

Bochugama

Kota Tanaka

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▲Kiln mark/Potter's mark



Kota Tanaka

- ▶1984 Born in Yamaguchi prefecture.
- ▶After graduating from Arita College of Ceramics, studied in Korea for 1 ½ years, and apprenticing with Nakagawa Jinenbo for 1 ½ years, before opening own studio and kiln.
- ▶Last apprentice of Nakagawa Jinenbo.

Searching for his voice in clay

Kota Tanaka opened his studio and kiln after spending 18 months studying in Korea, and another 18 months apprenticing with Nakagawa Jinenbo. He is the last person to apprentice with Nakagawa san. Now a year after becoming an independent potter, he says he is still struggling to find his own voice in clay. That said, he is very particular about his choice of clay and style of firing. He makes his own clay, and enjoys making clay more than the pottery wheel. He ponders what each clay will look like after it is fired. He has begun to feel that more than any other component in his work, the clay will perhaps best enable him to express his personality. He is particularly good with Chosen Karatsu style work, and enjoys the adrenalin rush from firing at the high temperatures required to achieve it. He feels that although Chosen Karatsu is difficult, it is worth the extra effort. He is just starting his journey, but very soon the day will come when his energetic and cheerful personality shines through in his pottery.



- Business Hours:
9:00 am - 7:00 pm *Contact us
- Closed:
Obon Holiday / New Year's Holiday
- Languages:
Japanese / English / Korean
- Gallery:
OK
- Studio Tour:
OK
- Kiln Tour:
OK
- Type of Firing:
Wood
- Pottery Lesson:
NO
- Parking:
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