

## **“Asian Art Award 2017 Supported by Warehouse TERRADA,” Nomination of Five Finalists**

**–An award for supporting young artists sponsored by Warehouse TERRADA–**

Warehouse TERRADA (Shinagawa, Tokyo / CEO: Yoshihisa Nakano) is pleased to announce that we are a special-sponsor for “Asian Art Award 2017 supported by Warehouse TERRADA,” hosted by Art Tokyo Association (Minato, Tokyo / Representative Director: Naohiko Kishi), and the five finalists are nominated today.



“Asian Art Award supported by Warehouse TERRADA” is established to support young artists to be more active from Asia to the world. Asian Art Award started in 2017, and the finalists selection jury is consisted of five young curators with global views through discussion of contemporary art to select five artists as finalists. In the fall 2017, new artworks by these finalists will be exhibited at a Warehouse TERRADA art space, and the winner will be announced after examined by seven judges based in Singapore, China, and Japan. The winner will be awarded with prize, a temporary studio space for making new work, an opportunity to have solo exhibition both in Singapore and at ART FAIR TOKYO 2018 next spring.

### [Finalists]

Akihiko Taniguchi (born 1983 in Saitama, living in Saitama)

Tomona Matsukawa (born Aichi in 1987, living in Osaka)

Takayuki Yamamoto (born Aichi in 1974, living in Aichi)

Chikako Yamashiro (born Okinawa in 1976, living in Okinawa)

contact Gonzo (formed in 2006, Osaka)

\*Please see the website (<http://asianartaward.com/en/>) for details.

Based in Tennoz, Warehouse TERRADA takes full advantage of our expertise in the use of space as we pursue technical improvements in storage and restoration. Those efforts have gained us a strong reputation both in Japan and abroad in the field of storage technology for highly specialized products, including artwork, wine and media. In recent years, Warehouse TERRADA has focused particularly on a wide-ranging, proactive effort to expand our art-related business, based on the TERRADA ART VILLAGE concept under which we hopes to make Tennoz a focal point for bringing together, showcasing and disseminating art. It is a part of our art related business to participate “Asian Art Award supported by Warehouse TERRADA” as a special-sponsor, and our goal is to support this award into an art hub to the world. The launch event of this award will be held on March 18th (Sat.) at ART FAIR TOKYO 2017, and the following announcements will be updated on the award website.

### **[Overview of Asian Art Award 2017 supported by Warehouse TERRADA]**

URL: <http://asianartaward.com/en/>

Organizer: Art Tokyo Association

Special Sponsor: Warehouse TERRADA

Sponsor: Helutrans-Terrada Co., Ltd.

Supported by: Agency of Cultural Affairs

Prizes:

Grand Prize: 1,000,000 JPY

winning art work exhibited in Singapore and Tokyo, and art studio space rental for 6-12 months)

(TBD)

Special Award: Art studio space rental for 6-12 months) (TBD)

Exhibition Venues (TBD): Art Space at Warehouse TERRADA (Tokyo) \*Finalists (5 artists)

Gallery space at Helu-Trans (S) Pte. Ltd. (Singapore) : Grand Prize Winner (1 artist)

ART FAIR TOKYO 2018 (Tokyo): Grand Prize Winner (1 artist)

Features of the award:

A selection jury of five young curators in their thirties and forties will debate which art best expresses the dilemmas of contemporary society, and select five finalists from 25 nominees. Based on different values and complicated and mixed point of views in Asia, the concept of the award is able to deliberate flexible content. Through a discussion between emerging art scene leaders and curators that examines the complicated nature of Asia in a multifaceted way, the concept aims to respond in live time.

Finalist Selection Jury

Keisuke Ozawa    Director, Asian Art Award / Curator

Katsura Kunieda Curator, Marugame Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art

Sachiko Shoji Curator, Fukuoka Art Museum

Hiroyuki Hattori Curator, Aichi Triennale 2016

Junya Yamamine Curator, Contemporary Art Center, Art Tower Mito

#### Grand Prize Selection Jury

Yuji Akimoto Director, The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts

Yuko Hasegawa Artistic Director, Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa

Yoko Hayashi Senior Specialist for Art and Culture, Agency for Cultural Affairs

Joyce Toh Curatorial Co-Head, Singapore Art Museum

You Yang Vice Director, Ullens Center for Contemporary Art

Ryutaro Takahashi Psychiatrist / Art collector

Daisuke Miyatsu Art collector / Visiting Professor, Kyoto University of Art and Design

#### Special Jury Member

Kengo Kuma Architect / Professor, University of Tokyo

#### [Overview of TERRADA ART VILLAGE]

TERRADA ART VILLAGE is an initiative by Warehouse TERRADA aimed at making Tennoz a focal point for bringing together, showcasing and disseminating art. It incorporates the individual components listed below.

- **Artwork Storage:** A warehouse fully equipped to store artworks under optimal conditions, including a bonded warehouse, a fumigation facility, and a “seasoning” room to allow for acclimation of artworks.
- **T-ART GALLERY:** A multipurpose space within the warehouse that can be used to display artworks and others.
- **Asian Art Award supported by Warehouse TERRADA:** This art award focuses not only on discovering emerging artists, but on providing continued support for their creative endeavors.
- **TAC ART STUDIO:** A rental studio space for artists.
- **PIGMENT:** A traditional art supply lab offering highly rare materials as well as materials for use in restoration of past artworks.
- **ARCHI-DEPOT Museum:** A museum based on the unique concept of combining exhibition and storage of architectural models. It also offers architectural models for rental to other countries and hosts architectural conventions with numerous famous architects.
- **BUCKLE KOBO:** This renovated former ironworks in Keihinjima, in Tokyo’s Ota Ward, offers an open-access creative studio.
- **HELUTRANS-TERRADA:** A full art supporting partnership that offers one-stop artwork services, including packing, transport, and display.
- **TERRADA ART COMPLEX:** A multi-function arts facility housing galleries, the TAC ART STUDIO and other functions.
- **Yokohama College of Arts & Design:** The Warehouse TERRADA Collaborative Course in Artwork Restoration is supported by TERRADA with the goal of educating future professionals in art restoration and preservation.

- **Architecture Model Workshop:** A facility specifically designed for creating architectural models and selling related products.

**[About Warehouse TERRADA]**

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