Hosai Matsubayashi XVI

Biography

Born in 1980.

Lives & works in Uji, Kyoto Prefecture

He was born as the eldest son of Hosai Matsubayashi, the fifteenth generation potter of Asahi ware with 400 years of history. Under the tutelage of his father, he learned the art of pottery, and began his career as a ceramic artist at the age of 25.

He mainly produces tea ceremony utensils, and has held solo shows (exhibitions) throughout Japan. He has also presented his work overseas. He is also actively involved in activities to introduce Japanese tea culture to people overseas.

Based on the technique of traditional Asahi ware, he aims at the harmony of the ancient aesthetic sense of tea ceremony and modern sensibility. In addition to his own activities as an artist, he is also working on new projects as an asahibiyaki workshop, and participates in a project called "go-on" which aims to promote traditional crafts to the world. He collaborates with designers and produces new tea utensils.

Selected Exhibition

2020 Hosai Matsubayashi XVI & Trevor Shimizu, Nonaka-Hill, Los Angeles Solo Exhibition, Takashimaya Art Gallery in Nihonbashi, Tokyo

Collaborative exhibition of Kimono and Tea Bowl with Nishijin-ori Master Masataka Hosoo

2019 Tea ceremony exhibition at hotel koe with Shun Kawakami

Participation in the Hong Kong government-sponsored Succession Exhibition, Hong Kong

2018 Solo exhibition in Takashimaya Osaka, Yonago, Okayama and Yokohama Shokunin:Five Kyoto Artisans Look to the Future in Portland Japanese Garden

2017 Solo exhibition in Mitsukoshi Nihonbashi and Takashimaya Kyoto

2016 Succeeded the name of Hosai XVI

Princess Takamado presented her own calligraphy for Asahi seal to Hosai XVI

2015 Tea ceremony and small exhibition in Guimet Museum, Paris

Art in residence at St.Ives, England

2014 Solo exhibition in Takashimaya Kyoto

2010 Solo exhibition in Takashimaya Kyoto

2005 Start making own works in Asahiyaki

2003 Work in logistic company

Public collection

National Museum Cardiff

Education

2003 Doshisha University

Bachelor of Law, Department of Politics