

HIBIKI 響

LIVE PERFORMANCE
ART EXHIBITION



Artists

Creative director / musician / artist
Benjamin Skepper

Photographer
Hidemi Ogata

Artist
Shuheï Fukuda

Art Director
Benjamin Skepper

Venue

TIERS GALLERY

5-7-12 Jingumae, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150-0001
(3 minutes walk from Omotesando Station)
<https://www.arakawagrip.co.jp/tiersgallery/>

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contrapuntal by Benjamin Skepper announce "HIBIKI: LIVE PERFORMANCE + ART EXHIBITION" at TIERS GALLERY Omotesando from 9 - 12, September. The exhibition will feature the work of 3 artists, Benjamin Skepper, Hidemi Ogata and Shuhei Fukuda.

Curated by Benjamin Skepper, the artist and art director will also present an intimate LIVE sound performance on September 11, to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the horrific twin towers attack in New York, as a meditation on world peace and self healing. The performance will also include the song FOR OUR FREEDOM, as featured in FORBES Japan and NHK National TV, in memory of 10 years since the Tohoku Tsunami, Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster.

Hidemi Ogata, photographer, made a name for herself in New York in the 1980s, capturing images of stars that defined an era: Andy Warhol, Marianne Faithful, Brian Ferry, not to mention the vivid club culture. Working between USA and Japan, she has shot album covers, fashion campaigns, and features for top magazines, active also in the advertising world. For the present exhibition, she presents a collaborative work "Beyond Religion" featuring shots of Benjamin Skepper. Ogata, upon encountering the artist, felt the presence of a symbol of a new era, a man beyond religion, race, border and gender. Sensitive to music herself, Ogata believes Skepper's music awakens and releases the memory of people on a deep cellular level. The passion that occurs upon the encounter of two people, life and death, light and darkness, good and evil, Ogata's portraits capture these opposite poles, and the the primitive consciousness that moves beyond borders, that is the essence of Benjamin Skepper.

Shuhei Fukuda is an emerging young artist presently completing his Phd at Tokyo University of the Arts. A trained fine artist and painter, his practice focuses on traditional silver leaf and Japanese paper (washi). Particularly, his work captures the living process of transformation caused by chemical reactions (natural and synthetic substances) upon the silver leaf. With time brings a variety of changes, and he will present small-pieces and large scale works as part of the exhibition.

Benjamin Skepper's calligraphy HIBIKI will also be exhibited.

Amidst the social, political and personal unrest caused by the pandemic, this exhibition calls into question the function and role of music and art, and its inherent power to heal, unite and bring about positive social change.

We look forward to welcoming you to TIERS GALLERY Omotesando.

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RECENT CHARITY PROJECTS 2021

For our Freedom in Iwate: 10 years since the Tohoku Tsunami, Earthquake and Nuclear Disaster as featured in FORBES Japan and NHK National TV.

MUSIC VIDEO: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCD4XNtONhg>

FORBES: <https://forbesjapan.com/articles/detail/40707/1/1/1>

NHK TV JAPAN: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLgPiL2oJWI&t=4s>

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Exhibition: HIBIKI 響 -LIVE PERFORMANCE + ART EXHIBITION -

Live Event: Benjamin Skepper

Date: September 11, 2021 (Sat) 18: 00-20: 00

DOORS: 17: 30

LIVE: 18:00

Admission fee: TICKETS: 5000 yen + booking fee
<https://hibiki-by-benjaminskepper.peatix.com/>
DOORS: 6000 yen cash only

Related exhibition: Hidemi Ogata (photographer) Shuhei Fukuda (artist)

Session: September 9th (Sat) -12th (Sun), 2021 11: 00-20: 00

Admission: Free

Opening: TIERS GALLERY

5-7-12 Jingumae, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150-0001

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3 minutes walk from Exit A1 of "Omotesando Station" on the Tokyo Metro Ginza Line, Hanzomon Line, Chiyoda Line

4 minutes walk from Exit 4 of "Meiji Jingumae Station" on the Tokyo Metro Fukutoshin Line and Chiyoda Line

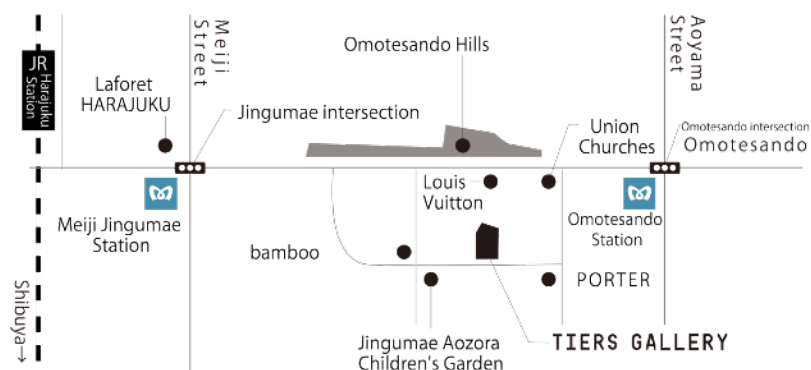
10 minutes walk from the Omotesando exit of "Harajuku Station" on the JR Yamanote Line

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ARTIST PROFILES



Benjamin Skepper

Artist | Musician | Art Director

Web : <https://benjaminskepper.com/>

Benjamin Skepper is an internationally acclaimed Melbourne born classically trained musician, operating at the confluence of art, science, technology, fashion, modern classical and the avant-garde. He is respected as a performer, composer, art director, published scientific researcher (most recently MIT 2020), cultural advocate and qualified lawyer. He is presently a Research Fellow at the Moscow State Conservatory.

In 2008 he established his creative enterprise “contrapuntal” in Tokyo, which operates globally. Clients range from major Art Museums, festivals, commercial and luxury brands, fashion, TV, theatre, film and government organisations. He is commissioned for live performances, art direction for high end events, composition and large scale art installations. He has been featured in Rolling Stone Italy + Russia, AMICA, GQ Japan, L’Officiel, VICE and FORBES.

Benjamin will release his first book (in Japanese) on September 30 with Japan’s premiere publishing house, to expand on his creative ideas in the sphere of business and innovation, as Art + Culture leading the way toward a more sustainable future.

【CLIENTS】

GUCCI | FENDI | FIAT | VOGUE | Yohji Yamamoto | H&M | Rolling Stone |
Dom Pérignon | Microsoft | Electrolux | Paris/Milan/Melbourne Fashion week

【ART】

Hermitage Museum (Russia) | Museo Del Novecento (Milan) | Kazakhstan Art Biennale |
French Embassy Artist in Residence | MONA | National Gallery of Australia | National
Gallery of Victoria

Instagram : <https://www.instagram.com/benjaminskepper>

YouTube : <https://www.youtube.com/user/benjaminvonskepper>

Web : <https://benjaminskepper.com/>

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HIDEMI OGATA

Photographer

Web : <https://hidemiogata.com/>

Hidemi Ogata is an internationally renowned photographer, based between New York and Tokyo. She works predominantly in the fashion, music, and advertising industries, capturing timeless images of top athletes, models, celebrities and artists. She has multiple photo book publications spanning an illustrious career of more than 4 decades, and has held multiple solo exhibitions in Tokyo.

【Artist Portraits】

Andy Warhol | Yokozuna Hakuho | Tadanori Yokoo | Sayoko Yamaguchi | Eikichi Yazawa | Blanky Jet City | Masato | Marianne Faithfull | and others

【Top Selling Photobooks】

『Blanky Jet City』 | 『kōri』 | 『Silver Wolf~Masato』 | 『Diamond Cat』
『I am Other』 | 『Yokozuna Hakuko』 | 『Yoko Cherry Blossoms』 | 『ROCKERS OF THE HOLY LAND』

【Selected Clients】

CHROME HEARTS JAPAN | GUCCI | JAPAN TABAKO INC., | SHISEIDO | JAL | Universal Records | AVEX Records | Sony Music | KADOKAWA | SHINCHOSHA

Instagram : <https://www.instagram.com/hidem1224/>



Beyond religion II ,
2021,
755mm×522mm×62mm,
Semi-Mat photo paper with Silver coated wooden frame



Beyond religion I ,
2021,
391mm×273mm×62mm,
Semi-Mat photo paper
with Silver coated wooden frame

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SHUHEI FUKUDA

Artist | Curator

Shuheï Fukuda is an emerging young artist, currently completing his PHD at Tokyo University of the Arts. He works with the medium of silver leaf, exploring its characteristics and how it changes over time through various natural and chemical treatments.

He has exhibited internationally since 18, including Scotland, Switzerland, France and Germany, and has already won various awards for his experimental and conceptual minimal artworks. An artist to collect as his star continues to rise, Shuheï also works actively as a curator and conceptual art director, collaborating with artists worldwide with his A03 and RINKO-KAKU [Tea Room] projects.

公式 Instagram : <https://www.instagram.com/shuheï.199431/>

【Exhibitions】

Solo exhibition: "Shuheï Fukuda-Japan-Painting" CONCEPT SPACE/R2 Gunma/Japan
"Shuheï Fukuda Change/Immutable=Universal" B104 3331Arts Chiyoda Tokyo/Japan

Exhibition: RYUHA Inheritance of School of Art and Inheritance of Style of Art
(Switzerland, France, Germany, Scotland, Netherlands, Italy, Denmark, Czech, Japan)

Curation: [RINKO-KAKU [Tea Room] Project] 19st Exhibition, 20nd Exhibition, 21rd Rinko-kaku Gunma/Japan
"Saga University ⇄ Tokyo University of the Arts Extension Project 2021" A03 Tokyo/Japan
"Saga University ⇄ Tokyo University of the Arts ⇄ IAMAS Exhibition Project 2022" A03 Tokyo/Japan

A03 (Concept):

Established in 2019 (10 exhibitions will be held from 2019 to 2021)
Including German, NY, Swiss, Danish and Japanese artist collaborations

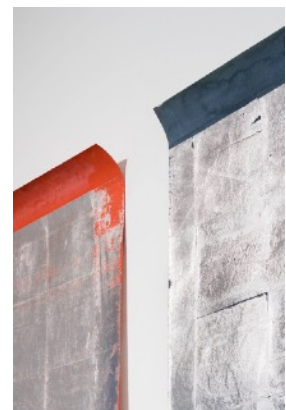
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Untitled
Shuheï Fukuda
Japanese paper, Japanese ink, slices of silver



Untitled 1
Shuheï Fukuda
Japanese paper, Japanese ink, slices of silver
183 x 122 cm, 2019
Haus der Kunst St. Josef (Solothurn/Switzerland)



Untitled
Shuheï Fukuda
Japanese lacquer, slices of silver, natural pigment
180 x 114 cm, 2018
Kvalitář (Prague/Czech Republic)

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