

## **Wakako Sato**

**Lives in:** Kumamoto City, Japan

### **Education**

- 2006 – Graduate, Graduate School of Art, Sojo University

### **Awards**

- 2024 – Member's Award, 11th Nitten Exhibition (Japanese Painting Division, First Department)
- 2022 – Encouragement Award, 14th Kobai Art Award
- 2014 – Selected, 45th Nitten Exhibition
- 2014 – Special Selection, Newly Reorganized First Nitten Exhibition
- 2013 – Kumamoto Prefectural Cultural Association New Artist Award
- 2012 – Special Selection, 44th Nitten Exhibition
- 2004 – Prefectural Cultural Association Award, Kumamoto Prefectural Art Association Exhibition (59th)
- 2003 – Prefectural Art Grand Prize, Kumamoto Prefectural Art Association Exhibition (58th)

### **Solo Exhibitions**

- 2017 – *Natural History of the Night* (Sojo University Gallery)
- 2017 – *Drops of Myth* (Tsunagi Museum of Art)
- 2015 – *Cat Exhibition* (Gallery Jiro, Nagasaki)

### **Group & Special Exhibitions**

- 2025 – *Tsunagari Exhibition* (Gallery Field, Tokyo)
- 2024 – *Japanese Painting Sora Mitsu* (Kyoto / Osaka / Nihonbashi Takashimaya)
- 2023 – *Japanese Painting Hot Now – Pioneering Neo-Japonism Artists*, Hakata Hankyu
- 2023 – Higo Bank Collection Exhibition (Higo no Satoyama Gallery, Kumamoto)
- 2022 – *Sparkle Stones – Current Japanese Painting*, JR Nagoya Takashimaya
- 2022 – *Kunpuu Sensu Exhibition* (Inukai Memorial Museum of Art, Kumamoto)

- 2021 – *From Art Students to Japanese Painters: KISEKI (20th Anniversary of Sojo University Faculty of Art)*, (Sojo Gallery)
- 2020–2021 – *SOJO ART Graduate Works Exhibitions* (Tsuruya Art Gallery, Kumamoto)
- 2019 – *SoDA Stories: Episode 19* (Kumamoto Prefectural Museum of Art)
- 2019 – *KISSYO: Contemporary Auspicious Painting Exhibition*, Osaka / Nihonbashi / Nagoya Takashimaya
- 2018 – *Dawn x Seisei: Bonds of the Japanese* (Eizo & Toichi Kato Memorial Museum, Gifu)
- 2017 – *Dawn x Seisei*, JR Nagoya Takashimaya, Aichi
- 2015 – *Aoki Shigeru “Seafood” Homage Exhibition* (Mizoe Art Gallery, Fukuoka)
- 2013 – *Eiten Exhibition – People and Manners* (Tagawa City Museum of Art, Fukuoka)
- 2012 – Heidelberg Sister City Art Exhibition (Germany)
- 2012 – *3rd SORA Exhibition*, (Kumamoto Prefectural Museum of Art Annex)
- 2011 – *SAAP – Next Generation Leaders Exhibition* (Sojo University Gallery)
- 2010 – *Seiryukai Exhibition Vol. 2*, (Sakamoto Zengo Museum of Art)
- 2009 – *11 Women Artists from Kumamoto*, (Gallery Takechi & Sojo University Gallery)
- 2009 – *Japanese Artists with Kyushu Ties* (Contemporary Art Museum Kumamoto)
- 2007 – *6th Fukuchiyama City Sato Taisei Award Open Art Exhibition*
- 2006 – Kyoto Exhibition
- 2006 – *Ars Kumamoto – The Power of Kumamoto Today* (Contemporary Art Museum Kumamoto)
- 2005 – 40th Nishunten Exhibition (selected)
- 2002 – 34th Nitten Exhibition (selected)

## Current Positions

- Professor, Faculty of Art, Sojo University
- Member, Nitten Exhibition
- Member, Shin Nishunten Exhibition
- Member, Kumamoto Prefectural Art Association
- Member, Kumamoto Prefectural Artists Federation
- Member, Kumamoto Prefectural Cultural Forum
- Instructor, NHK Culture “First Japanese Painting” Class