

Kotaro Hachinohe



Japanese Calligrapher / b. Sapporo Hokkaido, Japan

In 1977 Kotaro Hachinohe was born in Sapporo, the capital city of the northern island of Japan. At the age of six, he had a fateful encounter with the world of Japanese calligraphy. He was drawn to the simple lines that conveyed powerful messages. When he became nineteen he moved to Kyoto, the capital of traditional Japanese art, and studied Art History at the Kyoto University of Art and Design where he received the Master of Arts in 2004. Although he studied the traditional style and method of calligraphy, the artist has been experimenting with his calligraphy in many forms and has developed a distinctive personal style. He focuses on the lines and points of a kanji character and in an artistic expression, he has cultivated a calligraphic art form that

transcends the boundaries of time and language. He's original words are not only to be appreciated visually, but are also perceived with other senses. He currently shows works in US and Japan.

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