



HARA MUSEUM ARC

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SHOP@CAFÉ Vol. 15 Painting Maniac Bunta Inoue

At the Café d'Art and Museum Shop at Hara Museum ARC

July 7, 2023 (Friday) - January 8 (Monday/national holiday), 2024

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Notice from the Museum Shop and Café d'Art

SHOP@CAFE is a continuing series that offers for sale art that adds vibrancy to daily life under the catchphrase "Living with Art." For this 15th installment, we are pleased to present the work of the painter Bunta Inoue, who began art making in Ikaho from last year. Inoue's work will be presented at Café d'Art and the Museum Shop in three differently themed seasonal parts, one in the summer, fall and winter, featuring highly imaginative works inspired by nature and the environment, beauty, and love.

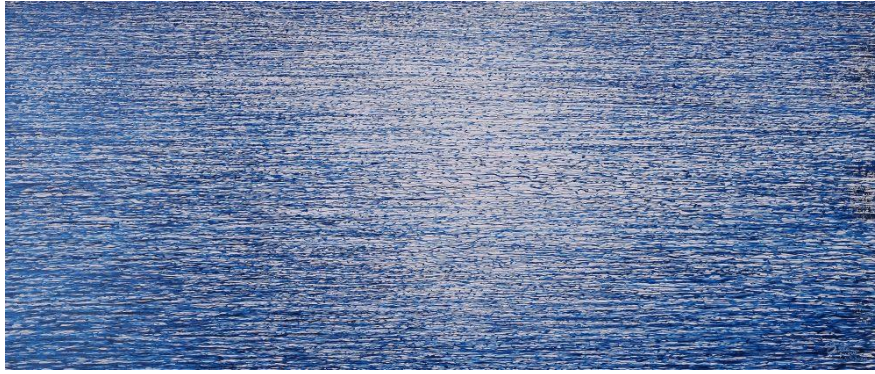
For Part I, with "Blue" as the keyword, paintings, sketches and prints will provide a cool ambiance to the cafe in the summer.

Bunta Inoue

Inoue embarked on his artistic career in 1998 after studying under the painter Kuniyoshi Kaneko. His work includes Japanese-style painting, oil painting, installation art and calligraphy. Although active in many fields, including doing the character design and art supervision for NHK's puppetry drama TV series *The Three Musketeers* and *Sherlock Holmes*, both written by Koki Mitani, Inoue has continued to dedicate himself to painting, like the other self-proclaimed "Painting Maniac" Katsushika Hokusai.

The special exhibition *Takehisa Yumeji and Inoue Bunta: Love and Dreams that Transcend Time and Space* is being held for one year starting this spring at the Takehisa Yumeji Ikaho Memorial (in the Minatoya Salon on the 3rd floor of the main building "Kurofune-kan").





■ Outline

Title: *SHOP@CAFE Vol.15 Painting Maniac Bunta Inoue*

Venue: Café d'Art and The Museum Shop at Hara Museum ARC

*Admission to the museum is required to access the Café d'Art.

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■ Information

Hara Museum ARC

2855-1 Kanai, Shibukawa-shi, Gunma 377-0027

Hours: Cafe 10:00 am-4:30 pm, Shop 9:30 am-4:30 pm (admission until 4:00 pm)

Closed: Thursdays (open on national holidays, December 28 and January 4), January 1 and during change of exhibit.

Admission: General 1,800 yen (1,500 yen*), Students 1,000 yen (700 yen*) [high school and university] or 800 yen (500 yen*) [elementary and junior high], Seniors [70 and above] 1,500 yen (1,200 yen*)

*Online booking price.

*Admission to Hara Museum ARC is required even when visiting only the Café d'Art or the Museum Shop.

* Visitors may also view the current exhibition *Opposite the Sun Is Where the Blue Sky Lies – Works from the Hara Museum and the Hara Rokuro Collections*.

Advance online discount ticket (date-specific): https://www.e-tix.jp/haramuseum_arc/en/

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