



# JURIES

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### Yuji Akimoto

**Director and Professor, The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts /  
Chief Executive Director of the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa**

Born in Tokyo in 1955. He graduated from the Department of Painting, Faculty of Fine Arts, Tokyo University of the Arts. From 1991 to June 2004, he worked for Benesse Corporation where his responsibilities included the operation of the Yasuo Kuniyoshi Museum, and the planning and operation of the Benesse Art Site Naoshima (formerly Naoshima Contemporary Art Museum). His work at the Benesse Art Site Naoshima includes the Art House Project (First Phase) from 1997 to 2002. Major exhibitions include “Standard” and “Standard 2,” which were both outdoor art projects with real houses (inhabited and uninhabited), streets and the entire Naoshima Island as venues. His work at the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa includes “Kanazawa Art Platform 2008,” a project-style exhibition in the streets of Kanazawa, and directing the First International Triennale of Kogei in Kanazawa, which presented new generations of crafts to a global audience. He was chief curator of Benesse Art Site Naoshima from 1992 to 2004, and director of Chichu Art Museum, managing director of Naoshima Fukutake Art Museum Foundation, and artistic director of Benesse Art Site Naoshima from 2004 to December 2006. He was director of the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa from April 2007 to March 2017, and has been the director and professor of The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts from April 2015.



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### Yuko Hasegawa

**Artistic Director, Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo / Professor, Tokyo University of the Arts**

Yuko Hasegawa is artistic director of the Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo (2016–present) and a professor of the Graduate School of Global Arts, Tokyo University of the Arts (2016–present). She was chief curator and the founding artistic director (1999–2006) of the 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, and chief curator of the Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo (2006–2016). She is also artistic director of Inujima Art House Project (2011–present). Her recent projects include the 7th International Moscow Biennale of Contemporary Art: Clouds ⇄ Forests (2017), “Japanorama: New Vision of Japan from 1970” (tentative title, 2017) at Centre Pompidou-Metz, “Kishio Suga: Situations” (2016) at Pirelli HangarBicocca, Milan, and “New Sensorium Exiting from Failures of Modernization” (2016) at the Center for Art and Media in Karlsruhe.



### Joyce Toh

**Curatorial Co-Head, Singapore Art Museum**

Joyce Toh is Co-Head (Curatorial & Collections) at the Singapore Art Museum (SAM), where she oversees the Philippine collection and the Publications portfolio. Some recent exhibitions that she curated and co-curated include: “5 Stars: Art Reflects on Peace, Justice, Equality, Democracy and Progress” (2015), “Sensorium 360°: Contemporary Art and the Sensed World” (2014) and “Medium at Large: Shapeshifting Material and Methods in Contemporary Art” (2014). Joyce was also involved in the Singapore Biennale 2013, “If the World Changed” and Singapore Biennale 2016 “An Atlas of Mirrors”, where she was a co-curator and part of the organising team that conceptualised the Biennale theme and framework; she also oversaw both biennale catalogues and short guides. Joyce’s curatorial and research interests include conceptual art practices, and artworks that probe and plunge into the complexities of the human condition in its manifold dimensions. She graduated with a Masters in Aesthetics from York University, U.K. (2005), and holds a Dual Degree in Art History & Public Communications from Syracuse University, U.S.A.



## You Yang

**Deputy Director, Ullens Center for Contemporary Art**

You Yang has a decade-long professional experience in museum management, writing, curating, event planning, public relations, marketing and fundraising. Since joining UCCA in 2011, his main responsibilities include developing the Center's public relations and branding strategies, crafting the Center's public image, and overseeing communication with domestic and overseas media as well as with the general public. From 2011 to 2016, You first served as UCCA's chief press secretary and head of the Development Department from 2012 to 2013. He then went on to supervise center-wide fundraising programs and lead the Public Programs Department from 2014 to 2015, presenting over 400 events per year in the varied forms of talk, screening, live performance, and workshop. You has also served as Supervisor of the Center's Visitors Experience Department and Members Department. You was responsible for the annual UCCA Gala from 2012 to 2015, the Center's key funding event, and has curated a wide range of special projects, including the Juqi art exhibition (2012, Lijiang); the Audi Art & Design Award (2012); the Agora Festival (2014); "M Home: Living in Space" (2014, UCCA); and "New Order: Altermondialisme" (2016, Sanya). Complementing his wide range of marketing and management experience, You Yang is also a published author and art critic with more than one hundred journal articles and catalogue essays to his credit. You Yang is also a senior lecturer at CIAB (Peking University) and China National Arts Fund Lesson (the Communication University of China) since 2014.



## Ryutaro Takahashi

**Psychiatrist / Art collector**

Born in 1946. After graduating from the medical school of Toho University he joined the neuropsychiatric department at Keio University. He later went to Peru as a medical specialist with the Japan International Cooperation Agency. After a period at Ebara Hospital he then established the Takahashi Clinic in Kamata, Tokyo, in 1990. He specializes in social psychiatry. He is also a collector of contemporary art and his collection toured 17 venues around Japan, including Ueno Royal Museum, between July 2008 and August 2017. His collection numbers some 2,600 artworks. His publications include Contemporary Art Collector (Kodansha Gendai Shinsho).



## Daisuke Miyatsu

**Art collector / Professor, Yokohama College of Art and Design /  
Visiting Professor, Kyoto University of Art and Design**

While working in Tokyo in the private sector he started collecting art from 1994. His personal residence was built in cooperation with various artists. His art has been shown widely in Japan and overseas, including at Daelim Museum (Seoul). From July to September 2011, his collection was exhibited across the entire Museum of Contemporary Art, Taipei. His publications include Contemporary Art Economics (Kobunsha Shinsho) and Buy Contemporary Art! (Shueisha Shinsho), which has also been translated into Chinese and Korean.

## Yoko Hayashi

**Senior Researcher, Agency for Cultural Affairs Japan**



### Kengo Kuma

**Architect / Professor, University of Tokyo**

Among his numerous projects in Japan and internationally, his recent designs include the Nezu Museum, Asakusa Culture Tourist Information Center, Nagaoka City Hall Aore, Kabukiza Theater, Besançon Art Center, and FRAC Marseille. His design for the New National Stadium in Tokyo is currently under construction. His many publications include *Small Architecture* (Iwanami Shinsho), *Architect, Run* (Shinchosha), and *My Place* (Daiwashobo).