

## YOSHITOMO NARA

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

## 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, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 540 West 25<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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, 21<sup>st</sup> 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, Hirosaki, 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, 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.

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

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*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

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.