis, Tokyo('14, '16, '17)
SOFA Chicago2013, Ippodo gallery, IL, USA('14, '15)
2014 London Collect, Ippodo gallery, UK('15)
2016 Feeling in glass, Toyama Glass Art Museum, Toyama
2017 Collective Design NY, Ippodo NY, NY, USA
Daegu Art Fair 2017, YAMAKI ART GALLERY, Korea
2018 100 Beyond Sculpture Exhibition, YAMAKI ART GALLERY, Korea
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[Public Collections]

Museum Kunst Palast, Dusseldorf, Germany; Veste Coburg Art Collections Museum, Germany;
Racine Art Museum, WI, USA; Hokkaido Museum of Modern Art, Hokkaido; Yokohama Museum
of Art, Kanagawa; Suntory Museum of Art, Tokyo; 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art,
Kanazawa, Ishikawa; Museum of Modern Art, Wakayama, Wakayama; Rakusui-tei Museum of
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3. Publication

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4. Exhibited works

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1 *Falling Rain Into the Sea*, 2011, Collection of the Artist



2 *Fog Mountain*, 2011–2012, Collection of the Artist



3 *LIGHT-SHAPE*, 2006, Collection of the Artist



4 *Across the Rain*, 2016, Collection of the Artist

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5 *garden*, 1997, Collection of the Artist



6 *HOUSE*, 2013, Collection of the Artist



7 *HOUSE*, 2017, Collection of the Artist

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