



## **ABOUT YUKIKO**

I WAS BORN AND RAISED IN JAPAN AND FROM AN EARLY AGE I WAS STRONGLY INFLUENCED BY MANGA AND ANIME CULTURE. THE STYLE OF SHŌJO MANGA, IN PARTICULAR, IS DEEPLY REFLECTED IN MY CURRENT WORK.

I STUDIED ART AT THE SETSU MODE SEMINAR IN TOKYO, PRACTICING WATERCOLOR AND CREATING LINE DRAWINGS AND DIGITAL ILLUSTRATIONS, AND I FINALLY DISCOVERED THAT CANVAS AND ACRYLIC PAINT ARE PARTICULARLY SUITED TO MY EXPRESSION.

I WORKED AS AN ILLUSTRATOR. WHILE I WAS STUDYING.

BUT IT WAS DURING THE COVID-19 PERIOD THAT I INTENSIFIED MY STUDY OF PAINTING WHICH LED ME TO A SIGNIFICANT EVOLUTION OF MY WORK.

MY FIRST SOLO EXHIBITION DATES BACK TO MAY 2022, ENTITLED "PAINTING GIRLS" AT THE SHINKAN GALLERY IN NARA (JAPAN).

IN SEPTEMBER 2024 I REALIZED MY DREAM OF HAVING A SOLO EXHIBITION ENTITLED MY SENSE OF WONDER IN ITALY AT THE BIG EYES ART GALLERY IN BOLOGNA.

IN JULY 2025, I WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE DRILL EXHIBITION (GROUP EXHIBITION) IN GINZA, TOKYO.









MY SENSE OF WONDER IS AN EXHIBITION OF 14 ORIGINAL WORKS CREATED BY THE JAPANESE ARTIST YUKIKO FUJINO WHO FOR THE FIRST TIME IN ITALY PRESENTS HIS INTIMATE AND **SOMEWHAT** RESTLESS FAIRYTALE IMAGERY. THE SERIES OF PORTRAITS MANIFESTS A PICTORIAL EXPRESSIONISM WELL BALANCED BETWEEN FIGURATIVE AND ABSTRACT MATRIX. AROUND THE FACES OF YUKIKO'S MUSES RAGES A STORM OF FEARLESS THOUGHTS AND EXPLOSIVE EMOTIONS. MY SENSE OF WONDER SYMBOLIZES THE AMAZEMENT PRESENT IN EVERY HUMAN BEING IN FRONT OF THE INNOCENT AND SOMETIMES TERRIFYING SPECTACLE OF CONTEMPORARY LIFE. THE LARGE WIDE EYES WITH WHICH THE VIEWER WILL INEXORABLY COME INTO CONTACT, WILL TRANSLATE A CODE THAT CAN ONLY BE DECODED BY THE STATE OF MIND OF THE VIEWER. THE MIXED TECHNIQUE THAT RANGES BETWEEN ACRYLIC, WATERCOLOR, PENCIL AND EVIDENT SURFACE SCRATCHING INTERVENTIONS CONTRIBUTES TO MAKING THESE WORKS POWERFULLY EXPRESSIVE AND DREAMLIKE.



beautiful thoughts
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 45.5 W x 53 H x 2.2 D cm



breeze
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 38 W x 45.5 H x 1.8 D cm



## **MY SENSE OF WONDER**

THE EXHIBITION ITINERARY



**Even newer imagination**Painting, Acrylic on Canvas

Size: 53 W x 45.5 H x 2.2 D cm



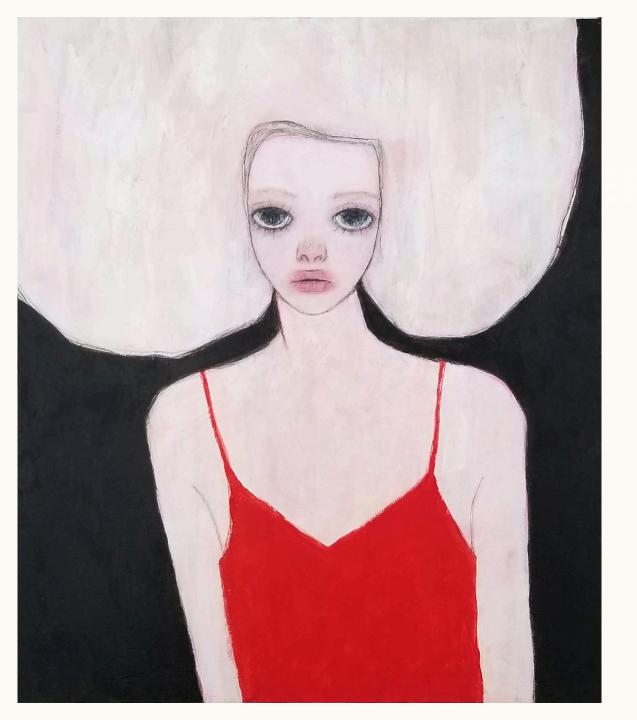


rainy day
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 24.2 W x 33.3 H x 1.8 D cm



shining star
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 24.2 W x 33.3 H x 1.8 D cm







# woman

Painting, Acrylic on Canvas

Size: 45.5 W x 53 H x 2.2 D cm





gentle light
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 24.2 W x 33.3 H x 1.8 D cm

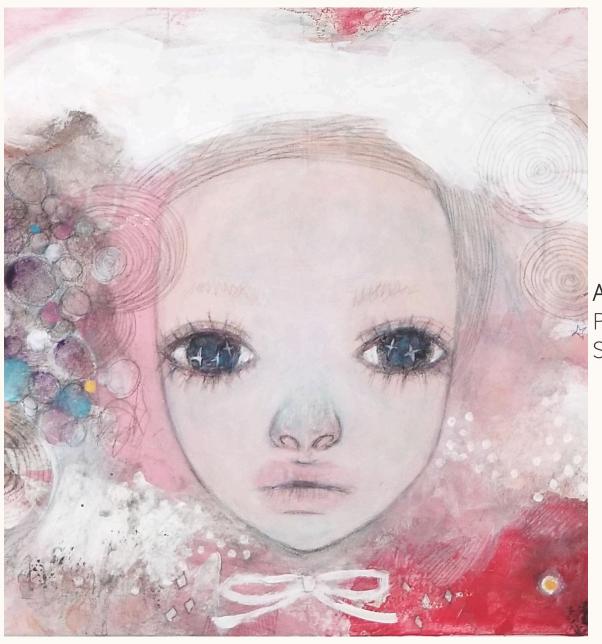


sweet scent
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 24.2 W x 33.3 H x 1.7 D cm



The Woman Who Wanted to Be a Flower
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas

Size: 27.3 W x 27.3 H x 1.8 D cm





Awakening

Painting, Acrylic on Canvas Size: 33.3 W x 24.2 H x 1.8 D cm





Friends
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 33.3 W x 24.2 H x 1.8 D cm



kind world
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 31.8 W x 41 H x 1.8 D cm





head to melt
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 53 W x 45.5 H x 2.2 D cm





Expanding Thoughts
Painting, Acrylic on Canvas
Size: 31.8 W x 41 H x 1.8 D cm



#### THE CURATOR'S COMMENT

MEETING YUKIKO'S WORK FOR THE FIRST TIME WAS LIKE COMING ACROSS THE MOST IRRATIONAL PART OF MYSELE.

THROUGH HIS SOMETIMES BRUTALIST PAINTINGS I WAS ABLE TO FIND THE MATERIAL REPRESENTATION OF MY STATE OF MIND AT THAT MOMENT.

SO I PRECIPIED TO WORK TO BE ABLE TO BRING TO ITALY THIS ARTIST WHO WILL BE PRESENTED EXCLUSIVELY FOR ITALY AND EUROPE IN MY GALLERY IN SEPTEMBER 2024.

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