

## Minako Ito

### Biography

- Present Adjunct Education and Research Assistant at Tokyo University of the Art  
Associate member of Japan Crafts Association  
Member of Japan Cultural Assets Urushi Association
- 2016 Graduated with M.A. degree from the Fine Arts Research Department at Tokyo University of the Arts, specializing in Urushi Arts
- 2014 Graduated with B.A. degree from Kyoto University of Art & Design
- 2012 Graduated from Ishikawa Prefectural Wajima Lacquer Technology Training Institute

### Awards

- 2023 Award of Excellence, Art by the Pond Exhibition, Yohkokan Garden  
Second Prize, Art Incubation, NY Open Call Exhibition
- 2018 Remember Hope Art week Photo Contest Winner
- 2013 The 30th Japan Traditional Lacquer Art Exhibition, Japan Traditional Lacquer Art Exhibition,  
Newcomer's Prize
- 2012 Director's Commendation for Graduation Works, Wajima Lacquer Art Technical Training  
Institute, Ishikawa, Japan

### Paper of thesis

- 2014 The Characteristics of Variant Nuri on Scabbards: Focusing on the Edo Period

### Solo Exhibition

- 2021 Minako Ito Lacquer Painting Exhibition at Zum Einhorn
- 2020 Minako Ito Lacquer Art Exhibition at Gallery Tanaka, Tokyo
- 2019 Uruwashi no Urushi Exhibition at Hiro Plaza, Tokyo
- 2018 Minako Ito Lacquer Art Exhibition -First Touch- at Tokyo American Club

### Exhibit History

2023

- Special Events for Customers at Tamagawa Takashimaya Department Store
- Award of Excellence, Art by the Pond Exhibition, Yohkokan Garden
- Exhibition of Lacquer Teaching Staff at Tokyo University of the Arts
- STEPPING INTO A WORLD at Gallery Max New York

- The Form of Urushi 2023 at The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, Chorenretsukan
- Crafts that Speak of Things -Words and Forms- at Itami City Museum
- Lacquer Panel Decoration Lecture at Setsuro Takahashi Memorial Museum of Art, Azumino, Japan
- Geidai in Ginchakai at Ginza Ito-Ya
- Link to art Medal project part IV at Nobana Art Work in Ginza
- Yosaku Murai Lacquer Salon / Takei Class and Ito Class Exhibition at Waseda Scott Hall Gallery

## 2022

- New Year Manpuku! New Year's Celebration Exhibition at FEI ART MUSEUM YOKOHAMA
- Special Events for Customers at Tamagawa Takashimaya Department Store
- Exhibition of Lacquer and Woodwork Teaching Staff Exhibition at Tokyo University of the Arts
- The 29th Japan Lacquerware Association Members Lacquer Art Exhibition at Mitsukoshi Department Store, Nihonbashi, Tokyo
- New York Art Wave Project 2022 at Viridian Artist Gallery
- Lacquer Chopsticks Decoration Lecture at Setsuro Takahashi Memorial Museum of Art, Azumino
- The Form of Urushi 2022 at The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, Chorenretsukan
- Aizu Machinaka Art Project 2022
- Geidai in Ginchakai at Ginza Ito-Ya
- Special Events for Customers at Kashiwa Takashimaya Department Store
- Link to art Medal project part III at Nobana Art Work in Ginza
- THE BRICKS NYC ART SHOW at The Blue Gallery, NY

## 2021

- Special Events for Customers at Tamagawa Takashimaya Department Store
- Lacquer and Woodwork Teachers' Exhibition at Tokyo University of the Arts
- Japan × Taiwan Contemporary Lacquer Art Exchange Exhibition at National Taiwan Arts and Crafts Research and Development Center
- Minako Ito Lacquer Painting Solo Exhibition at Zum Einhorn
- 50 Forms in the Palm of Your Hand at Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan
- The Form of Urushi 2021 at The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, Chorenretsukan
- Wako Exhibition at Gallery Yamasaki
- Music × Art Exhibition at Narimasu Act Hall
- Aizu Machinaka Art Project 2021
- Geidai in Ginchakai at Ginza Ito-Ya
- Link to art Medal project part II at Nobana Art Work in Ginza

2020

- Learn Maki-e! Apprentice Experience (Planning/Japan Crafts Corporation, Shiki no Bi)
- Special Events for Customers at Tamagawa Takashimaya Department Store
- Minako Ito Lacquer Art Solo Exhibition at Gallery Tanaka, Tokyo
- Special Events for Customers at Kashiwa Takashimaya Department Store
- Minako Ito Lacquer Painting Solo Exhibition at Hiro Plaza

2019

- URUSHI Traditional Lacquer Artists Exhibition at Sogo Yokohama Department Store
- The 36th Japan Traditional Lacquer Art Exhibition
- Lacquer Hospitality Vessels Exhibition at Seibu Ikebukuro Department Store, etc.
- The 28th Japan Lacquerware Association Members Lacquer Art Exhibition at Nihonbashi Mitsukoshi Department Store
- Tableware Festival 2019 (Original Design Category) at TOKYO DOME
- Kisei no Katachi Exhibition at Itami International Craft Center
- Kumiko Suzuki & Minako Ito Exhibition at Nobana Art Work in Ginza
- Uruwashi no Urushi Solo Exhibition at Hiro Plaza, Tokyo
- Honmono Experience! 2019 Summer Camp (Planning/Honmono Association of Japan)
- Special Events for Customers at Kashiwa Takashimaya Department Store
- Shiko Munakata, Leslie Thayer Exhibition, concurrent event: Minako Ito Lacquer Exhibition at Hotel Chinzanso, Tokyo
- Chokotto exhibition at POLA AOYAMA Building

2018

- Minako Ito Lacquer Art Solo Exhibition -First Touch- at Tokyo American Club
- Kumiko Suzuki & Minako Ito Exhibition at Nobana Art Work in Ginza
- Sake cups and sake cup stands, Itami International Craft Exhibition at Itami International Craft Center
- Remember Hope Art week Photo Contest Winner
- Each Lacquer Four Artists Exhibition at GALLERY MOZART

2017

- Tableware Festival 2017 (Original Design Category) at TOKYO DOME
- The 57th East Japan Traditional Crafts Exhibition

2016

- The 64th Graduation Works Exhibition of Tokyo University of the Arts

- Group Exhibition at Kyoyaki and Lacquer Ware Arai
- Group exhibition at Takumi Gallery, Across Fukuoka

2015

- The 32nd Japan Traditional Lacquer Art Exhibition
- Exhibition of Master first-year students' achievements at Tokyo University of the Arts
- The 55th East Japan Traditional Crafts Exhibition
- The Form of Urushi 2015 at The University Art Museum, Tokyo University of the Arts, Chonretsukan
- Maki-e jewelry on sale at the Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum Museum Shop
- The 10th Geidai Art Plaza Grand Prize Exhibition at Tokyo University of the Arts

2014

- The 31st Japan Traditional Lacquer Art Exhibition
- Exhibition of fourth-year undergraduate achievements at Tokyo University of the Arts
- Graduation Exhibition, Kyoto University of Art (Thesis: Characteristics of KAWARI-NURI in the scabbard - Focusing on the Edo Period-)
- The 54th East Japan Traditional Crafts Exhibition
- First chosen at the 61st Japan Traditional Crafts Exhibition
- Summer Vacation! Chopstick Making Class for Parents and Children at Sudama Fureai Kan, Yamanashi, Japan
- Maki-e jewelry on sales at Nihonbashi Mitsukoshi Department Store
- Tokyo University of the Arts, Lacquer Works Exhibition at HT Art Space, Taiwan

2013

- First chosen at the 30th Japan Traditional Lacquer Art Exhibition, Newcomer's Prize
- The 53rd East Japan Traditional Crafts Exhibition

2012

- Director's Commendation for Graduation Works, Wajima Lacquer Art Technical Training Institute, Ishikawa, Japan
- First chosen at the 52nd East Japan Traditional Crafts Exhibition
- The 8th Murai Yasusaku Lacquer Class Exhibition

### Workshop

2023 Lacquer Panel Decoration Lecture at Setsuro Takahashi Memorial Museum of Art, Azumino, Japan

2022 Lacquer Chopsticks Decoration Lecture at Setsuro Takahashi Memorial Museum of Art, Azumino, Japan

2020 Learn Maki-e! Apprentice Experience (Planning/Japan Crafts Corporation, Shiki no Bi)

2019 Honmono Experience! 2019 Summer Camp (Planning/Honmono Association of Japan)

2014 Summer Vacation! Chopstick Making Class for Parents and Children at Sudama Fureai Kan, Yamanashi, Jap

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