# Tokyo Contemporary Art Award 2022-2024 Exhibition is currently on view!



Since 2018, Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Tokyo Arts and Space (TOKAS) have been organizing the Tokyo Contemporary Art Award (TCAA) for mid-career artists in Japan with the aim of assisting their further progress through continuous support over several years.

"Tokyo Contemporary Art Award 2022-2024 Exhibition" featuring Saeborg and Tsuda Michiko, recipients of the fourth TCAA is now on view at Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo until July 7th (Sun.)

#### Exhibition Information

Exhibition Title: Saeborg "I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU" / TSUDA Michiko "Life is Delaying"

Tokyo Contemporary Art Award 2022-2024 Exhibition

Period: 2024/3/30 (Sat.) - 2024/7/7 (Sun.)

Venue: Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Exhibition Gallery 3F (4-1-1 Miyoshi, Koto-ku, Tokyo 135-0022)

Open Hours: 10:00-18:00

Closed: Mondays (Except 4/29, 5/6), 4/30 and 5/7

Admission: Free

Organizers: Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Tokyo Arts and Space / Museum of Contemporary Art

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## About the Exhibition

These exhibitions featuring Saeborg and Tsuda Michiko are titled "I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU" and "Life is Delaying" respectively.

#### ■ Saeborg "I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU"

Saeborg has attempted to showcase performances that have primarily been carried out in theaters using latex bodysuits, now in the form of an exhibition. This exhibition is anchored in the theme that has always been central to her work: the intricate relationship between humans and animals. It features spaces that might remind one of toy farms, akin to the traditional Saeborg world, alongside ritualistic spaces newly designed from the concept of "care." Visitors will have the chance to interact with "Saedog," representations of vulnerable pets created for this exhibition, to explore their own vulnerabilities and strengths. The performances conducted during the exhibition will continue to evolve through interaction with the visitors.

#### ■ TSUDA Michiko "Life is Delaying"

In the new piece titled *Hello, Camera*, 2024, inspired by the introduction of a video camera to the artist's home during her childhood and its first use in capturing a family event, the work illuminates the unspoken assumptions about family roles and societal standings through the reenactment of this home video by twelve actors. It not only reveals the perceptions found in everyday scenes but also makes the individuals captured in this highly personal work accessible and relatable to anyone. Alongside other works such as *Life Condition*, 2024, which turns various household gestures into choreography, and *Looking Back*, 2022/2024 which presents events in the museum with a delay, the overall composition of the show invites viewers to see through the lens of the camera. It encourages an introspective look at one's own actions and the fixed positions we occupy, fostering a sense of objectivity about the gestures and behaviors that surface.

### Related Events

Saeborg

"Saedog," the dog made from latex body suits, will perform at the venue.

Time: [Weekday] Twice a day (About 1-2 hours for each performance)

[Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays] 10:00-18:00

Venue: Saeborg exhibit area of the Exhibition Gallery 3F

TSUDA Michiko

The event, running around the MOT (Koto-ku) with the artist will be held.

Other programs are scheduled.

\*All programs are subject to change. For further information, please visit the TCAA website.

# Monograph

TOKAS publishes bilingual monographs in Japanese and English for the artists that include images of their works in addition to the artist's own texts about their work and creative process, and contributions from experts in July 2024. \*The monographs are not for sale.

The partial PDF files are available to view on the PUBLICATIONS page of the TCAA website. You can also check other monographs by previous winners there. <a href="https://www.tokyocontemporaryartaward.jp/en/publication/">https://www.tokyocontemporaryartaward.jp/en/publication/</a>



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1. Saeborg, I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU, 2023-2024, installation



2. Saeborg, I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU, 2023-2024, installation



3. Saeborg, I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU, 2023-2024, installation



4. Saeborg, I WAS MADE FOR LOVING YOU, 2023-2024, installation



5. TSUDA Michiko, *Life Condition*, 2024, video, mirrors, wood, screens, sound



6.TSUDA Michiko, Looking Back, 2022/2024, mirrors, wood, software, camera



7.TSUDA Michiko, *Hello, Camera*, 2024, video, shooting set, camera, photos, cutting sheet



8.TSUDA Michiko, *Hello, Camera, single channel version*, 2024, video, 4min.

- \*We have prepared many PR images. Please contact to PR section.
- ${}^*\text{Images can be downloaded from the link} >> \underline{\text{https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/9atlyvqqvbj0ta5npt59j/h?rlkey=9z133uiho502u8g8jplwl9pyy&dl=0}}$



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