- 1971 岐阜県多治見市に生まれる
- 1991 多治見市陶磁器意匠研究所修了
- 1995 テーブルウェアフェスティバル 優秀賞
- 1996 岐阜県土岐市に開窯 高岡クラフト展 審査員特別賞
- 1998 国際陶磁器展美濃 '98銀賞
- 2002 国際陶磁器展美濃 '02審查員特別賞(深見陶治氏)
- 2004 MINO CERAMICS NOW 2004 ('12岐阜県現代陶芸美術館)
- 2007 第54回日本伝統工芸展入選('10-12)
- 2010 個展('11-'17)(しぶや黒田陶苑/東京)
- 2011 国際陶磁器展美濃'11 審査員特別賞(鈴木藏氏) 「白の時代」(益子陶芸美術館/栃木) 「東海現代陶芸 思考する新世代展」(愛知県陶磁美術館)
- 2012 利川陶磁器フェスティバル日中韓ワークショップ参加(京畿道利川市、韓国) 2013 第8回バラジタ陶芸大賞展大賞
- 「現代の名碗」(菊池寛実記念智美術館/東京)
- 2014 個展(日本橋三越本店/東京)
 Japanese Ceramics for the Twenty-first Century (ウォルターズ美術館/アメリカ)
 第61回日本伝統工芸展宮内庁買上
 第28回東濃信用金庫美濃陶芸作品永久保存事業に選定
- 2015 「本色共感:東アジア伝統陶芸」(京畿陶磁博物館/京畿道広州市、韓国)
- 2016 Japanese Water Jars for the Tea Ceremony (Joan B Mirviss Ltd/N.Y.) 個展(アートフェア東京しぶや黒田陶苑/東京)
 「近代工芸と茶の湯田」(東京国立近代美術館工芸館)
 中日韓、青瓷シンポジウム参加(浙江海洋大学/浙江省舟山市、中国)
- 2017 「現代の茶陶」(茨城県陶芸美術館) 平成28年度岐阜県伝統文化継承功績者顕彰(白磁、青瓷、練彩技術の保存・伝承) 「伊藤秀人 青瓷 碗 盃」(画廊 光芳堂/岐阜)
- 2018 「青の時代」(益子陶芸美術館/栃木)2017年度日本陶磁協会賞

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ITO Hidehito Profile

- 1971 Born in Tajimi City, Gifu Prefecture
- 1991 Graduated from Tajimi City Pottery Design and Technical Center
- 1995 Award for Excellence, Tableware Festival
- 1996 Opened a pottery kiln in Toki City, Gifu Prefecture Special Judge's Award, Craft Competition in Takaoka
- 1998 Silver Award, International Ceramics Festival '98 Mino, Japan
- 2002 Special Judge's Award selected by Sueharu Fukami, International Ceramics Festival '02 Mino, Japan
- 2004 MINO CERAMICS NOW 2004 (also in 2012, Museum of Modern Ceramic Art, Gifu)
- 2007 Won a prize for the 54th Japan Traditional $K\overline{o}gei$ Exhibition (also in 2010-2012)
- 2010 Solo exhibitions (also in 2011-2017) (Shibuya Kuroda Toen / Tokyo)
- 2011 Special Judge's Award selected by Osamu Suzuki, the 9th International Ceramics Festival Mino, Japan
 "White Period" (Mashiko Museum of Ceramic Art / Tochigi)
 Contemporary Ceramics in Tokai —Thinking New Generation— (Aichi Prefectural Ceramic Museum / Aichi)
- 2012 Joined a Japan-China-South Korea workshop, Icheon Ceramic Festival (Gyeonggi-do, Icheon-si, South Korea)
- 2013 Awarded Grand Prix, the 8th Paramita Ceramic Art Grand-Prix Exhibition "Contemporary Excellent Bowls" (Musée Tomo / Tokyo)
- 2014 Solo exhibition (Nihombashi Mitsukoshi Main Store / Tokyo) Japanese Ceramics for the Twenty-first Century (Walters Art Museum / U.S.) The 61st Japan Traditional Kögei -Art Crafts- Exhibition (Exhibited work purchased by the Imperial Household Agency) Selected as the 28th Tono Shinkin Bank's project for permanent conservation of ceramic art in Mino
- 2015 "Honshoku-Kyokan: Traditional Ceramic Art of East Asia" (Gyeonggi Ceramic Museum / Gyeonggi-do, Gwangju-si, South Korea)
- 2016 Japanese Water Jars for Tea Ceremony (Joan B Mirviss Ltd / N.Y.) Solo exhibition (ART FAIR TOKYO, Shibuya Kuroda Toen / Tokyo)
 "Kögei (Modern Crafts) and the Tea Ceremony II from the Museum Collection" (Crafts Gallery, the National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo) Joined a China-Japan-South Korea celadon symposium (Zhejiang Ocean University / Zhoushan, Zhejiang, China)
- 2017 "Contemporary Ceramics for Tea Ceremony" (Ibaraki Ceramic Art Museum / Ibaraki) Awarded FY2016 Contributor to Traditional Culture and Heritage in Gifu Prefecture (Preserve and pass on techniques used on white porcelain, celadon, and *nerisai*, a *nerikomi* technique using a potter's wheel) "Ito Hidehito Celadon Bowl Cup" (GALLERY KOHODO / Gifu)
- 2018 "The Blue Period" (Mashiko Museum of Ceramic Art / Tochigi) Japan Ceramic Society Grand Prize for FY2017

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青磁大鉢 Large bowl, celadon H125×W560mm 2017

伊藤秀人は、これまで磁器の練り込み作品や白瓷(はくじ)に取り組ん できたが、最近では青瓷(せいじ)を中心に作品を発表している。一口に青 瓷といっても、その釉色は時代や窯、作る人によって異なる。中国陶瓷を 例に挙げるならば、越州窯は朽葉(くちば)色、羅州窯はオリーブグリー ン、汝窯(じょよう)は淡い水色、日本人に最も親しみのある龍泉窯は淡く 澄んだ青緑色である。伊藤が学んでいる中国・宋時代の汝窯や南宋官窯(な んそうかんよう)は皇帝のために作られたやきものであり、なかでも汝窯 の釉色は「雨過天青」といわれ、中国が最高至上の神とする天の青色であ る。

「脈々と受け継がれるやきものの歴史、それを作り上げた先人たちに敬 意を以て臨(いど)みたい。やきものにしか表現しえない美があり、私はそ れを白磁の線、練り込みの表情で探っているのですが、釉そのものが示す 力にもひかれています」とは、現在の青瓷への挑戦を予測させる伊藤の言 葉である。

伊藤は、初期には林檎や花弁、巻貝といった自然物を造形の中に取り込 んだ作品を得意としていたが、汝窯や南宋官窯の青瓷、定窯の白瓷といっ た宋時代の陶瓷器に学び、古典を自らの拠り所としながらも、その本質を 自らの感性で捉え、現代を表現している。先の言葉にある「釉そのものが 示す力」とは、青瓷の色は釉薬を通して見える胎土によって質感や品格が 微妙に変わるという、青磁の本質を捉えたものでもある。そうした伊藤の 制作姿勢が評価されて、2017年度日本陶磁協会賞に選ばれた。

「自分の好きなやきものとは何だったのか? それは『今と自分』だけで は語れない、時代を通り抜けた現代に至るやきものたちでした。そこには 品格が備わっており、これは古典と向き合うことでしか学べない気がして います。そして自分は今を生きている。自然の中に見える美しきもの、心 が震える感動を現代のやきものとして取り出したいのです」と語り、「内な るものを出さずに終われない、それが表現の本質ではないでしょうか」と 問う、伊藤の脳裏に浮かんだのが「古典の品格と現代の美を併せ持つやき もの」という言葉であった。この言葉は、伊藤の作品をよく表している。

今展には、そうした古典から一歩抜け出た、伊藤独自の美しい曲線と フォルムからなる大鉢3点、茶碗1点が展示される。その造形と釉の力が、 どんな空気を醸し出し、どんな空間に仕上げてくれるか、とても愉しみで ある。 伊藤秀人展 青瓷 釉の力 ITO Hidehito Celadon"Inner Power of Glaze"

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Hidehito Ito's oeuvre to date includes *nerikomi* (marbleized) porcelain and *hakuji* (white porcelain). Of late his exhibited works focus on *seiji* (greenware, also known as celadon). *Seiji* encompasses an array of different glaze colors depending on period, kiln and maker. For example, Chinese *seiji* glaze colors range from the grayish ochre of Yue ware, the olive-green of Yaozhou ware, and the light blue of Ru ware, to the pale limpid blue-green of Longquan ware, the last probably being the hue most commonly associated with *seiji* in Japan. Ito has studied Song-period Ru ware and the Guan ("official") ware of Southern Song, both of which were produced for the Chinese imperial court. Of particular renown is the glaze color of Ru ware. Likened to a clear sky after a rainstorm, it is a blue representing Tian (heaven), the supreme object of worship in traditional Chinese belief systems.

One of Ito's past remarks anticipates his current exploration of *seiji*: "I want to tackle every project with a sense of respect for the continuous, unbroken history of ceramics, and for the people who have contributed to it. I believe ceramics have a unique beauty, which I explore in *hakuji* lines and *nerikomi* expressions. I am also drawn to the intrinsic power of glaze."

Earlier in his career, Ito found expression in works with shapes incorporating natural motifs, such as apples, petals and conch shells. He has since studied Song-period Chinese ceramics, such as the *seiji* of Ruyao and the Guanyao of Southern Song, and the *hakuji* of Dingyao. While referencing such classics, his works also capture their essence through Ito's own aesthetic sensibilities, thereby becoming expressions of the present age. The aforementioned "intrinsic power of glaze," also encapsulates the essence of *seiji*, which demonstrates subtle variations in texture and finesse depending on the clay body underneath the translucent glaze. Ito's creative approach has won him the fiscal 2017 Japan Ceramics Society Award.

"When I asked myself what kind of ceramics I was attracted to, the answer was ceramics that have continued to this day after going through many periods; ceramics that are not just about the present and myself. Such ceramics have a dignity that I feel can only be emulated by engaging squarely with the classics. At the same time, as a person living in the present age, I desire to extract and breathe into contemporary ceramics the beauty perceived in nature, and the quivers of excitement I experience," says Ito. "We are never satisfied until we express what is inside us, which is arguably the essence of creation," he adds. "Ceramics combining classic dignity with contemporary beauty" are what preoccupy him. The phrase is an apt description of his work.

This exhibition features three large bowls and one tea bowl that amply demonstrate Ito's uniquely graceful curved lines and forms, which seem to have outgrown the classics that informed them. I am looking forward to discovering what kind of atmosphere and space these pieces will create with the power of their plasticity and glaze.