

# RINKO KAWAUCHI

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## SOLO EXHIBITIONS

### **2023**

Rinko Kawauchi: *M/E - On this sphere Endlessly interlinking*, Shiga Museum of Art, Shiga (Japan)

### **2022**

Rinko Kawauchi – *A Retrospective*, Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich (Switzerland)

Rinko Kawauchi: *M/E - On this sphere Endlessly interlinking*, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

### **2021**

*as it is*, gallery trax, Yamanashi (Japan)

*A DROP, TEATON / PHAETON*, Kanazawa (Japan)

*M/E*, Nihombashi Mitsukoshi Contemporary Gallery (Japan)

### **2020**

*as it is*, RAURAUJI gallery, Osaka (Japan)

*as it is*, POST, Tokyo (Japan)

### **2019**

*Days about Atelier Yamanami*, HOTEL ANTEROOM KYOTO (GALLERY 9.5), Kyoto / Gallery TUTUMU, Shiga (Japan)

*When I was seven.*, agnès b. galerie boutique, Tokyo (Japan)

### **2018**

*Someday for Sure*, Gallery TUTUMU, Shiga (Japan)

*A New Day*, POST, Tokyo / Orange, Kumamoto (Japan)

*Halo*, foto-forum (Italy)

### **2017**

*Halo*, Morioka Shoten, Tokyo (Japan)

*Halo*, POST, Tokyo (Japan)

*Halo*, Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich (Switzerland)

*lebenswelt / life-world*, Alexander Tutsek-Siftung, München (Germany)

### **2016**

*The river embraced me*, Meessen De Clercq, Brussels (Belgium)

*The rain of blessing*, gallery 916, Tokyo (Japan)

*The river embraced me*, Contemporary Art Museum, Kumamoto (Japan)

*Someday for sure*, Orange, Kumamoto / gallery trax, Yamanashi (Japan)

*Till The Day*, Noma t.d. store, Tokyo (Japan)

### **2015**

*Let's sing a song our bodies know*, Gucci Shinjuku (Japan)

*Illuminance*, Kunsthaus Wien, Vienna (Austria)

### **2014**

*Illuminance and Ametsuchi*, Fotomuseum, Antwerp (Belgium)

*Light and Shadow*, Colissimo, Hyogo (Japan)

*Ametsuchi*, Main Gallery Lesley University College of Art and Design, Cambridge (USA)

*New Pictures 9: Rinko Kawauchi*, Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis (USA)

### **2013**

*Ametsuchi*, Galerie Priska Parquer, Cologne (Germany)

*Light and Shadow*, KAGIYA Building 4F Gallery, Hamamatsu (Japan)

*Ametsuchi*, Aperture Gallery, New York (USA)

*Light and Shadow*, msc Gallery, Doshisha Women's College of Liberal Arts, Kyoto (Japan)

*Ametsuchi*, Rose Gallery, Santa Monica (USA)

*Illuminance*, curated by Elio Grazioli, Palazzo Casotti, Reggio Emilia (Italy)

*Illuminance*, Christophe Guye Galerie, Zurich (Switzerland)

## **2012**

*Light and Shadow*, Silencio, Paris (France)

*Illuminance*, Ametsuchi, *Seeing Shadow*, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo (Japan)

*Light and Shadow*, TRAUMARIS, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2011**

*A Glimmer in Silence*, FO.K.U.S Kunst Stadtforum, Innsbruck (Austria)

*Illuminance*, FOIL GALLERY, Tokyo (Japan)

*Illuminance*, Gallery at Hermès, New York (USA)

*murmuration*, Rose Gallery, Los Angeles (USA)

## **2010**

*the eyes, the ears*, Kunstverein Augsburg, Augsburg (Germany)

*A Glimmer in Silence*, Galeria Priska Pasquer, Cologne (Germany)

*AILA*, Seian University of Art and Design, Shiga (Japan)

*Iridescence*, Meessen De Clercq, Brussels (Belgium)

Rinko Kawauchi: *Transient Wonders, Everyday Bliss – Photography, Video and Slides*, ARGOS Centre for Art and Media, Brussels (Belgium)

## **2009**

*Condensation*, Mountain Fold Gallery, New York (USA)

*a pause*, GALLERY TRAX, Yamanashi (Japan)

## **2008**

Rinko Kawauchi, *presente par Antoine de Vilmorin*, Paris (France)

Cui Cui, The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka (Japan)

*Semear*, FOIL GALLERY, Tokyo (Japan)

UTATANE, Galeria Pepe Cobo, Madrid (Spain)

## **2007**

*Cohan and Leslie*, New York (USA)

*Semear*, Museu de Arte Moderna de São Paulo, São Paulo (Brazil)

*AILA + the eyes, the ears*, Fotografins Hus, Stockholm (Sweden)

*AILA + the eyes, the ears*, Hasselblad Centre, Göteborg (Sweden)

## **2006**

*AILA + the eyes, the ears*, FOTOGRAFISK CENTER, Copenhagen (Denmark)

Galerie Priska Pasquer, Cologne (Germany)

*AILA + the eyes, the ears*, Galeria Carla Sozzani, Milan (Italy)

Rinko Kawauchi, The Photographers' Gallery, London (UK)

## **2005**

*AILA + Cui Cui + the eyes, the ears*, Foundation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain, Paris (France)

*AILA*, Kanaz Forest of Creation, Fukui (Japan)

*AILA*, Cohan and Leslie, New York (USA)

Cui Cui, QUATRE, Firenze (Italy)

## **2004**

*AILA*, California Museum of Photography, UC Riverside (USA)

UTATANE, Cohan and Leslie, New York (USA)

*AILA*, Little More Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2003**

HANABI, white cube, Kyoto (Japan)

HANABI, Little More Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

*Blue*, Rocket Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

Rinko Kawauchi, 4F Gallery, Los Angeles (USA)

*Wacall photo exhibition*, Spiral Garden, Tokyo (Japan)

UTATANE, Vonrot gallery, Berlin (Germany)

## **2002**

HANABI, Little More Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

UTATANE, Colette, Paris

## 2001

UTATANE, Parco Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

HANABI, Gray, Tokyo (Japan)

HANAKO, Little More Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

HIBI, Aki-Ex Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

## 2000

HITOIKI, Light Works, Kanagawa (Japan)

## 1998

UTATANE, Guardian Garden, Tokyo (Japan)

## GROUP EXHIBITIONS

### 2022

Wabi Sabi, Japanmuseum SieboldHuis (Netherlands)

I have not loved (enough or worked), The Art Gallery of Western Australia (AGWA) (Australia)

Des Oiseaux, Galerie Le Château d'Eau, Toulouse (France)

Rinko Kawauchi and Yamanami Kobo, evam eva Yamanashi, Yamanashi (Japan)

Art & New Ecology, THE UNIVERSITY ART MUSEUM, Tokyo (Japan)

Nobuyoshi Araki y Rinko Kawauchi, Fundación Texo, Asuncion (Paraguay)

How the Bitter Orange Bore Fruit, Rainy Day Bookstore & Café, Tokyo / Bookshop Title, Tokyo / Daidai Bookshop, Kumamoto

Flower of Life" Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka (Japan)

HOMO FABER 2020 'The Ateliers of Wonders, Basilica di San Giorgio Maggiore, Venice (Italy)

Yamanami, umi no schole, Shiga (Japan)

Rinko Kawauchi and Yamanami Kobo, Higashi Osaka City Art Center, Osaka (Japan)

### 2021

Thailand Biennale Korat 2021, Korat (Thailand)

Prix Pictet 2021: Fire, Tokyo Photographic Art Museum, Tokyo (Touring more than 12 other spaces) (Japan)

WAYS OF TELLING, Tokyo Shibuya Koen-dori Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

CHIBA FOTO, Chiba Chuo Community Center, Matsunami, Chiba (Japan)

Les Citoyens: Uno sguardo di Guillermo Kuitca sulla collezione della Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain, Milano (Italy)

Past and Present, Positions of Japanese Photography, Mönchehaus Museum Goslar, Goslar (Germany)

### 2020

Jimei x Arles International Photo Festival 2020 'Insights into a Time: Japanese Photography Now, Jimei (China)

Our Duty is to Experiment - 20 years Galerie PRISKA PASQUER, Galerie Priska Pasquer, Cologne (Germany)

The Sense of Wonder into another garden, Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum (Japan)

Timeless Conversations 2020: Voices from Japanese Art of the Past and Present, The National Art Center, Tokyo (Japan)

### 2019

CAMK Collection Exhibition, Contemporary Art Museum, Kumamoto (Japan)

Miffy's Field of Flowers: The World of Dick Bruna Picture Books, Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka (Japan)

TOP Collection, Reading Images: The Time of Photography, TOP MUSEUM, Tokyo (Japan)

Lianzhou Foto Festival 15th Edition (China)

### 2018

Forever (and again), IZU PHOTO MUSEUM, Shizuoka (Japan)

A Matter of Light, PALAZZO REALE, Milan (Italy)

Asama International Photo Festival, Nagano (Japan)

A Beautiful Moment, Huis Marseille, Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

25th Anniversary in Gallery Trax vol.I, gallery trax, Yamanashi (Japan)

Incognito: The Eye in Search, The 6th SIPF 2018 Festival, Singapore (Singapore)

TAYLOR WESSING PHOTOGRAPHIC PORTRAIT PRIZE 2018, National Portrait Gallery, London (United Kingdom)

The Unending Gift, Meessen De Clercq, Brussels (Belgium)

### 2017

Prix Pictet, V&A Museum, London (United Kingdom)

Seize the Uncertain Day, Chinretsukan Gallery, The University Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, Tokyo (Japan)

Somewhere I Have Never Travelled, URANO, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2016**

Somewhere I Have Never Travelled, URANO, Tokyo (Japan)

Japanese Photography from Postwar to Now, SF MOMA, San Francisco (USA)

Seize the Uncertain Day, Chinretsukan Gallery, The University Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2015**

In the Wake, Japanese Photographers Respond to 3/11, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (USA)

## **2014**

Homo Ludens, Meessen De Clercq, Brussels (Belgium)

Inaugural exhibition, Sherrick & Paul Biwako, Shiga (Japan)

Paraty en Foco en festa, Paraty (Brazil)

Rinko Kawauchi x NOMA t.d., gallery trax, Yamanashi - TRAUMARIS, Tokyo - rizm, Hyogo (Japan)

Landskrona Fotofestival 2014, Landskrona (Sweden)

Photography will be, Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art, Nagoya (Japan)

VIVID MEMORIES, Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain, Paris (France)

## **2013**

Exhibition of the 29th Higashikawa Award Winners, Higashikawa Bunka Gallery, Hokkaido (Japan)

The Aesthetics of Photography - Five Elements Collection Exhibition 2013, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo (Japan)

Fotografia Europea, Reggio Emilia (Italy)

## **2012**

Daegu Photo Biennale 2012, Daegu (Korea)

Deutsche Börse Photography Prize 2012, The Photographers' Gallery, London and Co Berlin, Berlin (Germany)

To Wander a Garden, The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka (Japan)

Visible / Invisible, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi (Japan)

## **2011**

FotoGrafia - Festival Internazionale di Roma, Roma (Italy)

Fotofestival Mannheim Ludwigshafen Heidelberg, Mannheim (Germany)

Le Mois de la Photo à Montréal, Montréal (Canada)

Colloquy and Soliloquy, Mountain Fold Gallery, New York (USA)

Bye Bye Kitty!!! Between Heaven and Hell in Contemporary Japanese Art curated by David Elliott, Japan Society, New York (USA)

## **2010**

The 6th Lianzhou Photography Festival, Lianzhou (China)

Brighton Photo Biennial 2010 New Documents curated by Martin Parr, Brighton (UK)

Summer Loves, Huis Marseille, Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

Kassel Fotobook Festival 2010, Documenta Halle, Kassel (Germany)

## **2009**

Touch the World Borderless, Art Museum NO-MA, Shiga (Japan)

Photography Now China, Japan, Korea San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco (USA)

Parrworld (touring), Jeu de Paume, Paris (France) touring to BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art, Gateshead (UK)

FotoGrafia Festival International in Roma Palazzo delle Esposizioni, Rome (Italy)

Verdure! New Acquisitions and Related Works of the Collection, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi (Japan)

## **2008**

Blooming: Brazil-Japan Where You Are, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi (Japan)

Urban Future #2, Huis Marseille, Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

Parrworld, Haus der Kunst, Munich (Germany)

## **2007**

Curator's Choice '07: Museum Dialogues, Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2006**

A to Z by Yoshitomo Nara + graf, Yoshii Brick House, Aomori (Japan)

PHotoEspaña 2006, Madrid (Spain)

Collection of the Fondation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain, Museum Contemporary Art, Tokyo (Japan)

Whisper not!, Huis Marseille, Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

## **2004**

Lonely Planet, Art Tower Mito Contemporary Art Center, Ibaraki (Japan)

AILA & UTATANE, Rencontres d'Arles Photographie (France)

## **2003**

Love Planet, The 41st Okayama City Arts Festival Program, Okayama (Japan)

HOPE, Laforet Museum, Tokyo (Japan)

FOIL, Litte More Gallery, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2002**

Kimura Iehei Award Winners Exhibition Minolta, Photo Space Shinjuku, Tokyo (Japan)

## **2000**

Hinata Kanata, Landmark Tower Gallery, Kanagawa (Japan)

## AWARDS

### **2023**

Outstanding Contribution to Photography Award 2023

### **2013**

The 29th Higashikawa Award, Domestic Photographer Award

Art Encourage Prize for New Artist from the Ministry of Education

### **2009**

ICP 25th Annual Infinity Award, Art Category

### **2002**

Winner of the 27th Kimura Iehei Award

The Photographic Society of Japan, the Rookie of the Year Award

### **1997**

Grand Prix Prize, The Guardian Garden's 9th Hitotsubo Award

## COLLECTIONS

The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka

Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi

Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo

Foundation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain, Paris

Huis Marseille, Amsterdam

Museu de Arte Moderna de São Paulo, São Paulo

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, San Francisco

Montréal Museum, Montréal

Contemporary Art Museum, Kumamoto

21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Ishikawa

## MONOGRAPHS

### **2022**

Rinko Kawauchi: *M/E On this sphere Endlessly interlinking* (torch press)

### **2021**

*Illuminance: The Tenth Anniversary Edition, 2021* (Aperture, NY)

*Des oiseaux (On birds)* (Editions Xavier Barral, Paris)

### **2020**

*Sonnafuu (Nanarokusha)*

*as it is (Chose Commune)*

### **2019**

*When I was seven.* (HeHe)

### **2018**

*A New Day* (Kyuryudo)

### **2017**

*Halo* (Aperture, NY / HeHe, Tokyo / Editions Xavier Barral, Paris)

**2016**

The river embraced me (torch press)

**2014**

Gift with Terri Weifenbach (IMA Photo Books)

**2013**

SHEETS (Kominek)

Ametsuchi (Aperture, NY / Seigensha, Kyoto)

**2012**

Light and Shadow (Rinko Kawauchi Office)

Illuminance, Ametsuchi, Seeing Shadow (Seigensha, Kyoto)

**2011**

Illuminance (Aperture, NY / FOIL, Tokyo)

**2010**

Murmuration (Photoworks, UK)

**2007**

Semear (FOIL, Tokyo)

Majun (FOIL, Tokyo)

**2006**

Rinko Diary (FOIL, Tokyo)

Rinko Diary (FOIL, Tokyo)

**2005**

Cui Cui (FOIL + Foundation Cartier pour l'art Contemporain + Actes Sud)

the eyes, the ears, (FOIL, Tokyo)

**2004**

AILA (FOIL, Tokyo)

**2003**

blue (Petit Grand Publishing, Tokyo)

**2001**

UTATANE (Little More, Tokyo)

HANABI (Little More, Tokyo)

HANAKO (Little More, Tokyo)

**EDUCATION****1993**

Graduated Seian University of Art and Design (ex Seian Women's College)