



Mythical Shadows: Year of the Dragon

Koji Ohashi and Kanae Ohashi

Opening Reception: April 27 (Saturday), 5PM-7PM

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Kanae Ohashi's art is now acclaimed as a "three-dimensional art of light and shadow," a realm where she has melded craft with the vibrancy of life itself. Inspired by the vivid and pop art sensibilities of her son, Koji Ohashi, Kanae ventured into new creative territories. In the lead-up to a significant exhibition in 2017, Koji brought to life comic art populated by his imaginative characters, the "3-year-old boy Ruki-bon" and "Manhattan, Prince of Bears." These figures, born of Koji's imagination, were then masterfully reimagined by Kanae into the spellbinding medium of Shadow Box Art, culminating in an exhibition renowned for its heartwarming and joyous atmosphere.

Since that pivotal exhibition, Koji has embarked on an evolutionary artistic path, transitioning from digital mediums to the traditional art of Copics, and weaving in the timeless techniques of ukiyo-e, to create profound original works. These pieces mark a significant phase in his six-year journey of artistic exploration.

The collection showcased here captures the pinnacle of collaboration between Kanae and Koji Ohashi in the enchanting world of Shadow Box Art. Their joint venture invites viewers into a shared vision that transcends generational boundaries, offering a glimpse into a world where light, shadow, and color dance in harmony.

Koji Ohashi

Born in Osaka, Japan, in 1970

Koji Ohashi's journey in art began with winning numerous painting contests during his childhood. However, it was during his time studying in junior high and high school in New York that he developed a unique, pop-inspired sense of color that set him apart from the traditional Japanese art style.

After transitioning into adulthood following college, Koji took a break from painting until 2016. It wasn't until 2017 that he rekindled his artistic passion by collaborating



with his mother, Kanae Ohashi, who had a significant solo exhibition. This collaboration reignited his artistic sensibility, and he has since been creating vibrant and original artwork for his mother's Shadow Box Arts.

- Monaco Japan Art Festival 2020
- ZEN Exhibition 2023

Kanae Ohashi

Born in Kobe, Japan in 1941

During the 1980s, while living in New York due to her husband's job transfer, she honed her skills in Shadow Box art. Upon returning to Japan, she made dedicated efforts to promote and elevate it to the status of fine art.

Her achievements have earned her worldwide recognition, including the Grand Prix at the international art competition held at the Louvre Museum, recognition from the Vatican Museum, and the esteemed Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology Award. She is widely acknowledged as a leading authority in the realm of Shadow Box Art.



- 1998 Grand Collectible Blue Award - AMSC (Spain) Headquarters
- 1999 Highest Award - Overseas Art Exchange Association (Italy) Headquarters
- 2000 Grand Prize - Ecological Earth Art 21, Craft Division
- 2003 Grand Prix - Carousel du Louvre Tricolor Art Peace Award
- 2006 Fiera D'arte Giapponese Natale (Vatican Museums)
- 2013 Special Art Grand Prize - Salzburg Palace Museum, 90th Anniversary
- 2017 Selected for "Kami no Te Nippon" (God's Hand Japan) Phase III
- 2018 The Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology Award
- 2020 Monaco Art Bridge Prize
- 2021 Shadow Box in Japan Highest Honor Award
- 2023 ZEN Exhibition Committee Award

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dialogue, and the cultivation of new ways of being in the art world. Gallery 60 NYC is a sanctuary for contemporary art and a source of new talent.