
Art you can live in! Where the walls of your hotel room are decorated like an artist's tapestry
The "**Artist Room Carp**" is now ready.

Hope that the carp will also be lucky for those who stay in this room

The Park Hotel Tokyo (Shiodome Media Tower), in December 2012, started the "Artist in Hotel" project where an artist decorates an entire guestroom. The project is still in progress. By 2016, all the guestrooms on the 31st floor will be so decorated, and the "Artist Room Carp", the 14th in the series, has now been completed.

"Artist in Hotel" is the hotel version of "Artist in Residence". The artist himself stays in the hotel, absorbs the atmosphere of the hotel while partaking of its facilities and services, and fashions a hotel room into a work of art. Inspired by the "Japanese sense of aesthetics", the artist paints directly on the walls of the room as if it were a tapestry, and affixes original paintings and objects to the walls so that the entire room becomes a room with the artist's view of the world. These rooms, which evoke typical Japanese themes like "Sumo" and "Zen", are primarily offered to overseas guests, and are highly appreciated.

The 14th room, "Carp", was the motif chosen by the Japanese artist Yoko Naito who began it on 25th March 2015, and completed it on 17th April 2015.

Artist Ms. Naito says she felt "the majestic swimming figure of the carp embodies the universal wish for improvement, progress, and prosperity". From ancient times, the "carp" was regarded as an auspicious fish, and was vividly painted using various raw materials and techniques, such as collage with oil paints, acrylic paints, sumi (Japanese ink), and Japanese paper. At the entrance to the room and beside the window, he painted bengala (red iron oxide pigment), a traditional material used for shrines and Buddhist temples, so that overseas visitors can feel "Japan".

Next to the bed, there is the main mural, that of a boy who rides and plays on the back of a carp. Beyond, through the craggy rocks, a carp is trying to swim up a waterfall. The "carp" is a lucky symbol for people who wish the growth of their children and themselves. The artist hopes that the carp will also be lucky for those who stay in this room.

We invite you to relax with the wall paintings in the "Artist Room Carp".



[Artist Room Carp Outline]

Opening: 23th April, 2015 (online and phone reservations accepted)

Room: Double occupancy, 22 square meters

Bed size: 1600 x 1950 mm

Rate: 35,000 yen per night for two persons (including taxes and service charges)

Reservation and other questions: +81-3-6252-1100

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[Cooperation] Hagurodo

[Producer] creative unit moon



【Artist Yoko Naito Profil】

Born in 1985, in Chigasaki city, Kanagawa Prefecture in Japan. Having left high school before graduation, Naito became an autodidact and started painting with a variety of techniques from oil painting, Nihonga [Japanese painting], ink drawing to woodblock printmaking. She also has closely collaborated with experimental musicians such as sound-improviser/composer Tetuzi Akiyama, occasionally producing "Enha [circle wave]" multiples with her artwork dedicated to collaborators' sound/music and organizing performance event "Nami no Kai [wave gathering]." Naito's work always reflects her interest in harmony and androgyny inherent to the human being as well as in an ancient Zen belief in mind-body unity.

The artist holds private exhibitions at Tokyo galleries such as Hagurodo, T-BOX, and also exhibits widely in group projects, and at many national and international art fairs.

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