

## C.V.

**Naoji Ishiyama**

Master of Arts

Printmaker

Permanent technician at Grafiikka ja valokuvakeskus Ratamo / Jyväskylän taidemuseo

1965 Born in Niihama Ehime, Japan

2003- Live and work in Jyväskylä, Finland

### <Studies>

1989/3 Completed bachelor course at Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Art

1991/3 Completed Master course at Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Art

1992/3 Completed Trainee course at Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Art

### <Membership>

1992-2003 a member of the Art College's Print Association in Japan

1998-2014 a member of the Japan Print Association

2004- a member of Jyväskylä Artists' Association (Jyväskylän Taiteilijaseura ry)

2006- a member of The Association of Finnish Printmakers (Suomen Taidegraafikot ry)

### <Awards>

1990 The 15th Annual Exhibition of the Art College's Print Association in Japan

Purchase Prize

1991 The 16th Annual Exhibition of the Art College's Print Association in Japan

Purchase Prize

1994 The 67th Exhibition of Japan Print Association (Japan)

Yamaguchi Gen Newcomer's Prize

1996 The 3rd Sapporo International Print Biennale Exhibition (Japan)

Sponsor's Prize

The 14th Exhibition of Izu Art Festival(Japan)

Grand Prize

1997 International Miniature Print Competition 1997(U.S.A.)

Purchase Prize.

1998 The 66th Exhibition of Japan Print Association (Japan)

Quasi-Members Prize

International Print Triennial in kanagawa. (Japan)

First Prize

2001 International Miniature Print Exhibition 2001(U.S.A.)

Purchase Prize and Cash Prize

2003 International Print Triennial - Krakow 2003 (Poland)

Award of Mayor of the City of Katowice

2008 1<sup>st</sup> Printmaking Triennial –BRIDGES OVER MEDITERRANEAN AND BALTIC (Greece)

Honourable Mention Award

2009 Biennale internationale d'estampe contemporaine de Trois-Rivières

(Québec, Canada)

Awarded National Bank Award

2021 The 6th Tallinn International Drawing Triennial IMPULSE (Estonia)

Honourable Mention

2025 Central Finland Art Award (Arts Council of Central Finland)

### <Exhibitions>

- 1994 Osaka Triennale 1994-Print (Japan)
- 1996 The 3rd Sapporo International Print Biennale Exhibition (Japan)  
The 3rd Kochi International triennial Exhibition of Japan (Japan)  
The 10th Seoul International Print Biennale (Korea)
- 1997 Portland Art Museum International Print Exhibition (America)  
International Miniature Print Competition 1997  
(Connecticut Graphic Arts Center, America)  
International Print Triennial '97-Cracow (Poland)  
Intergrafia '97 - World Award Winners Gallery - Katowice (Poland)
- 1998 International Print Triennial in Kanagawa. (Japan)  
"Triangle Talk" Gallery You (Japan)
- 1999 Premio Internazionale 1999 Biella per l'incisione (Italy)  
German International Exhibition of Graphic Art (German)
- 2000 Y2K International Exhibition of Prints (Taiwan)  
Millennium Grafica International Print Exhibition in Yokohama 2000  
(Kanagawa Prefectural Gallery)  
International Print Exhibition "East meets West" Opole 2000 (Poland)  
International Print Exhibition "Graphic Constellation" Szczecin 2000 (Poland)  
"tenonakano rittai-ten" Gallery You (Japan)
- 2001 International Print Triennial in Kanagawa 2001 (Kanagawa Arts Foundation)  
Bharat Bhavan International Biennial of Print-Art-2001 (India)  
Graphic Art in Japan (Slovakia)  
"tenonakanorittai-ten 2" Gallery You (Japan)
- 2002 The 5th Kochi International Triennial Exhibition of Prints (Japan)  
Grand Prix of the Public International Print Triennial - 2000 (Poland)  
KOREA INTERNATIONAL PRINT ART FESTIVAL (Korea)  
Zeichen der Gegenwart (Austria)  
"rittainomiryoku 3" Gallery You (Japan)
- 2003 International Print Triennial - Krakow 2003 (Poland)  
"rittainomiryoku 4" Gallery You (Japan)
- 2004 Contemporary Art from Central Finland -58th annual exhibition of the Jyväskylä Artists' Association- (Jyväskylä Art Museum)
- 2005 KIAF Korea International Art Fair (Korea)  
4th Lessedra World Art Print Annual (Bulgaria)  
Jyväskylä Artists Association's exhibition (Art gallery Pollola, Jamsankoski)  
Graphica Creativa '05 (Jyväskylä Art Museum, Finland)  
SIPA 2005/ Seoul International Print, Photo, Editionworks Art Fair (Korea)
- 2006 Jyväskylä Artists' Association Annual Exhibition (Keski-Suomen museo)  
Further; Artists from Printmaking at the Edge (Salem Fine Arts Center, USA)  
Further; Artists from Printmaking at the Edge (Galleria Harmonia, Finland)
- 2007 Prints Tokyo 2007, Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum, Japan  
Jyväskylä Grafiikkakeskus exchange exhibition, Galleria Joella, Turku  
Falun Triennial, Sweden  
Hong Kong Graphic Art Fiesta
- 2008 Mini Print Finland, Lahti  
Kochi International Print Triennial, Japan  
1st Printmaking Triennial -BRIDGES OVER MEDITERRANEAN AND BALTIC  
(Greece)  
63rd Annual Exhibition of Jyväskylä Artists' Association (Central Finland Museum)
- 2009 Biennale internationale d'estampe contemporaine de Trois-Rivières  
(Québec, Canada)  
International Print Triennial PrintArt Kraków-Katwice 2009 (Katwice, Poland)  
International Print Triennial - Kraków 2009 (invited) (Kraków, Poland)  
The Annual Exhibition of Jyväskylä Artist's Association (Jyväskylä Art Museum)

- 2010 8 Contemporary Artists (Ehime Prefectural Art Museum, Japan)  
 "Lähde" Jyväskylä Artists' Association 65th Anniversary Exhibition  
 (Keski-Suomen museo, Finland)  
 Solo Exhibition "Drawings and Polyester Lithographs" (Laajan Galleria, Finland)
- 2011 7<sup>th</sup> International Engraving Exhibition – Cremona 2011 (invited)  
 (Cremona, Civic Museum Ala Ponzzone-Stradivariano, Italy)  
 The Annual Exhibition of Jyväskylä Artist's Association (Jyväskylä Art Museum)  
 7<sup>th</sup> Evora Printmaking Festival – International Biennial (invited, Portugal)
- 2012 4 printmakers from Finland (St. Mark's School, Massachusetts, U.S.A.)  
 TAIDETTA, haikkaakse? (Höyry-Galleria, Korpilahti, Finland)  
 Solo Exhibition "SENSE OF DISTANCE" (Galleria Mäntinranta, Tampere, Finland)  
 INNOSTAA/INSPIRE Connections North (Mercer Art Gallery, Harrogate, England)  
 The Annual Exhibition of Jyväskylä Artist's Association (Central Finland Museum)  
 SKJL(Union of Finnish Art Associations) Annual Exhibition  
 (Hyvinkää Art Museum, Finland)
- 2013 COASTIVAL: INNOSTAA/INSPIRE (Woodend Art Gallery, Scarborough, England)  
 CONNECTION NORTH (Galleria Ratamo, Finland)  
 PERIFERI (Saarijärven Museo, Finland) invited  
 SYNOPSIS (Galleria Ratamo, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
 Solo Exhibition (Galleria Matriz, Porto, Portugal)  
 Consonance Mami Higuchi + Naoji Ishiyama (Galeria dos Leões, Porto, Portugal)
- 2014 Naoji Ishiyama x New Waters (Record shop X, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
 Project: Critical Mass (Little Art Parlour, Novi Sad, Serbia)  
 The Ratamo 6 Pack (VGAC gallery, Vilnius, Lithuania)  
 Solo exhibition (Cork Printmakers showroom, Cork, Ireland)
- 2015 Contemporary Japanese Printmakers (Davidson Galleries, Seattle, U.S.A.)  
 Connections North: Mirror Images  
 (Galleria Ratamo, Finland / Inspired by...gallery, England / Ålgården Gallery, Sweden)  
 "No Name" Matkalla maan keskipisteeseen, Galleria Jarska, Säärijärvi  
 時間的敬意-Respect of Time, MUJI iapm, Shanghai, China  
 Naoji Ishiyama, Solo Exhibition, Gallery You, Oogaki, Japan  
 Connection North: Mirror Images (Caithness Horizons, Scotland)  
 Contemporary Japanese Prints (Fairbanks Gallery, Oregon State University, USA)
- 2016 NAOJI ISHIYAMA, SIZE AND DISTANCE, Galleria Seinä (Helsinki)  
 YOU MAKE MINE, I MAKE YOURS (C.I.T. Wandesford Quay Gallery, Cork, Ireland)  
 SENSE OF DISTANCE, Print works of Naoji Ishiyama  
 (Printmaking Association AGUA FORTE, Lisbon)  
 YOU MAKE MINE, I MAKE YOURS (Galleria Ratamo, Jyväskylä Finland)  
 INTERNATIONAL PRINT TRIENNIAL Krakow-Falun 2016-2017  
 (Dalarnas museum, Falun, Sweden)
- 2017 20 years anniversary exhibition of KASBA  
 (Centre Culturel de Watermael-Boitsfort, Belgium)  
 High Resolution (Centre for Modern and Contemporary Arts, Hungary)  
 Contemporary Japanese Printmakers (Davidson Galleries, USA)  
 Hovilantien Taiteilija Talon Asukkaat (Höyry Galleria, Finland)  
 PAPERMADE the 3rd International Biennale (Schio, Italy)  
 Ratamon Graafikot (Galleria Ratamo, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
 ART100+1, Exhibition of Jyväskylä Artists Association (Jyväskylä Art Museum, Finland)
- 2018 Connecting Provincial Workshops and International Artists  
 (Casa das Artes de Tavira Gallery, Portugal)  
 Connection Provincial Workshops and International Artists  
 (Härnösands Konsthall, Sweden)
- 2019 Co-drawing with Kaisa Koljonen  
 Jyväskylän Sydän 24 (Jyväskylän kaupunginteatteri)
- 2021 Terveysteksti! - Sairaala Novan taidetta (Jyväskylä Art Museum Galleria, Finland)  
 The 6th Tallinn International Drawing Triennial IMPULSE  
 (ARS project space, Tallinn, Estonia)

- 2022 UNCHANGED ORIGINATION - Print Works of Naoji Ishiyama  
(Höyry-Galleria, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
taidelainaamon kuukaudentaiteilija (Galleria Becker, Jyväskylä, Finland)
- 2023 Jyväskylän taiteilija seura, KESÄKAVERIT (Galleria Hoppa, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
KONSTRUNDAN 2023 (Jyväskylä, Finland)  
NAOJI ISHIYAMA DRYPOINT WORKS -SPIRIT OF GHOST-  
(Galleria G, Helsinki, Finland)  
Project Babel (Galleria Ratamo, Jyväskylä, Finland) as a organizer
- 2024 ME-YOU-WE The Jyväskylä Artists' Association's 74th annual exhibition  
(Aalto2, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
Project Babel travel exhibition (Constellation Studios, Lincoln, USA)  
TAITEILIJA TALOSTA (Höyry-Galleria, Jyväskylä, Finland)  
Project Babel travel exhibition (Galleri Valdal, Copenhagen, Denmark)  
KONSTRUNDAN 2024 (Jyväskylä, Finland)  
Aurora Borealis, Prints from the North (The Academy of Fine Arts in Gdansk, Poland)
- 2025 Viivahdus (Spa&Resort Peurunka, Laukaa, Finland)  
KIRJEENVAIHTO / CORRESPONDENCE (Yö galleria, Helsinki, Finland)  
CORRESPONDENCE / KIRJEENVAIHTO (Redbud Arts Center, Houston, USA)  
SMALL PRINTS Drypoint works of Naoji Ishiyama  
(Taipuu Gallery, Säynätsalo Town Hall, Finland)  
Exhibition of Naoji Ishiyama (Niihama City Museum of Art, Ehime, Japan)  
Project Babel travel exhibition (Gallery Älgården, Sweden)  
Loisto, 80th anniversary exhibition of Jyväskylä Artists' Association  
(Höyry-Galleria, Jyväskylä, Finland)

#### <Solo exhibitions>

Since 1996

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|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Galleria Shin              | (Tokyo, Japan)        | 1996                                     |
| Nagoya garou               | (Nagoya, Japan)       | 1997                                     |
| Galleria You               | (Gifu, Japan)         | 1997, 2000, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2015 |
| Galleria Koichi            | (Tokyo, Japan)        | 1999                                     |
| Isezaki mall Koichi        | (Kanagawa, Japan)     | 2005                                     |
| Galleria Harmonia          | (Jyväskylä, Finland)  | 2004, 2007                               |
| Galleria G                 | (Helsinki, Finland)   | 2007, 2023                               |
| Laajan Galleria            | (Äänekoski, Finland)  | 2010                                     |
| Galleria Mäntinranta       | (Tampere, Finland)    | 2012                                     |
| Galleria Martiz            | (Porto, Portugal)     | 2013                                     |
| Cork Printmakers showroom  | (Cork, Ireland)       | 2014                                     |
| Galleria Jarska            | (Saarijärvi, Finland) | 2015                                     |
| Galleria Seinä             | (Helsinki, Finland)   | 2016                                     |
| Agua Forte                 | (Lisbon, Portugal)    | 2016                                     |
| Galleria Becker            | (Jyväskylä, Finland)  | 2016                                     |
| Gallery Katsunoiin         | (Gifu, Japan)         | 2018                                     |
| Höyry-Galleria             | (Jyväskylä, Finland)  | 2022                                     |
| Taipuu Gallery             | (Jyväskylä, Finland)  | 2025                                     |
| Niihama City Museum of Art | (Ehime, Japan)        | 2025                                     |

### **<Public collections>**

Machida City Museum of Graphic Arts (Japan)  
A Board of Education of Numazu City (Japan)  
Hikarinotani Art Museum (Japan)  
An Executive Committee of Sapporo International Print Biennale (Japan)  
Ito City Tourism Center (Japan)  
Tosayamada City Art Museum (Japan)  
Connecticut Graphic Arts Center (USA)  
Kanagawa Arts Foundation (Japan)  
State Gallery (Slovakia)  
City of Katowice (Poland)  
SMTG (Poland)  
Jyväskylä Art Museum (Finland)  
State of Finland  
Sakima Art Museum (Japan)  
Ehime Prefectural Art Museum (Japan)  
Cremona Civic Museum (Italy)  
Keski-Suomen sairaanhoitopiiri (Finland)  
Municipality of Schio (Italy)  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston (USA)

### **< Grants >**

1.6.1999-31.3.2000

7,000 euros grant from the Agency for Cultural Affairs Japan  
For the research on transferring philosophy of woodcut printmaking to Intaglio.

1.9.2003-31.8.2004

28,000 euros grant from the Agency for Cultural Affairs Japan)  
For the research of non-toxic intaglio methods and Finnish art culture.

15.3.2005-15.12.2005

1,000 euros grant from Jyväskylä city  
For making net page to apply international exhibition for Finnish printmakers

2006

6,000 euros grant from Finnish cultural foundation  
For the exhibition in Galleria G (Helsinki) and Galleria Harmonia (Jyväskylä)

2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

1,000 – 1,300 euros grant from Jyväskylä city  
For studio rent

2009 Grants to cover the research travel in North Yorkshire for the project "Connections North" from Arts Council England

2010 Grants for the Artists in residence in North Yorkshire for the project "Connections North"

500 euros from Jyväskylä Centre for Printmaking  
1150 euros from Arts Council of Finland  
250 euros from Art Council of Central Finland  
250 euros from Jyväskylä City

2012 3000euros from Arts Council of Finland  
For materials and building up exhibition at Mäلتinranta

2016 3500 euros from Suomen Kulttuurirahasto (Keski-Suomen rahasto)  
For organizing exhibition "YOU MAKE MINE, I MAKE YOURS" in Cork, Ireland.

2022 26000 euros, one year artist grant from Suomen Kulttuurirahasto  
(Keski-Suomen rahasto)

**< Instructions >**

|                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1992-2003       | Instructor at Oogaki Women's college (Japan)<br>Subjects: painting, drawing, printmaking.                                                                                                                       |
| 1993-1997       | Assistant at Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Art and Music.<br>(Department of Fine Art)                                                                                                                    |
| 1997-2003       | Instructor at Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Art and Music.<br>(Department of Fine Art)<br>Subjects: research on progressive printmaking methods for bachelor and master course of department of Fine Art |
| 2001-2003       | Instruction at American Home.<br>Subjects: art class for children and adults                                                                                                                                    |
| 2004            | Non-toxic intaglio and imageOn film workshop for second grade students<br>(Lahti Polytechnic Institute of Fine Arts)                                                                                            |
| 2004-2007       | Intaglio workshop for adults (Jyväskylä Centre for Printmaking)                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2004-2007, 2009 | Spring and Autumn term intaglio workshop for Nuorten Taidetyöpaja<br>(Jyväskylä Centre for Printmaking)                                                                                                         |
| 2005-2014       | Light and Shade in Drawing (Jyväskylä seudun Kansalaisopisto)                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2005-2007       | Japanese Calligraphy as an Art (Jyväskylä seudun Kansalaisopisto)                                                                                                                                               |
| 2008            | Plaster Print workshop (Mikkeli)                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2008, 2009      | Plaster Print workshop (Jyväskylä University)                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2010            | Polyester Lithography workshop (Ehime Prefectural Art Museum, Japan)                                                                                                                                            |
| 2010            | Drawing workshop with Nuorten Taidetyöpaja (Jyväskylä)                                                                                                                                                          |
| 2013            | Polyester Lithography workshop (Matriz Printmaking Association, Porto)                                                                                                                                          |
| 2013            | Drypoint workshop (Porto University, Faculty of Arts, Portugal)                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2014            | Presentation of drypoint process (Ehime Art Museum, Japan)                                                                                                                                                      |
| 2014            | Drypoint workshop (Cork printmakers, Cork, Ireland)                                                                                                                                                             |
| 2014            | Presentation of drypoint process<br>(Crawford College of Art & Design, Cork, Ireland)                                                                                                                           |
| 2016-           | Drypoint workshop for children and for adults (Akagane Museum, Japan)                                                                                                                                           |
| 2016            | Drypoint workshop (Printmaking Association AGUA FORTE, Lisbon)                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2016            | Drypoint workshop (Printmaking Association AGUA FORTE, Lisbon)                                                                                                                                                  |
| 2016            | Polyester lithography workshop (Printmaking Association AGUA FORTE, Lisbon)                                                                                                                                     |
| 2019            | Drypoint workshop for Graphica Creativa 2019 (Ratamo, Jyväskylä)                                                                                                                                                |
| 2022            | Drypoint workshop (Muuramen taideseura, Finland)                                                                                                                                                                |
| 2022            | Presentation "How I maintain my curiosity in printmaking"<br>(Academy of Fine Art, Helsinki)                                                                                                                    |
| 2022            | Rediscover the drypoint method for professional use<br>(Academy of Fine Art, Helsinki)                                                                                                                          |
| 2024            | Introduction of the drypoint method for master class<br>(Academy of Fine Arts in Katowice)                                                                                                                      |

### < Monographs >

1995

A study of practical professional education in junior college –present situation and problems-  
The Bulletin of Aichi Prefectural University of Fine Art (vol.24)

1995

A research concerning ratio of mixture for etching hard ground  
The Bulletin of The Committee of University of Art and Print Studies in Japan (vol.25)

### <Publication>

Article about my works is included in the book “PRINTMAKING AT THE EDGE” written by Richard Noyce, published by A & C Black Publishers in 2006

2016, featured in Contemporary Printmaking Magazine Actuel

<http://www.actueldelestampe.com/>

### <Other activities>

Since 2005, I have been organizing Japanese web site “TAITEEN PORTTI” which collects 300 links for Finnish web pages of artists, art museums and associations.

TAITEEN PORTTI <http://www.kolumbus.fi/naoji/taiteenportti/japanese.html>

Dispatched by Luova Foorumi, I visited Japan World Expo 2005 to introduced Finnish artists to Japan. I also made Japanese web site “11 TAITEILIJAA KESKI-SUOMESTA” to publish this project.

Luova Foorumi <http://www.keskisuomi.org/luovatoimiala/>

11 TAITEILIJAA KESKI-SUOMESTA <http://www.kolumbus.fi/naoji/expo/index.html>

2009 Chosen as a exchanging artist of the project between Jyväskylä and North Yorkshire.

2009 Award jury member of International Print Triennial-Krakow 2009

2010 Cooperated work with Nano science Center (NSC)

2010 Artist in residence, Rural Arts in Thirsk, North Yorkshire, UK (invited)

2012 Invited Virve Lilja, Jyrki Markkanen and Ari Pelkonen from Finland to  
“Prints Tokyo 2012” organized by Japan Print Association.

2014 Artist in residence, Cork Printmakers, Cork, Ireland (invited)

2015 ImPRESS project for IMPACT 9 symposium, organized by Cork Printmakers

2015-2016 Organized the project exhibition “YOU MAKE MINE, I MAKE YOURS” exhibited in  
Cork, Ireland and Jyväskylä Finland.

2017-2019 Taking part in the art project of Keskussairaala Nova

2021 Video Commentary of Mänttä Art Festival

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qje1QQ60AhY>

2022-2023 A member of the organizer of Project Babel,  
International Printmaking Collaboration project

2024 Award jury member of 12th Polish Triennial in Katowice  
(Invited by the Academy of Fine Arts in Katowice)