

Yuki Sasakura Assiter

Jewellery Designer Maker

Artist Statement

My collections are inspired by the positive events in my life, my environment and travels through Japan. I am drawn to the concept of jewellery as an amulet, which connects it to the person's background, personal experiences and beliefs. Through investigating the history and traditions of amulets and integrating the person's personality, I endeavour to discover new meanings and functions. In doing so, I create new positive beliefs which could be shared with other people. I am also inspired by embroidery and Victorian craftsmanship and stitching and the care that was taken over making clothes. The combination of metal and fabric is of particular interest and I have found a way to replicate textures that resemble fabric. My technique combines tarnished silver with fabric, stone and stitching and also texturing metals by hammering and etchings. I explore textures, shapes and patterns derived from traditional embroidery and textiles.

Professional Artist Trainings

University College for the Creative Arts, Farnham

BA(Hons)3D design Metal and Jewellery design, Oct 2003- Jun 2008

Musashino University of Art, Tokyo, Japan

BA (Hons)3D design Metal and silversmithing, Apr 1990- Mar 1992

Professional Artist Memberships

A member of Society of Designer Craftsmen, Dec 2014- Present

Craft Central, a member of Jeweller's group, Jan 2010- Present

Flux studio, a member of Jeweller group, Oct 2008- May 2013

Selected Exhibitions

Made London at Old Marylebone, Oct 2012, 2013, 2014& 2016

Pika Pika_Spotlight on Japanese designers at Craft Central, Jul 2016

Bring On Spring, NumberNinetyFour, Colombia Road, Apr 2015& 2016

Society of Designer Craftsmen Show, Mall Gallery, Mall, Dec 2015

Handmade in Britain Christmas Pop Up Shop, Nov- Dec 2014

Made London at Old Marylebone, Oct 2012, 2013& 2014

Made in Clerkenwell at Craft Central, May& Nov 2010,2011,2012& 2013

Palace Craft& Art Fair at Fulham Palace, May 2013

Made in Clerkenwell at Craft Central, May& Nov 2012

London's Emerging Talent Exhibition at Craft Central, Mar 2010

New Designers Show at Design Business Centre Jul 2008

Jewellery Work history in London

YSA jewellery Jewellery designer/maker, Apr 2011- Present

Flux Studios, Jewellery workshop Tutor, Oct 2008- May 2013

Macha Jewellery, jewellery maker, May 2009- Dec 2009

Horace Design Ltd, jewellery designer/maker, Jun 2005- Jul 2006

Djurджа Watson, Jewellery Design Assistant, Jul- Sept 2005

Lara Bohinc104, Jewellery Production Assistant/maker, Jul- Oct 2004