

Akira ISHIGURO

Born 1974 in Yokohama Kanagawa, Japan

Lives and works in Saitama

Akira ISHIGURO is a self-taught artist whom began his career in 2008. When he was painting faux-marble surface as an artisan, he was interested in the uncertainty of the concept of "Genuine" by painting "Fake". He presents his artworks that delve into "the interval of the torsion of the truth and falsehood" from a unique perspective.

His major artworks include "A Steganographic Romance" (2009-) series in which his oil paintings ask the ideal of the human body in the art history.

The "Gravitational Field" (2011-) series, which draws fragments of nature encompassing the whole world as a landscape painting without perspective, is a figure exploring the texture of genuine marble.

The "Marblesque" (2015-) series, which has a surface layer developed oppositely, captures the glossy sensation of 'the metamorphism by heat', which multiples the marble-generation process and the reality of the creation of its own, and turns metamorphism on the canvas. It can be said that it is a painting of an imaginary scenery.

Moreover, the "painting of Marble" (2018-) series can be interpreted as a painterly expression as well as the visual representation of 'Anthropocene', a new stratum age in geology.

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2019 "Critical Reflection on the Anthropocene through the Marblesque paintings: II"
Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2019 "Critical Reflection on the Anthropocene through the Marblesque paintings: I"
S.A.C. Subhashok The Arts Centre Bangkok Thailand
- 2017 "Painting of Marble" LOKO GALLERY Tokyo Japan
- 2016 "The interval of the torsion of the truth and falsehood" Old Tanaka House Saitama Japan
- 2012 "One wall art project" OralCare.Inc Tokyo Japan
- 2010 "ISHIGURO-YA" nca | nichido contemporary art Tokyo Japan
- 2008 "GIFT" Gallery LE DÉCO Tokyo Japan

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2018 "Radi-um: Lounge Re-mix" Spiral Room Tokyo Japan
- 2018 "KOH-JUTSU CHAPTER IX 'FU-EN'" TEZUKAYAMA GALLERY Viewing Room Osaka Japan
- 2018 "GEN-SCH-AN" Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2018 "Depression Contour" S.A.C. Subhashok The Arts Centre Chiangmai / Bangkok Thailand
- 2017 "KOH-JUTSU chapter 7.5" Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2016 "neko neko Rieko" KUNST ARZT / JIRO MIURA GALLERY Kyoto / Tokyo Japan
- 2014 "Identity X" nca | nichido contemporary art Tokyo Japan
- 2013 "Femme Fatale" Shun Art Gallery Shanghai China
- 2013 "small works" nca | nichido contemporary art Tokyo Japan
- 2013 "enishi" Seibu Department Store in Shibuya Tokyo Japan
- 2013 "ARTLINE KASHIWA 2013" Mitsui Garden Hotel Kashiwa Chiba Japan
- 2013 "TOH-KAI KO- JUTSU CHAPTER IV" Spiral Garden Tokyo Japan
- 2013 "KO-JUTSU 3.50" Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2009 "For Rent ! For Talent ! 5" Mitsubishi-Jisho ARTIUM Fukuoka Japan
- 2009 "GAISAI #12" TOKYO BIG SITE Tokyo Japan

Art Fair

- 2019 "ART TAIPEI 2019" Gallery Kogure + Roentgenwerke AG Taipei Taiwan (Oct)
- 2019 "RIN" Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2019 "HOTEL ART FAIR BANGKOK 2019" S.A.C. Gallery Bangkok Thailand
- 2019 "TAIPEI DANGDAI" Roentgenwerke AG Taipei Taiwan
- 2018 "SHU SHU SHU SHOW" Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2018 "Asia Contemporary Art Show Fall 2018 Edition" Minnano Gallery Honk Kong China
- 2018 "START ART FAIR 2018" S.A.C. Gallery London UK
- 2018 "RIN" Roentgenwerke AG Tokyo Japan
- 2018 "ART OSAKA 2018" Roentgenwerke AG Osaka Japan
- 2018 "HOTEL ART FAIR BANGKOK 2018" S.A.C. Gallery Bangkok Thailand
- 2018 "ART TAINAN 2018" Roentgenwerke AG Tainan Taiwan
- 2018 "ART STAGE SINGAPORE 2018" Gallery Kogure Singapore Singapore
- 2017 "SHU SHU SHU SHOW" GEN-SCH-AN Tokyo Japan
- 2017 "ART TAIPEI 2017" Roentgenwerke AG Taipei Taiwan
- 2015 "BAZAAR ART JAKARTA 2015" nca | nichido contemporary art Jakarta Indonesia
- 2014 "ART TAIPEI 2014" nca | nichido contemporary art Taipei Taiwan
- 2014 "BAZAAR ART JAKARTA 2014" nca | nichido contemporary art Jakarta Indonesia
- 2013 "ART FAIR TOKYO 2013" nca | nichido contemporary art Tokyo Japan
- 2011 "ART TAIPEI 2011" nca | nichido contemporary art Taipei Taiwan
- 2010 "Mancy's Art Nights" nca | nichido contemporary art Tokyo Japan
- 2010 "KIAF 2010" nca | nichido contemporary art Seoul Korea

Selected Awards

- 2009 "For Rent ! For Talent ! 5" Mitsubishi-Jisho ARTIUM Fukuoka Japan

Artist In Residence

- 2019 StudionAme Leicester UK (Sep - Dec)
- 2017-2018 S.A.C. Art & Lab and Residency Program Chiangmai Thailand
- 2016 Fuwari no mori Art Project Narita Japan