

KOICHI FUJIOKA

b. 1976 in Himeji City, Hyogo, Japan

Before becoming a ceramicist, Koichi Fujioka worked in electrical maintenance and interior construction. In 2003, he took a pottery class, and has been a ceramic artist ever since. Fujioka set up his own atelier after taking over the kiln from his pottery class in 2005. After winning "Best Award" at the 23rd Tableware Festival for his "Sunset Glow Series" in 2015, he attracted massive public attention, altering the trajectory of his ceramic career.

Selected Exhibitions:

- 2015: 23rd Japan Ceramics Exhibition
- 2014: International Ceramic Festival MINO
Itami International Craft Exhibition
Soba Inoguchi Art Competition Exhibition
- 2013: Kobe Biennale, Kobe, Japan
- 2011: Japanese Craft Exhibition
- 2009: Kobe Biennale, Kobe, Japan
- 2008: Asahi Ceramics Exhibition, Soho Museum of Art, Takashima, Japan

Awards:

- 2018: Tableware Festival Jury Prize Award
- 2015: Tableware Festival Best Award Winner
44th Long-a-Season Award
Tokoname Ceramics Exhibition Nagaso Award
8th Contemporary Tea Ceramic Exhibition Winner
- 2013: Japan Craft Exhibition Encouragement Prize
Takaoka Craft Exhibition Winner

2012: Biamaag Lankai

2011: Grand Prix Winner Prize

Contemporary Tea Pottery Exhibition Winner

2010: Grand Prix Excellence Award

2008: Biamaag Lankai Winner

Tottori Grand Prix Excellence Award