

## **FLOATING**

Yoshiteru Asai (Japan), Glen O'Malley (Australia), Yayu (Japan)

FLOATING is an exhibition, of diverse media including photographs, photo silk screens and drawings by artists from two cultures, Japanese and Australian. It is also a celebration of an ongoing association between a group of artists over a long period.

Asai and O'Malley met over 30 years ago, when Brisbane photographer, Ian Poole, introduced a group of photographers from Nagoya to a group of Queensland photographers. Over the years, several international exchange exhibitions have taken place, including work by artists from both countries at DESIGN EXPO, Nagoya, in 1989, and in CROSS CURRENTS at the Australian Sugar Industry Museum, Far North Queensland in 2002, later shown at Caloundra, Cooloola and Logan City. Artists from both countries have remained friends over that time.

Asai is exhibiting photo silk screens and O'Malley photographs on gloss metal. Yayu is the third exhibitor. She is showing drawings. She is a younger artist, but linked to the association by being the granddaughter of Mitsuo Yamane (known as Ken), one of the photographers involved in the original meeting and for a long time, a collaborative part of this group.

In FLOATING all three artists depict the human form, with results both surreal and sensual.

The exhibition at Woolloongabba Art Gallery runs from 30 January to 10 February 2018. An opening function will be held at WAG on Saturday 3 February at 3:00 pm. After this FLOATING will be shown at Hyakka Hyakuso Gallery in Nagoya from 23 May to 2 June 2018.



## **YOSHITERU ASAI - Photographer / Studio Agni**

1940            Born in Nagoya  
1970            Established Studio Agni

### **Selected exhibitions**

1979            Works by Club Graphic Illustrators, New York  
1985            Two person exhibition with Kazuaki Futazuka  
1986            Creative Now in Japan, USA  
1989            World Photographic Exhibition, Design Expo, Nagoya  
1990            Concert Graphoeite, France  
1991, 1993, 1994  
                  Poster exhibitions in USA, Canada, Switzerland, Poland, and the  
                  Karelia Republic  
1998            Hamburg Graphic Design Exhibition  
2002            'Cross Currents', Australian Sugar Industry Museum, Mourilyan,  
                  North Queensland. Also Caloundra, Cooloola and Logan City

### **Selected Awards**

1982, 1983    Excellence Award, Japan CM Association  
1987            Bronze award, Brno International Biennale, Czech Republic and  
                  Slovakia  
1987            Gold Award, Rahati International Biennale, Finland  
1987            The First ADC International, New York  
1988            Bronze award, Poster Biennale, Warsaw  
1988            The Second World Poster Triennial  
1992            Segunda Biennale Imternational del Cartel, Mexico  
1994            International Advertisement Exhibition, London  
1994            Excellence Award, New York International Print Media Competition  
1995            Communication Design95, Germany  
1997            Asia Graphic Poster Triennial, Korea

<https://artavita.com/artists/11047-yoshiteru-asai>

<https://lib.colostate.edu/posters/results.php?field=author&q=%22Asai,+Yoshiteru%22>

<http://365.jagda.org/en/designers/detail/?date=20101204>



## **GLEN O'MALLEY**

1948 Born Brisbane, Australia

1989 Moved to North Queensland, Australia

### **Selected Solo Exhibitions:**

- 1977, 1978 **THE WESTERN SUBURBS OF MELBOURNE** – venues in Melbourne and Brisbane  
1979 - 1982 **FOUR AND A HALF MONTHS IN THE NORTH** – touring Australia  
1995 - 2010 **WHISTLING WITH THE ANGELS** - Perc Tucker Gallery, Townsville, and touring  
2004 **ICH FOLGTE EINFACH NUR DEN STUFEN** – Galerie Thorsten Billib, Berlin, Germany  
2007 **YOU CAN'T SIT DOWN** - Queensland Performing Arts Centre, Brisbane  
2017 **SHOWER SCENES** – Umbrella Studios, Townsville

### **Selected Group Exhibitions:**

- 1975 **TWO BRISBANE PHOTOGRAPHERS** – Ray Hughes Gallery, Brisbane  
1975 **WHERE DO YOU WANT ME TO STAND?** - Australian Centre for Photography  
1978 **40 PHOTOGRAPHERS** (Philip Morris Arts Grant) - National Gallery, Canberra  
1980, 1981 **AUSTRALIAN PHOTOGRAPHERS** - Department of Foreign Affairs touring the Middle East  
1988, 2016 **JOURNEYS NORTH** - Queensland Art Gallery  
1989 **WORLD PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION** - Design Expo, Nagoya and Kodak Gallery, Tokyo, Japan  
1989 **SHOT FROM DOWN UNDER** - Diacolo Gallery, Osaka / Kodak Gallery, Tokyo / Hide and Horiuchi Galleries, Nagoya, Japan  
1990 **PICTURES FROM JAPAN** - Imagery Gallery, Brisbane  
1990 **THE AUSTRALIAN STOCKMAN** - The Cowboy Poetry Gathering, Nevada and Oklahoma, USA  
1990 **JAPANESE EXCHANGE** - Kodak Gallery, Sydney  
2002 - 2004 **CROSS CURRENTS** – Sugarama Gallery, Mourilyan, Queensland and touring  
2009 **150 YEARS – PHOTOGRAPHY IN QUEENSLAND FROM THE GALLERY'S COLLECTION** – Queensland Art Gallery/GOMA  
2015 **THREE FOOT SIX** – (with paintings by Ian Smith) Warwick Art Gallery, The Tanks, Cairns, Harvey Bay Regional Gallery

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## **YAYU**

Born in 1995 in Nagoya, Aichi Prefecture, Japan

- 2009 Junior High School Student Comic Illustration Grand Prix  
organized by Nippon Designer Geijutsu Gakuin
- 2011 Jul. High School Student Design Incentive Prize
- 2011 Aug. Exhibited works for Hoku Hoku Exhibition at Design Festa  
Gallery Harajuku, Tokyo
- 2011 Oct. High School Student First Live Art Koshien Grand Prix  
organized by All Japan Art Materials Association
- 2012 Jul. High School Student Design Grand Prix
- 2012 Aug. Exhibited works for Hoku Hoku Exhibition at Design Festa  
Gallery Harajuku, Tokyo
- 2013 Mar. Graduated from Comic Illustration Course, Nagoya Satellite  
Campus, HOKKAIDO HIGH SCHOOL OF ARTS
- 2013 Nov. Calligraphy Incentive Prize Fuji Mountain Student 32nd  
Calligraphy Exhibition Sponsored by Mainichi Daily  
Newspaper
- 2014 Fed. First Solo Exhibition 「生展」 (means “Living”) at Art Salon  
WASABI, (Animation and Cinematic Collection Art Museum)
- 2017 Mar. Graduated from Western Painting Dept. Faculty of Fine Arts  
NAGOYA UNIVERSITY OF ARTS