

Yoshitomo Nara

One-Artist Exhibitions

Dates

Born 1959, Hirosaki, Aomori, Japan

Lives and works in Tochigi, Japan

Education

1987, Graduate School of Aichi Prefectural University of Art, MA

1988–1993, Kunstakademie Düsseldorf, Germany

1993, Completed Meisterschuler from A.R. Penk

2023

Yoshitomo Nara: The Bootleg Drawings 1988 – 2023, Pace Gallery, Geneva, November 17, 2023–February 29, 2024.

Yoshitomo Nara: The Beginning Place, Aomori Museum of Art, Japan, October 14, 2023–February 25, 2024.

Yoshitomo Nara: Ceramic Works, Pace Gallery, Seoul, September 5–October 21, 2023.

Yoshitomo Nara: Woodcuts, 2010–2022, Pace Prints, New York, New York, June 15–August 3, 2023.

Yoshitomo Nara: All My Little Words, The Albertina Modern, Vienna, Austria, May 10–November 1, 2023. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Dog-o-rama, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Kanazawa, Japan, April 29–September 18, 2023.

Yoshitomo Nara: Traveling with Hazy Humid Day, Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts - Neiwei Arts Center, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, April 10–August 31, 2023.

Yoshitomo Nara: Reach Out to The Moon, Even If We Can't, The Art Gallery of Western Australia, Perth, Australia, February 25–June 25, 2023.

2022

Hello, How Can We Do a Nara Yoshitomo Show? Documents on Nara Yoshitomo's Hirosaki Exhibitions 2002-2006, Hirosaki Museum of Contemporary Art, Aomori, Japan, September 17, 2022–March 21, 2023

Yoshitomo Nara: Peace Head, Hanover Square, London, May 9–October 28, 2022.

Yoshitomo Nara, Yuz Museum, Shanghai, China, March 5–January 2, 2023.

2021

Yoshitomo Nara: Pinacoteca, Pace Gallery, London, November 26, 2021–January 15, 2022. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Not Everything But / Green House, Not Everything But / Orange House, Deji Art Museum, Nanjing, China, October 29, 2021–June 26, 2023.

Yoshitomo Nara, Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Los Angeles, April 1, 2021–January 2, 2022.
Traveled to: Yuz Museum, Shanghai, March 5–September 4, 2022. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: I Forgot Their Names and Often Can't Remember Their Faces but Remember Their Voices Well, Dallas Contemporary, Texas, March 20–August 22, 2021.

Yoshitomo Nara Special Exhibition, Kuandu Museum of Fine Arts, Taipei City, Taiwan, March 12–June 20, 2021. Traveled to: Kaohsiung Museum of Fine Arts, Kaohsiung, Taiwan, July 24–October 31, 2021; Tainan Art Museum, Tainan, Taiwan, November 16, 2021–February 13, 2022.

2020

Yoshitomo Nara: After all I'm cosmic dust, Pace Gallery, 68 Park Place, East Hampton, New York, July 3–19, 2020. Traveled to: Pace Gallery, 3rd Floor, 540 West 25th Street, New York, September 18–October 24, 2020.

2019

Yoshitomo Nara: Drawings – Last 31 Years, Château La Coste, Le Puy-Sainte-Réparate, France, August 23–November 22, 2019.

En/trance: Yoshitomo Nara, Japan Society, New York, February 26, 2019–February 6, 2020.

2018

Yoshitomo Nara, N's Yard, Nasushiobara City, Tochigi Prefecture, Japan, 2018.

Yoshitomo Nara: Puppy Love, Asian Art Museum, San Francisco, opened December 4, 2018.

Yoshitomo Nara: all things must pass, but nothing is lost/precious days around me, sometimes farther along, sometimes under my feet, Pace/MacGill Gallery, New York, October 25, 2018–January 12, 2019.

Yoshitomo Nara: Drawings 1988–2018, Last 30 Years, Kaikai Kiki Gallery, Tokyo, September 21–October 18, 2018. (Brochure)

Yoshitomo Nara: Sixteen springs and sixteen summers gone—Take your time, it won't be long now, Taka Ishii Gallery Photography / Film, Tokyo, July 7–August 10, 2018. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Ceramic Works and..., Pace Gallery, 12/F H Queen's, 80 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, March 27–May 12, 2018. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Drawings: 1988–2018, Last 30 Years, Kaikai Kiki Gallery, Tokyo, February 9–March 8, 2018.

2017

Yoshitomo Nara: Will the Circle Be Unbroken, Daikanyama Hillside Plaza, Tokyo, September 29–October 1, 2017. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: For Better or Worse: Works 1987–2017, Toyota Municipal Museum of Art, Aichi, July 15–September 24, 2017. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Thinker, Pace Gallery, 510 West 25th Street, New York, March 31–April 29, 2017. (Catalogue)

2016

Yoshitomo Nara: New Works, Stephen Friedman Gallery, London, April 28–June 1, 2016. (Catalogue)

2015

Yoshitomo Nara: Shallow Puddles, Blum & Poe, Tokyo, October 3–November 14, 2015. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara, Johnen Galerie, Berlin, September 18–October 24, 2015.

Yoshitomo Nara: “stars”, Pace Hong Kong, 15C Entertainment Building, 30 Queens Road Central, March 13–April 25, 2015. (Catalogue)

Life is Only One: Yoshitomo Nara, Asia Society, Hong Kong, March 6–July 26, 2015.

2014

Yoshitomo Nara: Greetings from a Place in My Heart, Dairy Art Centre, London, October 3–December 14, 2014.

Yoshitomo Nara, Blum & Poe, Los Angeles, March 1–April 12, 2014. (Catalogue)

2013

Yoshitomo Nara, Pace Gallery, 534 West 25th Street, New York, May 10–June 29, 2013. (Catalogue)

2012

Yoshitomo Nara: The Little Little House in The Blue Woods, Towada Art Center, Aomori, September 22, 2012–January 14, 2013.

Yoshitomo Nara: a bit like you and me..., Yokohama Museum of Art, Kanagawa, July 14–September 23, 2012. Traveled to: Aomori Museum of Art, October 6, 2012–January 14, 2013; Contemporary Art Museum, Kumamoto, January 26–April 14, 2013. (Catalogue)

2011

Print Works, Roppongi Hills Art & Design Store Gallery, Tokyo, February 17–March 21, 2011.

2010

Yoshitomo Nara: New Editions, Pace Prints, New York, October 27–December 4, 2010.

Yoshitomo Nara: Nobody's Fool, Asia Society Museum, New York, September 9, 2010–January 2, 2010.
(Catalogue)

Ceramic Works, Tomio Koyama Gallery, Tokyo, May 15–June 19, 2010. (Catalogue)

2009

The Crated Rooms in Iceland: Yoshitomo Nara + YNG, The Reykjavik Art Museum, September 17, 2009–January 3, 2010. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, February 28–March 28, 2009.

2008

Yoshitomo Nara and Installation by YNG, Blum & Poe, Los Angeles, December 20, 2008–February 7, 2009

Yoshitomo Nara + graf, Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art, Newcastle, June 14–October 26, 2008.

Yoshitomo Nara, Galerie Meyer Kainer, Vienna, April 26–June 26, 2008.

Yoshitomo Nara, Galerie Zink Munich, Munich, March 14–May 3, 2008.

2007

Yoshitomo Nara, Johnen + Schoettle, Cologne, September 29–October 31, 2007.

Yoshitomo Nara + graf: Torre de Málaga, Centro de Arte Contemporáneo de Málaga, September 21, 2007–January 6, 2008. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara + graf, GEM, Museum of Contemporary Art, The Hague, June 2–October 28, 2007.

Yoshitomo Nara + graf: Berlin Baracke, Galerie Zink Berlin, February 10–April 21, 2007.

2006

Yoshitomo Nara: Moon Light Serenade, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, September 20, 2006–March 21, 2007. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara + graf: A to Z, Yoshii Brick Brewhouse, Hirosaki, Aomori, July 29–October 22, 2006. (Catalogue).

Yoshitomo Nara + graf, Stephen Friedman Gallery, London, February 3–March 11, 2006.

2005

Home, graf media gm, Osaka, December 18, 2005–February 5, 2006.

Yoshitomo Nara, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, September 9–October 8, 2005.

2004

Shallow Puddles, graf media gm, Osaka, December 24, 2004–January 6, 2005.

Yoshitomo Nara: Nowhere Land, Johnen + Schottle, Cologne, October 28–February 5, 2004.

Yoshitomo Nara: From the Depth of My Drawer, Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, August 11–October 10, 2004. Traveled to: Kanaz Forest of Creation, Fukui, October 19–November 28, 2004;

Yonago City Museum of Art, Tottori, February 10–March 21, 2005; Yoshii Brick Brewhouse, Hirosa'ki, Aomori, April 16–May 22, 2005; Rodin Gallery, Seoul, 2005. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara, Galerie Meyer Kainer, Vienna, March 30–May 5, 2004.

Yoshitomo Nara: New Works 2004, Blum & Poe, Los Angeles, January 10–February 7, 2004.

2003

The Good, the Bad, the Average...and unique, Little More Gallery, Tokyo, 2003. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara, Galerie Zink & Gegner, Munich, 2003.

S.M.L., graf media gm, Osaka, December 20, 2003–February 1, 2004.

Yoshitomo Nara: Your Dog, Orange County Museum of Art, Newport Beach, November 8, 2003–June 13, 2004.

Yoshitomo Nara: New Drawings, Tomio Koyama Gallery, Tokyo, November 8–December 6, 2003.

Yoshitomo Nara: Nothing Ever Happens, Museum of Contemporary Art Cleveland, September 12, 2003–January 4, 2004. Traveled to: Institute of Contemporary Art, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, January 24–April 4, 2004; San Jose Museum of Art, July 24–October 24, 2004; Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis, Missouri, December 3, 2004–February 26, 2005; Contemporary Museum, Honolulu, March 25–May 22, 2005. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara, Stephen Friedman Gallery, London, May 2–May 31, 2003.

2002

12 Etchings, Space Force, Tokyo, 2002.

Saucer Tales, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, October 19–November 16, 2002.

Yoshitomo Nara: Who Snatched the Babies?, Centre national de l'estampe et de l'art imprime, Chatou, France, June–September 2002. (Catalogue)

2001

Yoshitomo Nara: I Don't Mind, If You Forget Me, Yokohama Museum of Art, Kanagawa, August 11–October 14, 2001; Ashiya City Museum of Art and History, Hyogo, January 19–March 31, 2002; Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art, April 7–June 2, 2002; Asahikawa Museum of Art, Hokkaido, June 14–August 14, 2002; Yoshii Brick Brewhouse, Hirosaki, Aomori. (Catalogue)

Clear For Landing, Galerie Michael Zink, Munich, June 9–July 21, 2001.

Drawing Days, Colette, Paris, June 4–30, 2001.

In the White Room: An Exhibition of Paintings and Drawings, Blum & Poe, Santa Monica, January 11–February 10, 2001.

2000

Yoshitomo Nara, Stephen Friedman Gallery, London, May 26–June 24, 2000.

In the Empty Fortress, Galerie Johnen + Schottle, Cologne, March 31–April 4, 2000.

Lullaby Supermarket, Santa Monica Museum of Art, March 25–May 27, 2000.

Walk On, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, March 18–June 25, 2000.

1999

Happy Hour, Gallery Hakutosha, Nagoya, Aichi, 1999.

Pave Your Dreams, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, 1999.

Walking Alone, The Ginza Art Space, Tokyo, 1999. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Done; did, Parco Gallery, Nagoya, December 3–30, 1999.

Somebody Whispers in Nuremberg, Institut für moderne Kunst in der SchmidtBank-Galerie, Nuremberg, June 11–August 20, 1999. (Brochure)

In the Floating World, NADiff, Tokyo, April 2–May 10, 1999.

Yoshitomo Nara: An Exhibition of Sculpture in Two Parts (Part II), Blum & Poe Gallery, Santa Monica, March 16–April 3, 1999.

Yoshitomo Nara: An Exhibition of Sculpture in Two Parts (Part 1), Blum & Poe Gallery, Santa Monica, February 16–March 13, 1999.

No They Didn't, Tomio Koyama Gallery, Tokyo, January 16–February 6, 1999.

1998

Yoshitomo Nara, Institute of Visual Arts, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, September 11–November 22, 1998. (Brochure)

1997

Drawing Days, Gallery Hakutosha, Nagoya, Aichi, 1997.

Lonesome Puppy, Gallery Hakutosha, Nagoya, Aichi, 1997.

Sleepless Night, Galerie Michael Zink, Regensburg, Germany, 1997.

Yumeooka Art Project, World Is Yours, Wing Kamiooka Center Court, Yokohama, Kanagawa, 1997.

Screen Memory, Tomio Koyama Gallery, Tokyo, December 5–December 27, 1997.

Yoshitomo Nara, Blum & Poe, Santa Monica, May–June 28, 1997.

1996

Cup Kids, Gallery Hakutosha, Nagoya, Aichi, 1996.

Empty Surprise, Mitsubishi-Jisho Artium, Fukuoka, 1996.

Yoshitomo Nara, Johnen+Schottle, Cologne, 1996.

Lonesome Puppy, Tomio Koyama Gallery, Tokyo and Gallery Hakutosha, Nagoya, December 24–29, 1996. (Catalogue)

Hothouse Fresh, Gallery Hakutosha, Nagoya, Aichi, January 20–February 24, 1996. (Catalogue)

1995

Cup Kids, Museum of Contemporary Art, Nagoya, Aichi, 1995. (Catalogue)

Nothing Gets Me Down, Galerie Humanité Tokyo, 1995. (Catalogue)

Oil on Canvas, Galerie Humanité Nagoya, Aichi, 1995. (Brochure)

Pacific Babies, Blum & Poe, Santa Monica, July 12–August 19, 1995.

In the Deepest Puddle, SCAI The Bathhouse, Tokyo, March 10–April 4, 1995. (Catalogue)

1994

Christmas for Sleeping Children, Itoki Crystal Hall, Osaka, 1994. (Brochure)

Hula Hula Garden, Galerie d'Eendt, Amsterdam, September 2–October 2, 1994.

Lonesome Babies, Hakutosha, Nagoya, Aichi, April 5–May 14, 1994. (Brochure)

1993

Galerie Johnen+Schottle, Cologne, 1993.

Yoshitomo Nara: Be Happy, Galerie Humanité Nagoya, October 12–30, 1993. Traveled to: Galerie Humanité Tokyo, November 29–December 18, 1993. (Brochure)

1992

Loft Gallery, Deventer, The Netherlands, 1992.

Drawings, Galerie d'Eendt, Amsterdam, September 1992.

1991

Cogitationes Cordium, Galerie Humanité Nagoya, Aichi, 1991. (Catalogue)

Yoshitomo Nara: Paintings, Galerie d'Eendt, Amsterdam, October 24–November 24, 1991.

Harmlos, Galerie im Kinderspielhaus, Düsseldorf, January 25–February 21, 1991

1990

Yoshitomo Nara, Galerie d'Eendt, Amsterdam, May 4–30, 1990.

1989

Irrlichttheater, Stuttgart, 1989.

1988

Innocent Being, Galerie Humanité Nagoya, Aichi and Galerie Humanité Tokyo, 1988. (Catalogue)

Goethe-Institut, Düsseldorf, 1988. (Brochure)

1985

Recent Works, Space to Space, Nagoya, Aichi, 1985.

1984

It's a Little Wonderful House, Love Collection Gallery, Nagoya, Aichi, 1984.

Wonder Room, Space to Space, Nagoya, Aichi, 1984.