

Resume

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Education

2014 MFA in Photography, University of Alaska Fairbanks, USA
 1999 BA in Library and Information Science, University of Library and Information Science
 (presently University of Tsukuba), Japan

Solo / Two Person Exhibition Record

2014 Ice Formations, MFA Thesis Show, The University of Fairbanks Alaska Art Gallery,
 Fairbanks, Alaska, USA
 2013 Portraits: Places and Two Person's Show, Two Person's Show, The University of
 Fairbanks Alaska Art Gallery, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA

Group Exhibition Record

2014 The Aesthetica Art Prize in 2013, International Art Competition, York Art Gallery's
 Contemporary Art Space, York St Mary's, Castlegate, York, England
 2014 Natural World 2014, Nation Wide Juried Group Exhibition, The Center for Fine Art
 Photography, Fort Collins, Colorado, USA
 2014 Photo Independent - The International Exposition of Contemporary Photography,
 International Wide Juried Group Exhibition, Raleigh Studios Hollywood, California, USA
 2014 33rd Annual Expo Competition, Nation Wide Juried Group Exhibition, BJ Spoke Gallery,
 New York, USA
 2014 The National - Best Contemporary Photography 2014 -, Nation Wide Juried Group
 Exhibition, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, Indiana, USA
 2014 LaGrange National XXVIII Biennial 2014, Nation Wide Juried Group Exhibition,
 LaGrange Art Museum and Lamar Dodd Art Center, LaGrange, Georgia, USA
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- 2014 Patterns of Influence 2014 - Golden Memories, Juried Group Exhibition, Bear Gallery, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA
- 2013 Rarefied Light 2013, Alaska Statewide Juried Visual Art Group Exhibition,
November: International Gallery of Contemporary Art, Anchorage, Alaska, USA
December: Alaska Centennial Center for the Arts, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA
January-February 2014: Kenai Peninsula College, Kenai/Soldotna, Alaska, USA
- 2013 The Art of Photography Show 2013, International Wide Juried Group Exhibition, The San Diego Art Institute, San Diego, USA
- 2013 MFA National Competition, Nation Wide Juried Group Exhibition, First Street Gallery, New York, USA
- 2013 ATMOSPHERIC WEATHER Two Exhibitions of Artwork from Seattle Public Utilities' Collection, Seattle, Washington, USA
- 2013 Alaska Contemporary Art Bank Acquisitions Public Display, Alaska State Council on the Arts, Anchorage, Alaska, USA
- 2013 Blue Sky's Pacific Northwest Photography Viewing Drawers, Juried selection 2013, Portland, Oregon, Portland, Oregon, USA
- 2013 The Aesthetica Art Prize in 2012, International Art Competition, York Art Gallery's Contemporary Art Space, York St Mary's, Castlegate, York, England
- 2013 Patterns of Influence 2013 - Perspectives from AFAR, Juried Visual Art Group Exhibition, Bear Gallery, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA
- 2012 Rarefied Light 2012, Statewide Juried Group Exhibition,
October-November: Anchorage Museum at Rasmuson Center, Anchorage, Alaska, USA
December: Alaska Centennial Center for the Arts, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA
January-February 2013: Kenai Peninsula College, Kenai/Soldotna, Alaska, USA
February-March 2013: Kodiak College Campus Center, Kodiak, Alaska, USA
- 2012 The 27th annual No Big Heads, A National Juried SelfPortrait Competition, The University of Alaska Anchorage Student Union Gallery, Anchorage, Alaska, USA
- 2011 The 26th Annual 64th Parallel, Juried Group Exhibition, Bear Gallery, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA
- 2011 Japan Professional Photographers Society Exhibition 2011, Nation Wide Juried Group Exhibition,

May: Tokyo Metropolitan Museum of Photography, Tokyo, Japan

July: Aichi Prefectural Museum of Art, Nagoya, Japan

August: Kyoto Municipal Museum of Art Annex, Kyoto, Japan

September: Hiroshim Prefectural Art Museum, Hiroshima, Japan

Grants, Awards, Honors

2011-2014 Teaching Assistantship, University of Alaska Fairbanks

2014 Juror's Selection / Director's Honorable Mention / Livebooks Website Award, Natural World 2014, Nation Wide Juried Group Exhibition

2013 Honorable Mention, Rarefied Light 2013, Alaska Statewide Juried Group Exhibition

2013 Student Abstract Category Award, 2013 American Aperture Awards (AX3), International Juried Competition

2013 Judge's choice, 2013 Art of Fashion Photography Competition, F Magazine

2013 Juror's Awards, ONWARD Compe '13 International Photography Competition

2011 EPSCoR Graduate Student Fellowship: Stipend in the amount of \$11000 plus tuition waiver for 9 credits of graduate classes

2010 Honorable Mention, New Media Show – Fairbanks Arts Association

2008 -2009 Yukon Government Film Festival, Outreach Prize

2007 Cinema Committee Choice Award, Fairbanks Film Festival – Fairbanks Arts Association

2007 Bedford, Jimmy B. Memorial Award

Public Collection

The Alaska Contemporary Art Bank (The Alaska State Council on the Arts)

The City of Seattle Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs' Atmospheric/Weather related acquisition for the Seattle Public Utilities Portable Art Purchase Program

Publications / Interview

dohdo magazine - online publication: 2014 June 10, "Ice Formations by Ryota Kajita"

<http://dodho.com/ice-formations-ryota-kajita/>

Natural World - The Center for Fine Art Photography: 2014, Cover image, Artist Spotlight written by Susan Supiritus (p.8-9) and images (p.38-39)

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FABRIK - Conetemporary Art & Design: 2014 Issue 24, p.98

Aesthetica Art Prize Anthology: 2014 March, The Art Prize 2014 100 Contemporary Artists, p.56

Aesthetica - The Art & Culture Magazine: 2014 April/May Issue 58, p.85

ONWARD Photo - online blog: 2014 February "Interview with ONWARD Compé '13 Selected Photographer: Ryota Kajita" <http://blog.onwardphoto.org/post/75909713735/ryota-kajita-onward-interview>

b.j. spoke gallery - online blog: 2014 January 19, "Ryota Kajita" <http://www.bjspokegallery.com/2014/01/19/ryota-kajita/>

Permafrost Magazine: 2013 winter, p.10, p.41, p.132, p.161

The Art of Photography Show Catalog: 2013 p.29

FotoVisura - online: 2013 June 27, "Featuring 2013 Onward Compe Winners" <http://www.fotovisura.com/features/2013/06/featuring-2013-onward-compe-winners>

ONWARD Compé 1 Catalog: 2013 p.14

Sunstar: 2013 April 16 "MFA Photography student heads to Philadelphia to claim grand prize", Interview

F Magazine: 2013 Spring Vol. V Issue 1 "2013 Art of Fashion Photography, Judge's Choice, Self Portrait", p.42

Blue Sky – online: 2013 April, "2013 Pacific NW Photography Viewing Drawers" <http://www.blueskygallery.org/exhibition/2013-pacific-nw-photography-viewing-drawers/#30>

Aesthetica Art Prize Anthology: 2013 March, The Art Prize 2013 100 Contemporary Artists, p.45

Aesthetica - The Art & Culture Magazine: 2013 February/March Issue 51, p.91

Extreme Alaska - online: 2013 February, "Still Amazing! Photography exhibit captures the mind with icy images and frigid freeze-frames" <http://uafjournalism.com/2013/02/11/still-amazing-ryota-kajita-and-alice-baileys-still-photography-exhibit-portraits-places-and-people-captures-the-mind-with-icy-images-and-frigid-freeze-frames/>

Photo Technique: 2012 November/December "Ice Formations in Alaska", p.28-32

Alaska One Network: 2012 February and March, Interview

Aurora Magazine: 2012 Spring, p.7-13

Alaska EPSCoR: 2011 Fall, p.2-3

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Flying over Arctic North Director: Isao Yuguchi, Videographer: Ryota Kajita 2008 August : DVD video, Yaeihikousya, Hokkaido, Japan

Life of Shishmaref – Photographer: Ryota Kajita 2006 November: Aiko Educational Paper, Osaka, Japan

Starts in Mocha and Returns to Mocha –Yemen– Director: Toshio Imai, Videographer and Editor: Ryota Kajita 2005 July: DVD video, Time Café, Gifu, Japan

Video Screenings, Presentation and Live Performance

Video for Interactive Live Performance, Videographer

2012 October: Auksalaq, World Premiere performed simultaneously between the University of Alaska Museum of the North, Tavel Center at IUPUI, CIRMMT at Schullich School of Music, McGill University in Montreal, Grieg Academy of Music in Bergen Norway, and the OpenGrounds Studio at the University of Virginia

2010 October: Auksalaq, Ear to the Earth Festival in New York, New York
Tunnelman Episode 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, Educational Video, Videographer and Editor

2013 November: Screening for Snow Screen A Northern Film Festival, Anchorage Museum, Anchorage, Alaska

2010 June: Screening for 3th European Conference on Permafrost, Svalbard, Norway

2008 June: Screening for 9th International Conference on Permafrost, Fairbanks, Alaska

2008-Present: Screening for university students for the study of permafrost, Moscow State University in Russia, Berlin University in Germany, Hokkaido University in Japan, University of Madlid in Spain, Beijing University in China, Ulan Bator University in Mongol, Mendoza University in Argentina, and other universities

Losing Ground –Shishmaref, Alaska–, Documentary Video, Director and Producer

2012 February and March: Aired on Alaska One network (9AKSH107HDBA and 9AKLV108HDBA)

2009 March: Screening for Fairbanks Film Festival Art Expo, Fairbanks, Alaska

2007 March: Screening for Fairbanks Film Festival, Fairbanks, Alaska

Flying over Arctic North, Documentary Video, Videographer

2011 November: Screening for Asahikawa Atago Junior High School, Hokkaido, Japan

2010 October: Screening for the Exhibition of Wildlife Art at Sakuyakonohanakan,

Osaka, Japan

2010 September: Screening for the Program of evening of Aviation, Hokkaido Aeronautic Association, Hokkaido, Japan

2009 December: Screening for the event in Patagonia Yokohama store, Yokohama, Japan Starts in Mocha and Returns to Mocha –Yemen–, Documentary Video, Videographer and Editor

2005 August – Present: Screenings and Presentations for Coffee Work Shop Sponsored by Time Café

2005 August: Screening for Introduction to Coffee Studies at Kanazawa University Venture Business Laboratory, Ishikawa, Japan

2005 July: Screening for Time’s Society, Gifu, Japan

2005 Jun: Screening for Japan Coffee Society Conference, Nagoya, Japan Summer of Shishmaref in

2002 2003 June: Screening for Inatsu Kotobuki Lifelong Study Organization, Gifu, Japan

2003 Murch: Lifelong learning on World Studies, Mizunami Civic Center, Mizunami, Japan

Professional Experiences

2011-2014 Teaching Assistant, Art Department, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA

2008-2011 Research Assistant for Professor Kenji Yoshikawa, Engineering Department, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA

2006-2008 Library Assistant, Keith B. Mather Library, Geophysical Institute, Fairbanks, Alaska, USA

1999-2000 Manager of TV Program and Footage Archive Department, Bunkakobo Corporation, Tokyo, Japan

Teaching - Courses Taught

2014 Spring: JRN204/ART284 Basic Digital Photography, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Journalism Department and Art Department, Instructor, Introduction to Digital Photography, DSLR Shooting, Editing and Printing Techniques, Critiques

2013 Spring & Fall: JRN204/ART284 Basic Digital Photography, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Journalism Department and Art Department, Instructor, Introduction to Digital Photography, DSLR Shooting, Editing and Printing Techniques, Critiques

2012 Spring & Fall: JRN203/ART283 Basic Darkroom Photography, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Journalism Department and Art Department, Instructor, Introduction to Photography, Black and White Film Processing and Printing Techniques, Critiques

2011 Fall: JRN 407/ART 487 Inkjet Printing (Digital Darkroom), University of Alaska Fairbanks, Journalism Department and Art Department, Assistant to Professor Charles Mason
Advanced Adobe Photoshop and printing techniques for artistic and photojournalistic photography