

- 1999 *The Museum as Muse: Artists Reflect*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, USA [ex.cat.]
3rd Asia Pacific Triennial of Contemporary Art, Brisbane, Australia [ex.cat.]
Regarding Beauty: A View of the Late Twentieth Century, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington D.C., USA [ex.cat.]
- 2000 **Hiroshi Sugimoto: Portraits, Deutsche Guggenheim Museum, Berlin, Germany, Guggenheim Museum Bilbao, Spain, [2001] Guggenheim Museum SoHo, New York, USA [ex.cat.]**
Hiroshi Sugimoto: Architecture Series, San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, CA, USA
Hiroshi Sugimoto, Museo Tamayo Arte Contemporáneo, Mexico City, Mexico
Expanding Horizons: Landscape Photographs from the Whitney Museum of American Art, Whitney Museum of American Art at Altria, New York, USA
★*Gendai: Japanese Contemporary Art – Between the Body and Space*, Center for Contemporary Art, Ujazdowski Castle, Warsaw, Poland [ex.cat.]

The human eye, devoid of the shutter, is by necessity characterized by long exposure. The exposure of the human eye is one long process—it starts as soon as the newborn opens its eyes, and ends when the eyes are closed at the end of life. We continue measuring the distance between the self and the world, relying on the inverted virtual image projected on our retina from birth until death.

———— Hiroshi Sugimoto

"The Virtual Image," in *Theaters: Hiroshi Sugimoto*, New York: Sonnabend Sundell Editions, 2000, p. 17.

- 2001 **Hiroshi Sugimoto: Architecture of Time, Kunsthau Bregezz, Austria [ex.cat.]**
Yokohama Triennale 2001, Kanagawa, Japan [ex.cat.]
★*Facts of Life: Contemporary Japanese Art*, Hayward Gallery, London, UK [ex.cat.]
- 2002 *Moving Pictures*, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, USA [ex.cat.]
- 2003 **Hiroshi Sugimoto: Architecture, Museum of Contemporary Art, Chicago, IL, USA [ex.cat.]**
Hiroshi Sugimoto: L'histoire de l'histoire, Ginza Maison Hermès Le Forum, Tokyo, Japan [ex.cat.]
Hiroshi Sugimoto, Serpentine Galleries, London, UK [ex.cat.]
The History of Japanese Photography, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX, USA, Cleveland Museum of Art, OH, USA [ex.cat.]
Happiness: A Survival Guide for Art and Life, Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan [ex.cat.]
- 2004 **Étant donné: Le Grand Verre, Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain, Paris, France [ex.cat.]**
Singular Forms (Sometimes Repeated): Art from 1951 to the Present, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, USA [ex.cat.]
- 2005 **Hiroshi Sugimoto: End of Time, Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan, [2006] Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington D.C., USA [ex.cat.]**
History of History, Japan Society Gallery, New York, USA
★*CHIKAKU: Time and Memory in Japan*, Kunsthau Graz and Camera Austria, Graz, Austria, Museo de Arte Contemporánea de Vigo, Spain [ex.cat.]

In Sugimoto's case, he found himself questioning the fundamental idea of the separation of the camera from the world.

———— Kerry Brougner

"Impossible Photography," in *Hiroshi Sugimoto*, Washington D.C.: Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Smithsonian Institution; Tokyo: Mori Art Museum; Ostfildern: Hatje Cantz, 2005, p. 24.

- 2006 **Colors of Shadow, Marian Goodman Gallery, Paris, France**
Mathematical Forms, L'atelier Brancusi, Centre Pompidou, Paris, France

Many of the later works are more specifically Japanese in subject or form than the famous early works.

Yet the yield of three decades is marked by its consistency of tone, as if Sugimoto had been born fully formed as an artist, knowing just what was important to him.

———— Janet Koplos

"Portraits of Light," *Art in America*, February 2006, p. 82.

The Seascapes with their repetitive, same-size, horizontal formats and their division into equal fields of sea and sky, seem quite at home with such contemporaneous trends in American art as Minimalism and serial imagery. [...] They are defined by Sugimoto's characteristic austerity and subtlety, yet they have an enormous tonal variety and range of effects despite the narrowness of their conditions.

———— Janet Koplos

"Portraits of Light," *Art in America*, February 2006, p. 84.

Sugimoto's camera is just the tool, but the real lens is the one in his—and, by extension—our—mind's eye.

———— Michael O'Sullivan

"Sugimoto: In His Mind's Eye," *Washington Post*, February 24, 2006.

After I saw it, light, time, paradox, and Japan were on my mind.

———— Holland Cotter

"A World Where Life Can Seem to Imitate an Imitation," *New York Times*, February 17, 2006.

Right away we learn something about Mr. Sugimoto's art. It is often witty, and it is always theatrical. And like most theater, it is highly stylized. Artificiality is its reality. Paradox and indirection are its forms of truth-telling.

———— Holland Cotter

"A World Where Life Can Seem to Imitate an Imitation," *New York Times*, February 17, 2006.

- 2007 **Hiroshi Sugimoto, Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Dusseldorf, Germany, Neue Nationalgalerie, Berlin, Germany**
History of History, 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa, Ishikawa, Japan, The National Museum of Art, Osaka, Japan [ex.cat.]
Photography on Photography: Reflections on the Medium since 1960, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, USA
- 2008

- 2009 *Reality Check: Truth and Illusion in Contemporary Photography*, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, USA
Hiroshi Sugimoto – Nature of Light, IZU PHOTO MUSEUM, Shizuoka, Japan [ex.cat.]
The Third Mind: American Artists Contemplate Asia, 1860–1989, Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, USA [ex.cat.]
Mapping the Studio, Punta della Dogana, Venice, Italy [ex.cat.]
Sexuality and Transcendence, PinchukArtCentre, Kyiv, Ukraine [ex.cat.]
17th Biennale of Sydney, Australia [ex.cat.]
- 2011 **ORIGINS OF ART, Marugame Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art, Kagawa, Japan [ex.cat.]**
Yokohama Triennale 2011, Kanagawa, Japan [ex.cat.]
- 2012 **Hiroshi Sugimoto: From Naked to Clothed, Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan [ex.cat.]**
Phantoms of Asia: Contemporary Awakens the Past, Asian Art Museum, San Francisco, CA, USA [ex.cat.]

Like many contemporary photographers, Mr. Sugimoto's work grapples with questions of perception and photography's claims to truth. But his interests have always reached further, to an almost scientific concern with time and time's in convenient companion, mortality.

———— Randy Kennedy

"Fossilizing" With a Camera," *New York Times*, October 9, 2012.

- 2013 **Hiroshi Sugimoto, Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea [ex.cat.]**
★*Re: Quest – Japanese Contemporary Art since the 1970s*, Seoul National University Museum of Art, South Korea [ex.cat.]
- 2014 **Aujourd'hui, le monde est mort [Lost Human Genetic Archive] – Hiroshi Sugimoto, Palais de Tokyo, Paris, France**
Hiroshi Sugimoto: Past Tense, The J. Paul Getty Museum, Los Angeles, CA, USA
Simple Forms: Contemplating Beauty, Centre Pompidou-Metz, France, [2015] Mori Art Museum, Tokyo, Japan [ex.cat.]

The concepts of infinity, of singularity, of horizonlessness—of the possibility of finding truth in the laws of nature—are as achingly beautiful in Sugimoto's steely curves [sculpture] as they are in his photographs of the sea.

———— Kriston Capps

"Hiroshi Sugimoto," *Artforum*, March 2015.
<https://www.artforum.com/picks/hiroshi-sugimoto-50980>

- 2016 **Hiroshi Sugimoto: Lost Human Genetic Archive, Tokyo Photographic Art Museum, Japan [ex.cat.]**
- 2017 *What Absence Is Made Of*, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington D.C., USA
★*Japanorama: Nouveau regard sur la création contemporaine (Japanorama: A New Vision on Art since 1970)*, Centre Pompidou-Metz, France [ex.cat.]
- 2018 **Still Life, Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels**
Sugimoto Versailles: Surface of Revolution, The Estate of Trianon, Palace of Versailles, France [ex.cat.]
Nobunaga and Quattro Ragazzi: Hopes and Illusions of Momoyama Renaissance – Europe through the eyes of Hiroshi Sugimoto and the Tensho Embassy, MOA Museum of Art, Shizuoka, Japan [ex.cat.]

Quattro Ragazzi: Hopes and Illusions of the Momoyama Renaissance – Europe through the Eyes of Hiroshi Sugimoto and the Tensho Embassy, Nagasaki Prefectural Art Museum, Japan [ex.cat.]

Sugimoto's pictures represent his interpretation of how these renowned artists envisioned their paintings and sculptures in their mind's eye just prior to creating them. But what's more intriguing is how Sugimoto's bleary images of these canonical art objects seem to heighten—rather than diminish, per Walter Benjamin—their auratic qualities.

———— Phyllis Tuchman

"Hiroshi Sugimoto," *Artforum*, December 2019, p. 216.

- 2020 **Hiroshi Sugimoto – Post Vitam, Kyoto City KYOCERA Museum of Art, Japan [ex.cat.]**

Collections

Centre Pompidou, Paris, France
Fondation Cartier pour l'art contemporain, Paris, France
Gallerie degli Uffizi, Florence, Italy
Hara Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, D.C., USA
Kunsthau Bregezz, Austria
Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea
Long Museum, Shanghai, China
The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, USA
Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, IL, USA
Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA, USA
Museum of Contemporary Art, Tokyo, Japan
The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX, USA
The Museum of Modern Art, New York, USA
The National Gallery, London, UK
The National Museum of Art, Osaka, Japan
The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo, Japan
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Serpentine Galleries, London, UK
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