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#### Ryota Nojima

"Culture Day, the Painting put on Hold" November 2 - December 3, 2022

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# **"Treasure Fertilizer"** 2013 oil on canvas 19 x 27.5 cm (7.48 x 10.8 inches)



"my house" 2020 oil on canvas 116.7 x 91 cm (45.94 x 35.82 inches)



## "Beach 2" 2022 oil on canvas 45.5 x 53 cm (17.9 x 20.86 inches)



## "Rootless" 2022 oil on canvas 53 x 65.2 cm (20.86 x 25.66 inches)



"Japanese persimmon" 2022 oil on canvas 72.7 x 121.2 cm (28.62 x 47.71 inches)



"Sauvage Tongue" 2022 oil on canvas 33 x 24.2 cm (13 x 9.52 inches)



"Air flows" 2022 oil on canvas 22 x 27.3 cm (45.94 x 35.82 inches)

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"The sky of the waterfall, the light of the previous day" 2022 oil on canvas 194 x 130.3 cm (76.37 x 51.3 inches)



## "soundproof"

2022 oil on canvas 160 x 130.3 cm (63 x 51.3 inches)



# "trampolin"

2022 oil on canvas 14 x 18 cm (5.5 x 7.08 inches)



"Lift" 2022 oil on canvas 41 x 31.8 cm (16.14 x 12.52 inches)



**"jab"** 2022 oil on canvas 41 x 31.8 cm (16.14 x 12.52 inches)



"Portrait 7" 2011-14 oil, acrylic, watercolor, laquer, paper, and canvas 72.7 x 60.6 cm (28.62 x 23.85 inches)

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HAGIWARA PROJECTS is pleased to present "Culture Day, Paintings put on Hold", a solo exhibition by Ryota Nojima starting November 2. This will be Nojima's second solo exhibition at HAGIWARA PROJECTS.

Nojima paints people, animals, and landscapes with a light-colored, illustration-like touch, while simultaneously working on highly abstract paintings. Although his style varies, most of his works are based on drawings of daily events and experiences. The paintings are a manifestation of the realism and reality of accumulating these daily sensations, one by one, through repeated responses to the painting. The artist affirms that there are diverse thoughts and sensibilities that are not encompassed by a single style, and that there is hope in presenting his work in an ambiguous manner without clearly presenting a goal or purpose. The various elements present in Nojima's paintings, such as the titles, the images of the shapes that appear, the brushstrokes, and the colors, encourage the viewer to freely interpret his or her own story.

"I paint in order not to pretend that something out of the ordinary does not exist.

The paintings that start from such a point of view change their ideas as they are being painted.

They are often adapted, or they take unconscious actions, or they are taken in unexpected directions by the power of the painting.

As I deal with these interactions with the paintings, they seem to become personal, but they are not personal. I still feel as if I am searching for what the power of the picture is as I paint." Ryota Nojima

#### Ryota Nojima

- 1987 Born in Tokyo, Japan. Currently works and lives in Tokyo.
- 2012 BA. Musashino Art University

Solo exhibitions

- 2021 "Shared kitchen" Fujimidai-Tunnel, Tokyo
- 2016 "NOJIMA PROJECTS" HAGIWARA PROJECTS, Tokyo
- 2015 "TWS-Emerging 2015 vol.5" Tokyo Wonder Site Shibuya, Tokyo

Group Exhibitions

- 2022 "Tsumujikaze" OGUMAG+, Tokyo
- 2021 "OOlife" SET project Space Lewisham, London
- 2020 "Open Studio Hive Vol.5" Artists Studio HIVE, Tokyo
- 2018 "Invisible Strings in Spring" Devening Projects, Chicago, USA
- 2016 "Art showArt show" Namisagashitekkara, Kyoto
- 2014 "Tokyo Wonderwall 2014" Museum of Contemporary Art Tokyo, Tokyo
- 2013 "Imago Mundi" Foundazione Querini Stampalia, Venezia, Italy
- 2011 "RIKEN Exhibition Project 2011" RIKEN, Kanagawa "Open Studio Levillette House" Levillette House, Tokyo