# **FUMI IMAMURA**



## BIOGRAPHY

Fumi Imamura (b. 1982, Aichi Prefecture, Japan) received her MFA from Kanazawa College of Art, Japan, in 2008. She currently lives and works in Aichi

Fumi Imamura is a contemporary artist who uses collage and watercolour on paper to create glossy, crinkly floral works. Her delicate creations resemble dried flowers pressed into the pages of a book, but on a wall-sized scale. Her delicate multilayered creations resemble dried flowers pressed into the pages of a book, but on a wall-sized scale.

These plants derive their charm not only from their branching, budding, insect-nibbled blossoms and leaves, but also from their poignantly rendered roots. Echoeing to the ethos of the Japanese crafts, Imamura's works speak to the beauty of the cracked, the faded, and the lovingly preserved.

Her collages on semi-transparent glassine paper feature delicate botanical motifs inspired by the landscape of her native Aichi in central Japan, as well as Japanese written folklore. Meticulously crafted, tiny floral elements are arranged in surreal shapes that the artist borrows from nature to express her own body and mind and imagine a world with an organic sense of freedom.

## SELECTED SOLO EXHIBITIONS

#### 2022

The Garden of Words, RETAIL, Aichi, Japan

#### 2021

To Send a Bouquet of Flowers, April Shop, Tokyo, Japan Invisible Flowers, Suisei Club, Kanazwa, Japan

### 2020

The Neighbouring Garden, Nidi gallery, Tokyo, Japan

#### 2019

The Invisible Garden, Shiseido Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

### 2018

Flower and Slug, Suisei Club, Kanazwa, Japan

## SELECTED GROUP EXHIBITIONS

### 2022

New Nature, PATERSON ZEVI, London, UK
The Secret Garden, Higashi-Osaka Citizen's Art Center, Osaka, Japan

### 2020

Please Come Yesterday, SuiseiClub, Kanazawa, Japan VOCA 2020, Ueno Royal Museum, Tokyo, Japan

## 2019

Azumino Art Crossing, Azumino Exchange Learning Center, Nagano, Japan

Aichi Art Chronicle, Aichi Prefectual Museum of Art, Aichi, Japan

## 2018

Flowing Out, Takenoyu, Yamanashi, Japan CONTACT, Kurobe City Art Museum, Toyama, Japan

# 2017

Plants Planet, Hajimari Art Center, Fukushima, Japan Now Now Tomorrow, Ichinomiya Seni Kaikan, Aichi, Japan