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Shimabuku

Kobe, JP, 1969

Lives and Works in Berlin, DE

Education

- 1990 Graduated from Osaka College of Art, Osaka, JP
1992 Graduated from San Francisco Art Institute (B.A.), US
1997 Artist-in-residence program, ARCUS Project, JP
1998 Artist-in-residence program, Ateliers d'Artistes de la Ville de Marseille, with a grant from the French Government, FR
1999 Artist-in-residence program, Capacete Project, Rio de Janeiro, with a grant from Pola Art Foundation, BR
2002 Artist-in-residence program, Banff Center, Canada, with a grant from Shiseido, CAN
2004 Invited to Berlin por DAAD Berliner Künstlerprogramm, BE
2005/06 Guest Professor at HBK: Braunschweig School of Art, DE
2014/15 Guest Lecture at ZHdk: Zurich University of the Arts, CH

Solo exhibitions (selection)

- 2024 SHIMABUKU, Centro Botín, Santander, ES.
2023 Moon, Potato, Swan and Sounds, Galleria ZERO, Milano, IT
SHIMABUKU. Me, We, Museion, Bolzano, IT
2022 Instrumental, Wiels, Brussels, BE
2021 The 165-metre Mermaid and Other Stories, NMNM - Nouveau Musée National Monaco, Villa Paloma, Monaco, IT
2018 Take Off, Maison Rouge, Paris, FR
Pour les pieuvres, les singes et les Hommes, Centre d'art contemporain d'Ivry- le Cédric, Paris, FR
Bow to Bow, Amanda Wilkinson, London, UK
Eyes On: Shimabuku, Denver Art Museum, USA
2016 Bow Bow, Barbara Wien, Berlin, DE
The Animal Mirror, ISCP, New York, US
While I was also Listening To ..., La Criée - Centre d'Art Contemporain, Rennes, FR
Shimabuku, the National Museum of Art, Osaka, JP
2016 The Snow Monkeys of Texas, Freedman Fitzpatrick, Los Angeles, US
Cuban Samba, NoguerasBlanchard, Madrid, ES
2015 Shimabuku: Exchange a mobile phone for a stone tool, Wilkinson Gallery, London, UK
2014 When Sky Was Sea, Contemporary Art Gallery, Vancouver, CA

- Sea and Flowers, Barbara Wien, Berlin, DE
 City in the Sea, Air de Paris, Paris, FR
 Flying Me, Kunsthalle Bern, Berna, CH
- 2013 Something that Floats / Something that Sinks, Ikon Gallery, Birmingham, UK
 Shimabuku: Noto, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, JP
 Souvenir from Noto, Open Work, Stockholm, CH (curated by Stefanie Hessler and Carsten Höller)
- 2012 Leaves Swim, NoguerasBlanchard, Barcelona, ES
- 2011 Shimabuku, Overbeck Gesellschaft, Lübeck, DE
 Man should try to avoid contact with alien life forms, Centre International d'Art et du Paysage de l'île de Vassivière, Vassivière, FR
 On the water, CAPC musée d'art contemporain de Bordeaux, Bordeaux, FR
 My Teacher Tortoise, Wilkinson Gallery, London, UK
- 2010 Kaki and Tomato, Air de Paris, Paris, FR
- 2009 New Works, The Watari Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, JP
- 2008 Shimabuku's Fish & Chips, Nogueras Blanchard, Barcelona, ES
 Album, The Street, Whitechapel Gallery, London, UK
 Sea, Sky, Language and so on, DAAD galerie, Berlin, DE
 New Works, Watari-Um, The Watari Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, JP
- 2007 Shimabuku's Fish & Chips, DAAD Galerie, Berlin, DE
 The Story So Far, Shugoarts, Tokyo, DE
 Shimabuku's Fish & Chips, Wilkinson Gallery, London, UK
- 2005 From high in the sky to the bottom of the sea, NoguerasBlanchard, Barcelona, ES
 Catching octopus with self-made ceramic pots, Air de Paris, Paris, FR
- 2004 Yoko on the Moon, Maejima Art Center/Yume-R, Okinawa, JP
 Born as a box, Wilkinson Gallery, London, UK
- 2003 Watching the River Flow, Shugoarts, Tokyo, JP
 Swansea Jack Memorial Dog Swimming Competition, Glynn Vivian Art Gallery, Swansea, UK (artist book)
- 2002 Then, I decided to give a tour of Tokyo to the octopus from Akashi, Gallery Yvon Lambert, Paris; Ikon Gallery, Birmingham, UK
 Frog's Sky, Galerie der Stadt Schwaz, AUT
- 2001 The Octopus Returns, Kobe Art Village Center / Suma Rikyu Park, Kobe, JP (artist book)
 Passing through the rubber band, Air de Paris, Paris, FR
- 1999 I'm traveling with 165-metre mermaid, DAZIBAO, Montreal, CA (artist book)
 Christmas in the Southern Hemisphere, Air de Paris, Paris, JP
- 1998 In Search of Deer, Ota Fine Arts, Tokyo, JP
- 1996 Shimabukuro-Shimafukurou, Ota Fine Arts, Tokyo, JP
- 1994 America, Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, Hiroshima, JP
- 1993 Konnichiwa, Nagoya City Art Museum, Nagoya, JP

Group exhibitions (selection)

- 2023 In the air, the flying machines, Hangar Y, Paris, FR
Thailand Biennale Chiang Rai 2023: The Open World, Chiang Rai, Thailand, TH
- 2021 The imaginary Sea, Fondation Carmignag, Paris, FR
- 2020 Amuse-bouche. The Taste of Art, Museum Tinguely, Basel, CH
gerlach en koop. What do you do at two? I sleep, GAK Gesellschaft für Aktuelle Kunst, Bremen, Germany, GER
Octopus Encounters: An Immersive Library of Octopus Aesthetics, Glasmoog – Raum für Kunst und Diskurs, Cologne, Germany, GER
- 2019 Narcisse ou la floraison des mondes, Frac Nouvelle-Aquitaine MÉCA, Bourdeaux, FR
Magic Lantern Film Festival: Rassegna Blue-Plate. Food | Art | Activism, MAXXI, Roma, IT
Sur les ailes du désir, Le 19 Crac, Montbéliard, FR
Playmode, MAAT, Lisbon, PT
Sensing Nature from Within, Moderna Museet, Malmö, SE
The Sorcerer's Burden: Contemporary Art and the Anthropological Turn, The Contemporary Austin, Austin, US
Reborn Art Festival, Touhoku Oshika, Miyagi, JP
Creatures: When Species Meet, Cincinnati Contemporary Arts Center, Cincinnati, EUA
5th Ural Industrial Biennial of Contemporary Art – Immortality, Ural Branch of the National Center for Contemporary Arts, Ekaterinburg, RU
Large against the Sky, Manif d'art - The Quebec City Biennial, Quebec, CN
- 2018 Take Off, Maison Rouge, Paris, FR
The Show Must Go On, Kunst Museum Bern, Switzerland
ALLE. Künstlerinnen und Künstler in der Overbeck- Gesellschaft, Lübeck, DE
In Tune to the World, Fondation Louis Vuitton, Paris, FR
Kodomo No Kuni - Enfance et aires de jeux au Japon, L'Onde Théâtre, Vélizy-Villacoublay, FR
Animals&Us, Turner Contemporary, Margate, UK
L'Envol, La Maison Rouge, Paris, FR
Der grosse Anspruch des kleinen Bildes, Galerie Barbara Wien, Berlin, DE
Aquaria, daadgalerie, Berlin, DE
FLOATING WORDLS, 14 th La Biennale de Lyon, FR
The BFG, Kaufmann Repetto, New York, USA
The Luennial II: A Low-Hanging Fruit, Lulu, Mexico City, MX
- 2017 AQUA: ART for the world, Ile Rousseau, and Chateau de Penthes, Ginebra, CH
VIVA ARTE VIVA, 57th International Art Exhibition, La biennale di Venezia, IT
Mondes Flottants, 14 Biennale d'art contemporain, Lyon, FR
Futures, CAC Contemporaru Art Center, Vilnius, LT
Horizon: Against Nature, OED Gallery, Kochi, IN
Offshore: artista explore the sea, Ferns Art Gallery & Hull Maritime Museum, Hull, UK
57th International Art Exhibition Venice Biennial, Venecia, IT
Shima, Simon, Zin and Virginie, La Crie Centre for Contemporary Arte, Rennes, FR
A Landscape, Wikinson, Londres, UK
When Sky Was Sea, Lyon Biennale, Lyon, FR
The Castle of Crossed Destinies, 11 Columbia, Monaco, MC
The Show Must Go On, Kunst Museum Bern, Berna, CH
- 2016 FOOD—Ecologies of the Everyday, 13th Triennial of Small-Scale Sculpture, Fellbach, DE
Development, Okayama Art Summit 2016, Okayama, JP (curated by Liam Gillick),
Ecce Homo, The National Museum of Art, Osaka, JP
Echo of untouched matter, Lothringer 13, Munich, DE
- 2015 Mountains with a broken edge, Bienal de La Habana, La Habana, CU

- The Way Things Go, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, US (curated by Rirkrit Tiravanija)
 Äppärät, The Ballroom Marfa, Texas, US
 Take Me To The River, Dojima River Biennale, Osaka, JP
 Contemporary Still-Lives, Antinori Art Project, Florence, IT
 #catcontent, Kunstpalais, Erlangen, DE
 A Climate Fictionalism, Hong-Gah Museum, Taipei, TW
 Imagineering, Okayama Art Project, Okayama, JP
- 2014 Kunisaki Art Festival, Bungotakada-shi, Oita, JP
 Supple Expansions, Freedman Fitzpatrick, Los Angeles, US
 Taipei Biennial 'The Great Acceleration', Taipei Fine Arts Museum, Taipei, TW (curated by Nicolas Bourriaud)
 City and Nature, Sapporo International Art Festival 2014, Sapporo, JP
 Une histoire, art, architecture et design, des années 80 à aujourd'hui, Centre Pompidou, Paris, FR
 Manners of Matter, Salzburger Kunstverein, Salzburg, AUT (curated by Chris Sharp)
 Will Happiness Find Me?, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo, JP
 Underwater Worlds, Museum Kunst der Westküste, Föhr, DE
- 2013 Aquatopia, Tate St. Ives, St. Ives, UK
 Aquatopia: The Imaginary of the Ocean Deep, Nottingham Contemporary, Nottingham, UK
 Re:emerge. Towards a New Cultural Cartography Sharjah Biennial 11, Sharjah, UAE
 How to write 1, Wien Lukatsch, Berlin, DE
 On this planet, The Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum Collection, Vangi Sculpture Garden Museum, Shizuoka, JP
 Le Pont, Musée d'Art contemporain de Marseille, Marseille, FR
- 2012 Mount Fuji does not exist, Frac Ile-de-France / Le Plateau, Paris (curated by Elodie Royer and Yoann Gourmel)
 FOOD, Musée Ariana, Ginebra, CH
- 2011 Impossible Community, Moscow Museum of Modern Art, Moscow, RU
 Our Magic Hour. How much of the world can we know?, Yokohama Triennale 2011, Yokohama, JP
 Somewhere Else, NoguerasBlanchard, Barcelona, ES (Curated by Direlia Lazo)
 Kaza Ana / Air Hole: Another Conceptualism from Asia, The National Museum of Art, Osaka, JP
- 2010 Arts and Cities, Aichi Triennale, Nagoya City Art Museum, Nagoya, JP
 Still Vast Reserves, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne, AUS (cat.)
 Extra Ordinary, Grundy Art Gallery, Blackpool, UK
 Eating the Universe. Food in Art, Galerie im Taxipalais, Innsbruck, AUT (cat.)
 Negotiation,- Today's Documents 2010, Today Art Museum, Beijing, CN
 NEANDERTHALIAN NIGHTS: The world is not at home, galleria ZERO, Milan, IT
- 2009 Eating the Universe. Food in Art, Kunsthalle Düsseldorf, DE (cat.)
 LINK- Flexible Derivation, KOBE Biennale 2009, Kobe, JP (cat.)
 Void of Memory, Platform, KIMUSA, Seoul, KR
 Hundred Stories About Love, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, JP
 Mash Up, ARTSPACE, Auckland, NZL
 The Grand Illusion, National Chang Kai Shek Cultural Centre, Taipei, JP
- 2008 Experimenta FOLKLORE, Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, DE
 Between Art and Life, Centre d'Art Contemporain Genève, Ginebra, CH
 Florescendo: Brasil – Japao O seu lugar, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Toyota, JP
 Survival Action – Focusing on New Acquisitions, Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo (MOT), Tokyo, JP

- All Our Everyday, Gallery VER, Bangkok, TH (cat.)
 Laughing in a foreign language, Hayward Gallery, London, UK
- 2007 Beautiful New World: Contemporary Visual Culture from Japan, Guangdong Museum of Art, Guangdong / Long March Project, Beijing, JP (cat.)
 Tracks of Okinawan Culture 1872-2007, Okinawa Prefectural Art Museum, Okinawa, JP
 Tomorrow, Artsonje Center + Kumho Museum of Art, Seoul, KR
 Oriente e trópico, Instituto Cultural Usiminas, Ipatinga, Brazil / Palácio das Artes, Belo Horizonte, BRA
 How to live together, MAC: Museo de Arte Contemporáneo, Santiago de Chile, CHI
 The Door into Summer: The Age of Micropop, Art Tower Mito, Ibaraki, JP
- 2006 How to live together, 27th Bienal de Sao Paulo, BR
 International 06, Liverpool Biennial, Liverpool, UK (cat.)
 Empieza el juego, La Casa Encendida, Madrid, ES (cat.)
 ANSTOSS BERLIN, Haus am Waldsee, Berlin, DE
 Berlin-Tokyo Tokyo-Berlin, Neue Nationalgalerie, Berlin, DE (cat.)
 I love art 8, Watari-Um, The Watari Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, JP
- 2005 Circa Berlin, NIKOLAJ, Copenhagen Contemporary Art Center, Copenhagen, DEN (artist book)
 Le invasioni barnariche, Galleria Continua, San Gimignano, IT
- 2004 MixMax, Artsonje Center, Seoul, KR (cat.)
 Expat -Art Centre, ICA, London – Musee de Art Contemporain de Lyon, Lyon, FR
 Utopia Station, Haus der Kunst, Munich, DE
 Video Dictionary, La Casa Encendida, Madrid, ES
 Intersection of 4 criticism, Tama Art University Museum, Tokyo, JP
- 2003 Time After Time, Yerba Buena Center for the Arts, San Francisco, US
 25 Hrs, International Video Art Show, Barcelona, ES (cat.)
 Utopia Station, 50th Venezia Biennale, Venice, IT (cat.)
 SPREAD IN PRATO 2, Prato, IT (cat.)
 U-Topos, Tirana Biennale 2, Tirana, AL (cat.)
 Biennale of Ceramics in Contemporary Art 2nd edition, Riviera Ligure, IT (cat.)
- 2002 C'est pas du cinema!, Le Fresnoy- Studio National des Arts Contemporain, Tourcoing, FR (cat.)
 Art in the home, Edinburgh, UK
 Radiodumb, Zero Arte Contemporanea, Milan, IT
 La part de l'autre, Carre d'Art, Nimes (cat.)
 Upstream, Amsterdam/Hoorn, NL (cat.)
 Busan Biennale, Busan, KR
- 2001 Encounter, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo, JP (cat.)
 Encounter, Tokyo Opera City Art Gallery, Tokyo, JP (cat.) Museum of Art, Kitakyushu, JP (cat.)
 Ikiro-be alive, Kröller-Müller Museum, Otterlo, NL (cat.)
 Traveller's Tale (proyecto web), Iniva (Institute of International Visual Arts), London, UK
 Mega Wave, Yokohama 2001:International Triennale of Contemporary Art, Yokohama, JP (cat.)
 Facts of Life, Hayward Gallery, London, UK (cat.)
 Rendez-Vous No.3, Collection Lambert, Avignon, FR
- 2000 Elysian Fields, Centre Georges Pompidou, FR (cat.)
 COUNTER-PHOTOGRAPHY, Moscú, RU (international touring exhibition) (cat.)
 As it is, Ikon Gallery, Birmingham, UK (cat.)
 Transformer, Raum aktueller Kunst Martin Janda, Vienna, AT
 do it digital (web project), Kassel, DE

Gift of Hope, Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, JP (cat.)

- 1999 And / Or, Grazer Kunstverein, Graz, AT
Space, Witte de With, Rotterdam, NL
Ivresse, Ateliers d'Artistes de la Ville de Marseille, FR
Extra et Ordinaire, Printemps de Cahors, FR (cat.)
Empty Garden, Watari-Um, the Watari Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, JP (artist book)
- 1998 Every day, 11th Biennale of Sydney, Sydney, AUS, (cat.)
Memorealism, Museum City Fukuoka, Fukuoka, JP (cat.)
La Table, Air de Paris, FR
Donaiyanen!, Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts, Paris, FR (cat.)
- 1996 Displacement-31st Today's Artist, Yokohama Citizens' Gallery, Yokohama, JP (cat)
Public Art Project - Sound Art, Iwakura, Aichi, JP
Survival Tool, Sakura City Museum of Art, Chiba, JP (cat.)
The Stream from the South, Kaseda, Kagoshima, JP
Place for Survival, Kurumi Kindergarten, Shizuoka, JP
- 1995 Rolywholyover a Circus John Cage, Art Tower Mito, Mito, JP (cat.)
From Duchamp to Duchamp, Kita Kanto Museum Of Fine Arts, Gunma, JP

Grants and awards

- 2019 This is not a prize, Mutina, IT
- 2005/06 Guest Professor at Braunschweig School of Art, Braunschweig, DE
- 2004 DAAD kunstler program, Berlin, DE
- 2002 Shiseido Grant, Banff Center, CA
- 1999 Pola Art Foundation Grant, Capacete Project, Rio de Janeiro, BR
- 1998 Ateliers d'Artistes de la Ville de Marseille, FR
- 1997 Japan Foundation Grant, ARCUS, JP

Collections

21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, JP
Centre Pompidou, Paris, FR
Nouveau Musée National de Monaco, MC
Frac Ile-de-France, Paris, FR
Frac Corse, Corse, FR
Kunsthalle Bern, Bern, CH
The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, US
The National Museum of Art, Osaka, JP
Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, JP

Selected articles

S. Sherwin, "Artist of the week", The Guardian (6 May 2012)
 Á. Molina, "El pal i la pastanaga", EL PAIS (15 May 2008)
 P. Capdevila, "Shimabuku", Lápiz, Revista Internacional de Arte, Núm. 243, p. 97
 N. Miró, "D'allò extraordinari en allò quotidian", Revista Benzina, Núm. 27, p. 79 (May 2008)
 J. Hurtado, "Shimabuku's Fish & Chips", Time out Barcelona, p. 34 (May 2008)
 V. Porcel, "Un pulpo y una cometa", Culturas La Vanguardia, p. 19 (21 de December, 2005)
 N. Miró, "Shimabuku, Exit Express", N°16 (December/January, 2005/2006)
 Á. Molina, "Entre el naïf i la morbositat", EL PAIS, Quadern 7 (17 November, 2005)
 C. Barachon, "Mon amie la pieuvre", Technikart, N°89, p. 107 (February, 2005)
 T. Morton, "Shimabuku", Frieze, N°86, pp. 164-165, (October, 2004)
 E. Troncy, "Artiste sans frontières", N°42, pp. 238-241 (April, 2003)
 E. Fleiss, "Trains and Boats and Planes (Entrevista)", Purple, N°12, pp. 136-143 (summer 2002)
 D. McLaren, "Artists on the Move", Contemporary, pp. 56-61 (June/July/Agust, 2002)
 E. Troncy, Beaux Arts Magazine, N°188, p. 88 (January, 2000)
 D. McLaren, "Five go boating on the Union Canal", The Independent, p. 4 (23 de July, 2000)
 D. Miyatsu, "Shimabuku", Art Asiapacific, N°21, p. 93 (1999)
 G.D-M., "L'art moderne ne tient qu'à un fil...", Marseille Actualité, 1999 (8 de May)
 E. Lequeux, "Comment Shimabuku Captura une Sirène", Aden N°79, p. 242 (8 de June, 1999)
 C. Joschke, "Shimabuku", Les Inrockuptibles, N°203, p. 10 (16 de June, 1999)
 J-M.F., "Shimabuku au 'Printemps de Cahors' Le poulpe, l'ours et le chien...", La Dépêche Grand Sud (25 de June, 1999)
 M.M., "06 low mix: Michihiro Shimabuku", Crash, N°08, p. 12 (summer, 1999)
 "Shimabuku, Je voyage avec une sirène de 165 mètres de long", BLOC NOTES, N°17, p. 60 (fall, 1999)
 P. Beausse, "Shimabuku", Flash Art, N°208, p. 121 (October, 1999)

Monografía

Opening the Door, Little More, Tokyo, 2010
 Cucumber Journey (children's book), Shogakukan, Japan, 2004
 Swansea Jack Memorial Dog Swimming Competition, Glynn Vivian Art Gallery, Swansea, U.K., 2003
 SHIMABUKU 2001, Kobe Art Village Center, Japan, 2001
 In Search of Deer, 2000
 With Birds at Dawn On Sundays, Tokyo, 1999

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 Still Vast Reserves, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, Melbourne, Australia, 2010
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 D. Kermode, Shimabuku, As It Is, Ikon Gallery, Birmingham, 2000, pp. 98-99
 Shimabuku, Continuing research for 'Mountains and valleys never meet, but people do', From #1, Witte de With, 1999, p. 84
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Lani Maestro/Shimabuku), Dazibao, Montreal, 1999

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1998, p. 200

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Japonaise, Mézil, Éric, Shimabuku, Donai yanen! Et maintenant!, École nationale
supérieure des beaux-arts, Paris, 1998, pp. 25-30, 31-36, 276-277, 280

I'm traveling with a 165-metre mermaid, Museum City Project, 1998