

From Work Pants to Sustainable Clothing, and Beyond: The Trajectory of Japanese Postwar Fashion

Since the 1970s, Japanese fashion culture has garnered worldwide attention for its singular development. What are the origins of these unique and charming creations?

In the Meiji Period (1868-1912), Japanese society underwent a series of drastic changes prompted by the advent of modernization. Clothing was one of the many areas that changed. After importing European-style dress, Japan entered an era in which Western and Japanese clothing was divided according to private or public function. Then following World War II, Western styles came to be established as everyday wear. After passing through these changes, a unique fashion culture blossomed in Japan.

This exhibition provides a general overview of Japanese fashion from the postwar era to the present both from the perspective of the designers (transmitters) who created the clothing and ideas, and the consumers (recipients) who in some cases have sparked new fashion movements. At the same time, we examine how the media approached designers and consumers. By relying not only on clothing but also on a wealth of documents, including photographs, magazines, and films, the exhibition sheds light on the fashions of each era as well as social circumstances. This attempt to reconsider Japanese postwar fashion promises to serve as a unique opportunity for dialogue about the present day as well as the state of fashion and society in the future.

Outline

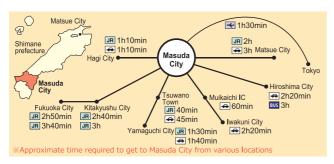
Period | March 20 (Sat.) - May 16 (Sun.), 2021

Venue | Iwami Art Museum Exhibition room A·D Shimane Arts Center "Grandtoit" 5-15 Ariake-cho, Masuda-shi, Shimane-ken, 698-0022 JAPAN

Closed | Tuesdays *Open on May 4 (Tue.) Opening Hours | 9:30-18:00

*Last admission 30 minutes before closing.

(Opening hours for the exhibition are subject to change)





- Iwami Kotsu Bus: Get off at Grand Toit MAE" bus stop (a 1 minute walk).
- A 15 minute walk from JR Masuda Station.
- A 15 minute bus ride using the airport bus from Hagi-Iwami Airport to JR Masuda Station.
- A 50 minute drive from the Hamada Interchange on the Hamada Expressway.
- A 90 minute train ride from JR Shin Yamaguchi Station to JR Masuda Station.

*Free parking available (240 parking spaces)

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