

# Torigama

**Bob Okasaki**

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Access: 15 minutes' drive from JR Karatsu Station



▲ Kiln mark/Potter's mark



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- ▶ Born in California, USA.
- ▶ Fourth generation Japanese American.

## Seduced by the beauty of unglazed ware

Born in the United States, Bob Okasaki is a 4th generation Japanese American. As a child, he knew nothing about Japan. After growing up seeing his hard working grandmother and parents, and wondering about what kind of people the Japanese might be, he decided to visit Japan. That time was when he first held the unglazed yakishime ware of Bizen, and he fell in love with the unglazed yakishime ware of Nakazato Takashi at Ryutagama. "There are so many things surrounding us that we are never aware of, unless someone mentions them to us. It is important to be mindful of these things, all of these things that often go by unnoticed beneath our very feet." This sensibility is reflected in Bob's work. Although he experienced a stroke 9 years ago, 3 years ago, he had recovered from it and was able to put on a one man exhibition. Wanting to people to learn more about Karatsu ware, as well as his life, he has also taken up writing.



- Business Hours:  
Contact us
- Closed:  
Closed Irregularly
- Languages:  
Japanese / English
- Gallery:  
OK
- Studio Tour:  
OK \*Reservation is required.
- Kiln Tour:  
OK
- Type of Firing:  
Electric
- Pottery Lesson:  
NO
- Parking:  
🚗 OK

