## Mitoh gama

## Rui Mitoh

2972-6 Uki, Karatsu-shi

Access: 10 minutes' drive from Karatsu Exit of NISHIKYUSHU EXPWY.

http://mitougama.com/



▲ Kiln mark/Potter's mark



## Rui Mitoh

- ▶1978 Born in Fukuoka Prefecture.
- ▶2006 Graduated from Saga Prefectual Arita College of Ceramics, specializing in the potter's wheel.
- ▶ Apprentice of Kawakami Kiyomi.
- ▶2009 Opened own studio and kiln.

## Unwavering ideals and inner fortitude

At one time, Rui Mito worked in an office, then one day she saw a Shino teabowl that ignited her interest in ceramics. In the course of studying the various ceramic traditions of Japan, she met Kawakami Kiyomi and was smitten with the charm of Karatsu ware. Depending on the firing, Karatsu ware reveals many different expressions. Mito san is constantly imagining pottery shapes in her head, trying to find the best ones to express herself. Her pots start with her searching for the clay herself.

At first glance, the life of an office worker and the life of a potter must seem completely different, but the aspect of meeting and interacting with people is something they both share. She works every day striving to make pots that will connect her with the people using them. Her unwavering ideals and inner fortitude are impressive.



- $\hfill\square$  Business Hours:
- 9:00 am 5:00 pm \*Contact us
- □ Closed:
- Closed Irregularly
- ☐ Languages:
- Japanese
- ☐ Gallery:
- OK
- $\square$  Studio Tour:
- NO
- ☐ Kiln Tour:
- NO
- ☐ Type of Firing: Wood
- □ Pottery Lesson: NO
- □ Parking
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