

SHOZO MICHIKAWA (Japanese, b. 1953) *Kohiki* White slip case with clear glaze 23.2 H x 8.3" W

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Shozo Michikawa is a ceramic artist based in Seto, Japan where he has maintained a studio since 1975. Michikawa creates expressionist gestural sculptures inspired by nature and steeped in centuries-old ceramic technique. Beginning with traditional wheel-thrown vessels, Michikawa pushes these forms to the brink, scratching and scoring the surface and twisting the structure along an invisible central axis. The resultant works are quietly powerful sculpture with subtle traces of functionality.

Shozo Michikawa has exhibited widely in Japan, Europe and America. His work is included in many important public and private collections.

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EDUCATION

1971-1975 Aoyama Gakuin University

SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

2019	"Power of passion," GALERIE hu, Nagoya, Aichi, Japan
	"40th Anniversary Exhibition,Shozo Michikawa," Sokyo Gallery, Kyoto, Japan
2018	"40ans Shozo Michikawa," Mizen Fine Art International, Paris, France
	"40th anniversary Exhibition," Galerie Friedrich Muller, Frankfurt, Germany
	"40th anniversary Exhibition," Officine Saffi, Milan, Italy
2017	"40years 40pots," Erskin, Hall&Coe, London, UK
	"Shozo Michikawa," Lacoste Gallery, Concord, USA
	"Nature into Art," Silverlens Gallery, Manila, Philippines
2016	"Shozo Michikawa," Centro Cultural Las Condes, Santiago, Chile
	"Shozo Michikawa"Galerie Friedrich Muller
	"Nature into Art," Di Legno Gallery, Singapore
	"NATURE INTO ART," Seto Ceramics and Glass Art Center, Seto, Japan
	"Shozo Michikawa," Museo Carlo Zauli, Faenza, Italy
2015	"The Forbidden City," Erskin, Hall&Coe, London, UK
	"Ballades en Terres," Mizen Fine Art, Paris, France
	"Shozo Michikawa," Puls Contemporary Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
2014	"Shozo Michikawa,"Galerie Friendrich Muller, Frankfurt,Germany
	"Shozo Michikawa," Helene Aziza, Paris, France
	"Nature into Art," Galerie hu, Nagoya, Japan
2013	"Shozo Michikawa," Erskine, Hall&Coe, London, UK
	"Shozo Michikawa," Peter Kummermann, Geneva, Switzerland
	"Shozo Michikawa" Nihonbashi MITUKOSHI Art Gallery,Tokyo, Japan
2012	"Nature into Art," MATERIA, Quebec,Canada
	"Shozo Michikawa," Galerie Helene Poree, Paris, France
2011	"Shozo Michikawa," Erskine, Hall&Coe, London, UK
	"The Nature of Clay," Cavin- Morris Gallery, New York City, USA
	"Shozo Michikawa," Puls Contemporary Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
	"Shozo Michikawa," Terra Rossa, Leipzig, Germany
	"Nature into Art," Galerie hu, Nagoya, Japan
2009	"Nature into Art," Galerie Besson, London, UK
	"Shozo Michikawa," Art Gallery Oyama, Osaka, Japan



- 2008 "Shozo Michikawa," Clara Scremini Gallery, Paris, France "Shozo Michikawa," Gallerie hu, Nagoya, Japan
 2007 "30 years 30 pots," Galerie Besson, London, UK "30 years 30 pots," IZUKAN GALLERY, Manila, Philippines "Shozo Michikawa," Gallery Tokyo Eizo, Tokyo, Japan
- 2006 "Shozo Michikawa," Puls Contemporary Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
- 2005 "Shozo Michikawa," Blue Spiral Gallery, Asheville, USA "Returning to Nature's Simplicity and Truth," Shandong Museum, Shandong, China "Returning to Nature's Simplicity and Truth," Forbidden City, Beijing, China "Shozo Michikawa," Wa-noi, Shizuoka,Japan "Shozo Michikawa," IZUKAN GALLERY, Manila, Philippines
- 2004 "Shozo Michikawa," Galerie Besson, London, UK
- 2003 "Shozo Michikawa," IZUKAN GALLERY, Manila, Philippines "Shozo Michikawa," Matsuzakaya Department Store Gallery, Shizuoka, Japan "Shozo Michikawa" TOBU Department Store Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 2001 "Shozo Michikawa," UlaanBaatar Art Gallery, UlaanBaatar, Mongolia "Shozo Michikawa," TOBU Department Store Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 2000 "Shozo Michikawa," TOBU Department Store Gallery, Tokyo, Japan "Shozo Michikawa," Mitsukoshi Department Store Gallery, Kurashiki, Japan
- 1997 "Shozo Michikawa," Hiraya Gallery, Manila, Philippines "Shozo Michikawa," Tokyo Department Store Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 1996 "Shozo Michikawa," Hiraya Gallery, Manila, Philippines
- 1995 "Shozo Michikawa," Hankyu Department Store Gallery, Osaka, Japan

SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

- 2019 Manpower,Shozo Michikawa and Hans Vangso,A PETERSEN Collegtion&Craft,Copenhagen Design Miami / Pierre Marie Giraud, Miami, USA Design Basel / Pierre Marie Giraud, Basel, Switzerland TEFAF / Pierre Marie Giraud, Maastricht, the Netherlands Art Fair Tokyo / Sokyo gallery,Tokyo Japan
- 2018 "60th edition of the Faenza prize," Faenza, Italy
 "About a Vase," Museo Montelupo, Montelupo, Italy
 "NIHON NOW," Galerie Du Don, Le Fel, France
 "Modern Masters," Munich, Germany
 "Masterpieces 400 Years of Japanese Ceramics," Hoganas, Sweden
- 2017 Design Basel / Pierre Marie Giraud, Basel, Switzerland Art Fair Philippines, Silverlens Gallery, Manila, Philippines "Love and Violence", Mizen Fine Arts, Padova, Italy

"Contemporary Japanese Ceramics," Officine Saffi, Milan, Italy 2016 Singapore Contemporary Art show, Di Legno, Singapore "International Ceramics," Shimada City Museum, Shimada, Japan 2015 "International Ceramics," Erskin, Hall &Coe, London, UK 2014 "Art Ceram," Sèvres, France Japanese Ceramics, Erskine Hall & Coe, London, UK The Tea Bowl Show, The Oxford Ceramics Gallery, Oxford, UK ICC Delhi 2014 Art Fair, Delhi, India 2012 International Trade Fair, Modern Masters, Munich, Germany "The World in a Cup," NCECA, Seattle, USA SOFA, New York, USA COLLECT, London, UK Han Hyang Lim Onggi Museum, Korea 2011 "Pots from Seven Countries," Galerie Besson, London, UK Art of Pacific Asia show, New York, USA SOFA, New York, USA 2010 COLLECT, London, UK "Pots & Paper," Museum Ludwig, Cologne, Germany Summer Exhibition, Galerie Besson, London, UK Keramicos Collection, Harlem, The Netherlands 2009 "The Art of Japanese Craft 1870 to the Present," Philadelphia Museum of Art, Pennsylvania, USA "Soft Beauty of Traditional Shinos," Concord University, West Virginia, USA SOFA Chicago, USA 2008 "A Japanese Dialogue," The Scottish Gallery, Edinburgh, UK Tutor Exhibition, Sussex Barn Gallery, Chichester, UK "The Great North Art Show," Ripon, UK "Twenty Years, Twenty Pots," Galerie Besson, London, UK International Ceramics, Giroussens, France SOFA New York, USA 2006 Japanese Crafts, Galerie Besson, London, UK 2005 Ceramica Mosaico, Ravenna, Italy Summer Exhibition, Galerie Besson, London, UK The Signature Shop & Gallery, Atlanta, Georgia, USA 2004 Maiden Bridge Exhibition, Maiden Bridge Farm, Lancaster, UK "Japanese Ceramics," Galerie Besson, London, UK SOFA, Chicago, USA 2003 Summer Exhibition, Galerie Besson, London, UK 2002 Accompaniments of Tea, Daiichi Gallery, New York, USA Gallery Pots, Galerie Besson, London, UK 1999 1996 "101 Pitcher Exhibition," Terres de Provence, Paris, France

SELECTED COLLECTIONS

Victoria and Albert Museum, London, UK Musee Cernuschi, Paris, France International Museum of Ceramic in Faenza, Italy Crocker Art Museum Sacramento, CA, USA Worcester Art Museum, MA, USA Ashmolean Museum of Art, Oxford, UK Museo Carlo Zauli, Faenza, Italy National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, UK The Museum in Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany Shimada City Museum, Japan Modern Glass & Ceramic Museum of Coburg, Germany Los Angels County Museum of Art, CA, USA National Museum of Wales, Cardiff, UK University of Wales, Aberystwyth, UK Philadelphia Museum of Art, PA, USA China-Japan Exchange Center, Beijing, China Qinglingsi, Temple, Xi'an, China

SELECTED AWARDS

- 2019 LOEWE Craft Prize 2019, Finalist, LOEWE FOUNDATION, Madrid, Spain
- 2018 International Craft Fair, Gold medal, Munich, Germany
- 2005 CERAM ICAM OSAICO, Grand Prix, Ravenna, Italy
- 1991 "Shinpei Asai Prize," Design Forum in Seto, Japan

SELECTED BIBLIPGRAPHY

- 2017 Henry Verreet: "Terr Art," Spain
- 2016 Matteo Zauli: "La CERAMICA," Italy Ruth Krauskopf: "ESTEKA," Chile Sophie Cavaliero: "Ceramigues Japonaises Contemporaines," France
- 2015 Flaminio Gualdoni: "LA CERAMICA," Italy
- 2014 Tony Birks: "Ceramics Art and Perception," Issue 96, USA
- 2013 Pascale Nobecourt: "Ceramique et du Verre," Jan/Feb, France
- 2012 Dr. IChi Hsu: "DAO CLAYFORM," #2, China Michael C. Stewart: "Ceramics Art and Perception," Mar/Apr, UK
- 2011 Sally Schone: "New Ceramics," Mar/Apr, Germany
- 2010 Keramikos: "Keramiek," #3, the Netherlands
- 2009 Simon Martin: "Ceramic Review," July/Aug, UK Robert Piepenburg: "The SPIRIT of Ceramic DESIGN," USA
- 2008 Angelique Escandell:"Ceramique et du Verre," May/June, France Felice Fischer:"The Art of Japanese Craft," Philadelphia Museum of Art, USA Michael C. Stewart:"Ceramics Art and Perception," Issue 71, USA