



### MORIGUCHI Kunihiko



# Yuzen / Design



The National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto



for the art of Yūzen dyeing, was born in Kyoto in 1941, the second son of Moriguchi Kakō, also a celebrated Yūzen artist and Living National Treasure. After graduating from the Department of Traditional Japanese Painting at Kyoto City College of Fine Arts (now Kyoto City University of Arts), he received a French-government bursary to study at the École Nationale Supérieure des Arts Décoratifs in Paris. By boldly combining the concepts of graphic design he acquired in Paris with geometric patterns, Moriguchi opened up new creative territory which broke the mould of the 'traditional craft' of Yūzen dyeing. Moriguchi's work as a Yūzen artist is not limited to kimonos; he has also collaborated in numerous design projects, applying his distinctive series of evolving surface patterns to products for Japan's long-established department store Mitsukoshi, the UK's iconic Liberty London and the French porcelain maker, Sèvres. Born of a long historical accumulation of techniques and sensibity, these works can be considered the actual physical embodiment of Yuzen dyeing and design that Moriguchi gives back to society.

Moriguchi Kunihiko, designated a Living National Treasure

The current exhibition showcases Moriguchi's art from the beginning of his career up to the present day, presenting outstanding kimonos, the drafts used to make them, and a variety design-related work: by displaying all these aspects of his oeuvre together under one roof we hope to give a full

picture of Moriguchi's creative output emerging from the multiple intersections between Yūzen dyeing and design, tradition and modernity,

# East and West.



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#### **Ticket Prices**

Adults: 1,000 yen (800 yen)

University students: 500 yen (400 yen)

\*Figures in parentheses are advanced ticket and groups of 20 or more and Night discount on Fridays / Saturdays after 5 P.M.

\*High school students and younger are free (with valid ID).

\*Visitors with disability and one person accompanying them are admitted free of charge. (Please present certificate at the admission.)

\*Collection gallery exhibition is available with this ticket.

\*Advance tickets are available until October 12.

\*Tickets may be purchased from: Ticket Pia (P Code: 685-381), Lawson Ticket (L Code: 52904),

major ticket event agencies ('play guides'), convenience stores etc.

(an admin charge may apply). \*Opening hours is subject to change, due to the prevention against COVID-19 pandemic. Please check the updated information, before your visit.

①Study for Yuzen kimono, 'Brightness of Snow' 1969

②Study for Yuzen kimono, 'Daybreak' 1974 ③Study for Yuzen kimono, 'Rose Garden' 1981

(4) Yuzen kimono, 'A Thousand Flowers' 1969
 (5) Yuzen kimono, wickerwork pattern 1972

©Yuzen kimono, indigo-tinged tan, gradated lattice design 1993

7 Yuzen kimono, Scarlet Ridge Pattern, 2000

§Yuzen kimono, topology of geometric design on white ground,

Minori' (Ripening) 2013 Isetan Mitsukoshi Holdings

Mitsukoshi shopping bag 'Minori' (Ripening) 2014

Cup-and-saucer set 'Minori' (Ripening) 2016
 Study in Green 12 1990 Hiroshima Prefectural Art Museum



## The National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto (in Okazaki Park)

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Transport
By JR and bus: ©From JR Kintetsu Kyoto Station (Stop A1) take City Bus No.5 heading for Ginkakuji-Iwakura. The bus stops immediately outside the museum at 'Okazaki Köen, Bijlutsukan, Heian Jingür-mac, ÖFrom JR Kintetsu Kyoto Station (Stop D1) take City Bus No.100 (rapid) heading for Kiyomizu-dera Ginkakuji. The bus stops immediately outside the museum at

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Kawaramachi Station or Keihan Sanjō Station take ○Ity Bus No.5 heading for GinkakujiMakura. The bus stops immediately outside the museum at 'Okazaki Koen, Bijutsukan, Heian 
Jingü-mae'. ○From Hankyù Karasuma Station, Hankyü Kyoto Kawaramachi Station or Keihan 
Gion-Shijō Station take ○Ity Bus No.46 heading for Gion Heian Jingū. The bus stops 
immediately outside the museum at 'Okazaki Kōen, Bijutsukan, Heian Jingū-mae'. 
Other bus routes: ○Free minutes' walk from 'Okazaki Kōen, GhM Theatre Kyoto, 
Miyakomesse-mae' bus stop ○Approximately ten minutes' walk from 'Higashiyama-Nijō, 
Okazaki Kōen-Guchi' bus stop

By Subway: ○Approx ten minutes' walk from Higashiyama Station, Subway Tōzai Line

By Car: The museum does not have its own car park. Please use nearby paid parking facilities. 
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museum tickets (one car per visit); please bring your parking ticket with you to the museum.





