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Press Release

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Fukuoka Art Next



September 20, 2022  
ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA 2022  
Fukuoka City

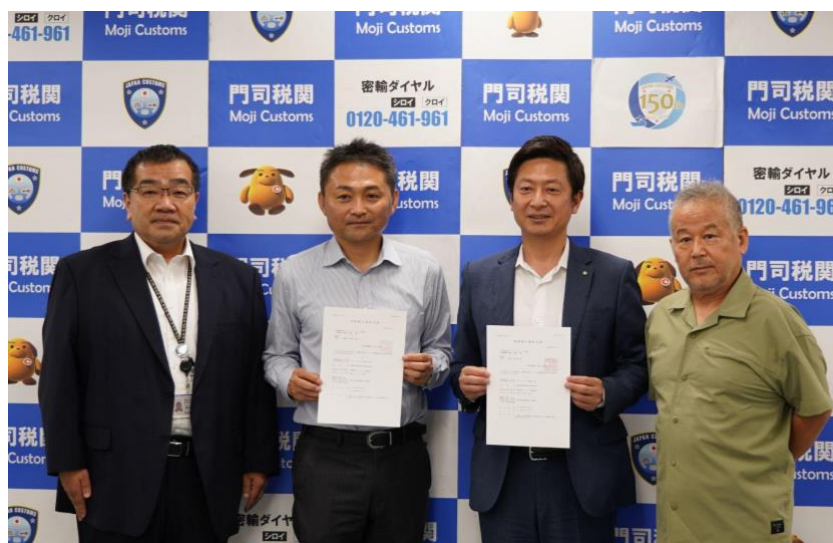
**First time in Kyushu to use the bonded exhibition space  
for an art fair and satellite events  
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The fair is co-hosted with Fukuoka City for the first bonded exhibition in Kyushu. In addition, there will be many related satellite events and talk sessions with FaN Week to fill Fukuoka city with art.

**(1) For the first time in Kyushu, we are using the bonded exhibition space system for an art fair!**

This year, the fair organization worked on an application to obtain a permit for a bonded exhibition space. This will be the first art fair in Kyushu to utilize the system. September 2nd (Fri), a ceremony was held at Moji Customs in Kitakyushu City, Fukuoka, to receive the bonded exhibition space permit. Using the bonded exhibition space for an art fair still has some issues to be improved. We will continue to work together with Fukuoka City to solve the issues and promote the art fair furthermore.



From left: Moji Customs Monitoring Manager Tomoaki Dosaki, Art Fair Asia Fukuoka Representative Director Abe Kazunobu, Fukuoka City Director of Economy, Tourism and Culture Bureau Hiroyuki Yoshida, Art Fair Asia Fukuoka Director Shunichiro Morita

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## (2) The Mayor of Fukuoka City, Takashima Soichiro, comments about ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA 2022



Aiming to make Fukuoka City a colorful city of art, we have launched “Fukuoka Art Next”. It will increase opportunities for the citizens to have easier access to art and also support emerging artists.

The 7th Art Fair Asia Fukuoka will be held jointly by the public and private sectors, with Fukuoka City fully participating for the first time. In addition, FaNWeek, an event to boost the city filled with art will start on September 23rd. Both Art Fair Asia Fukuoka 2022 and FaNWeek will bring the city of Fukuoka together.

The bonded exhibition space is used for an art event for the first time in Kyushu to invite international galleries, support emerging artists and provide our citizens experience with a wide range of artworks. We are celebrating the year to mark the good start of Fukuoka City to become more internationally valuable through contemporary art.

This is the first year that we are using a bonded exhibition hall which attracted the highest number, 75, of galleries from both Japan and overseas. We will also exhibit and sell the pieces that won Fukuoka Wall Art Project Awards at the fair.

We hope many people will come to the fair and experience contemporary art from all over the world here in Fukuoka.

The Mayor of Fukuoka City, Takashima Soichiro

## (3) Special satellite events in multiple locations!

During the art fair, various events are scheduled at the Fukuoka International Congress Centre, including talk sessions with our special supporters and gallerists, art-related film screenings, and workshops with artists.

### ■ AFAF Art Film Festival 2022

We have carefully selected six films that offer a variety of perspectives on the world of art. We hope you enjoy them at the art fair.

<Venue: Fukuoka International Congress Center 4F> Admission: Free

#### **Fri, Sep 30th**

5:00PM~ (79 min) Documentary film *Shiotsuki Toho*

#### **Sat, Oct 1st**

12:10PM~ (79 min) Documentary film *Shiotsuki Toho*

2:00PM~ (105 min) *The Price of Everything*

5:00PM~ (87 min) *Herb & Dorothy 1*

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**Sun, Oct 2nd**

- 12:15PM~ (45 min) *Egakitsuzukete 100sai~Gaka Nomiyama Gyoji~*  
(100-year-old painter Nomiyama Gyoji)
- 1:30PM~ (76 min) *Kusama - Infinity*
- 3:45PM~ (45 min) *Egakitsuzukete 100sai~Gaka Nomiyama Gyoji~*  
(100-year-old painter Nomiyama Gyoji)
- 5:00PM~ (87 min) *Herb & Dorothy 2*



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『Egakitsuzukete 100sai~Gaka Nomiyama Gyoji』



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**■ Talk Sessions**

Special guests will be invited to discuss the potential of Fukuoka City and art from various perspectives. Please come and hear the voice of Fukuoka's hot art scene.

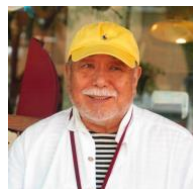
<Venue: Fukuoka International Congress Center 4F> Admission: Free

**Sat, Oct 1st**

12:00PM – 1:00PM “Why do we love Sri Lankan curry so much in Fukuoka!”



Mr. Gakuto Akashi  
ONE MEDIA Inc. CEO



Mr. Katsutoshi Maeda  
MIC INC. CEO  
Tunapaha Group, Owner

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4:30PM – 5:30PM “Discover the trend! Asia’s hottest artists found in AFAF!!”



Ms. Sachiko Iwase  
nca | nichido contemporary art director



Ms. Satoko Oe  
Satoko Oe Contemporary owner



Mr. Daisuke Miyatsu (Moderator)  
ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA 2022 Special Advisor

**Sun, Oct 2nd**

3:00PM – 4:00PM “Nature and society, art and start-ups. Aesthetics links the present and future”



Mr. Yoshihiko Haruyama  
YAMAP INC. CEO



Mr. Reito Waranabe  
DOGAN beta, Inc. Director & Partner

5:00PM – 6:00PM “The Art scene in Fukuoka! The Current! The Past! The Future!”



Ms. Iwanaga Etsuko  
Fukuoka Art Museum, Fukuoka Asian Art Museum director



Mr. Hiroki Yamamoto  
Associate Professor, Kanazawa College of Art, Art critic



Mr. Shintaro Sumimoto (Moderator)  
Curator, Exhibition coordinator

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## ■ AFAF × artdrop Collaboration Workshops

The workshop will be held in collaboration with artdrop, a project of Culture Convenience Club Co Ltd, to teach and boost people's creativity. Two artists exhibiting at the fair will be invited as instructors for this special event.

<Venue: Fukuoka International Congress Center 1F>

Fee 5,500yen (tax included / includes AFAF admission ticket) (※AFAF admission ticket will be provided on the day)

### Sat, Oct 1st

2:00PM – 4:00PM



“Abstract Painting with stunning Ginsoda blue”

Instructor: Ms. Ginsoda

Tickets → <https://221001artdrop.peatix.com/>

### Sun, Oct 2nd

2:00PM – 4:00PM



“The expression of silver and gold leaf in traditional Japanese paintings”

Instructor: Mr. Tomoyuki Kambe

Tickets → <https://221002artdrop.peatix.com/>

## ■ Other Events During the Fair

### FaN Week Fri, Sep 23rd – Mon, Oct 10th



Fukuoka City is promoting Fukuoka Art Next to make it a city full of colors. A part of it is FaN Week which will fill the city with artworks. This is a special week during which you can encounter artworks in different locations in the city of Fukuoka, such as at the City Art Museum, the Asian Art Museum, temples in the old town of Hakata, and walls at construction sites.

Various events are also held within FaN Week, and ‘Emotional Asia, Daisuke Miyatsu x Fukuoka Asian Art Museum’ is currently shown at the Fukuoka Asian Art Museum.

**[Details]** <https://fukuoka-art-next.jp/project/fukuokaartweek/>



One Kyushu Museum “Spend Your Time in the City and Enjoy the Culture!”

The Museum & Library

Mon, Sep 26th – Tue, Oct 11th

The museum offers you to enjoy masterpieces from all over Kyushu. You can read books selected carefully by experts and specialists from various fields in the library. You can spend as much time as you like in the museum and the library and enjoy the culture.

Venue: NISHITETSU GRAND HOTEL/VIORO/SOLARIA PLAZA

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#### (4) ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA 2022 Special Supporters

We have asked leading figures who have connections to Fukuoka to become our special supporters. As Art Fair Asia Fukuoka continues to take on new challenges, they are supporting us with high expectations.

We would like to introduce three supporters here in this second press release (listed in Japanese alphabetical order)



CAMPFIRE, Inc. CEO

Mr. Kazuma Ieiri

In the past, it was called Kyushu-ha (Kyushu school). Now, artists who originated from the street culture, have gained international recognition. Fukuoka's art scene is different from the one in Tokyo or any other city.

We hope that Fukuoka can become a special place to host the leading art fair in Kyushu and Asia.



Architect, President & CEO, Daio Co., Ltd.

Ms. Kyoko Matsuoka

A message squeezed from the bottom of one's special soul.

The joy of receiving the words and breath that resonate even in silence.

Whenever I come into contact with art, I feel my heart tremble.

Art also brings a completely different scene into the architectural space that I work on.

The mission of architecture is to create a certain finished form but art can bring in the beauty of incompleteness as well. With the fluctuations and changes, it draws us into space where the atmosphere changes constantly.

ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA is where galleries from all over the world will bring artworks to Fukuoka.

It is an opportunity to dive in and get lost in the sea of messages and absorb the energy of the artists through your skin. Imagine the space you want to immerse yourself in and then let's go on a journey together!



President, Aura Contemporary Art Foundation

General Producer, Kinan Art Week

Mr. Yuto Yabumoto

I've lived and practiced in Cambodia, Laos, Thailand, and other Southeast Asian countries for more than ten years. Southeast Asia is undergoing remarkable economic development, and the cityscapes and people living there are going under dramatic changes. It seems that a lot of things have been lost in the flow of modernization and urbanization. Contemporary art draws my attention because I feel that it is often contemporary artists in the Asian region who are resisting such a situation through their artistic expressions.

What can we do to maintain and develop "the unique value" that only exists in specific locations in Asia? And are we aware of that "unique value of each place" on a daily basis? Through this art fair, we hope to create a new place where we can address these issues.

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### (5) More online contents to help you enjoy the fair!

Artworks exhibited and sold at Art Fair Asia Fukuoka 2022 are now available on the special page in the Art EC Mall "Art Scenes". In addition, to enjoy AFAF, we will also be providing collaborative content on the page and on Instagram, such as introductions to galleries that are a must-see for collectors and easy explanations of artworks for those who are new to art fairs.

You can check out the articles before you visit the fair. You can also inquire about the artwork later on the Art Scenes page. Please visit the Art Scenes website to fully enjoy the fair.



A VR space, 3D scanned exhibition space, will also be open to the public during the exhibition. You can virtually look around the fair with your smartphone/computer/VR goggles. Artworks can be purchased online as well. If you cannot make it to the venue, please enjoy AFAF online.

Artworks page (Art Scenes special website) <https://art-scenes.net/en/fairs/26/artworks>

Art Scenes official Instagram [https://www.instagram.com/art\\_scenes\\_net/?hl=ja](https://www.instagram.com/art_scenes_net/?hl=ja)

## 【ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA 2022】

**Organizer:** General Incorporated Association ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA

**Cosponsor:** Fukuoka City

### Dates & Hours:

Fri, Sep 30th – Mon, Oct 3rd, 2022 \*Hotel Okura Fukuoka only ends Oct 2nd.

Fri, Sep 30th 4:00PM – 7:00PM (VIP View 12:00PM – 4:00PM)

Sat, Oct 1st 12:00PM – 7:00PM (VIP View 11:00AM – 12:00PM)

Sun, Oct 2nd 12:00PM – 7:00PM (VIP View 11:00AM – 12:00PM)

Mon, Oct 3rd 11:00 – 5:00PM

\*VIP View is the time when only VIP Pass holders are allowed to enter.

### Venues:

Fukuoka International Congress Center (2-1 Sekijo-machi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka City)

Hotel Okura Fukuoka (3-2 Shimokawabata-machi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka City)

### Tickets:

Available from August 23rd, Advance ticket: ¥2,000 / At the door: ¥2,500

<https://teket.jp/4326/14887>

WEB SITE: <https://artfair.asia/en/>

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■About ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA

ART FAIR ASIA FUKUOKA has been held since 2015 and is the only art fair in Kyushu, Chugoku, Shikoku, and Okinawa regions. Since Fukuoka has geographically and historically served as a window to Asia, we have adopted the theme of “building a bridge between Japan and the Asian art market” and aim to be an international art fair that not only introduces the domestic Japanese culture but also to introduce the artists who will carry the future of Asia and revitalise the Asian art market.

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