

# Tenpyougama

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## Shingo Oka

- ▶1958 Born in Sasebo, Nagasaki Prefecture.
- ▶1982 Trained for 10 years.
- ▶1993 Opened own studio and kiln in Nishi Arita.
- ▶2003 Moved Studio and kiln to Hamatama, in Karatsu.



▲Kiln mark/Potter's mark

## An air of originality

Born in Nagasaki in the city of Sasebo, Oka san studied independently, and at various kilns throughout the Hizen region, before opening his studio and kiln at its current location in 2003. He focuses on making tableware for cuisine, and sometimes receives requests from restaurants for original designs and sets.

He doesn't focus on a particular style in his work, and takes hints from Vietnamese Annan ware, Yi Dynasty ware, Joseon Dynasty ware, underglaze cobalt decoration, and white ware, among others. He is seeking to make work that hasn't been seen before. "If someone says, "This piece smells like an Oka.", I'll be happy about it." he notes. Although he doesn't have specific goals, he does want to be true to himself in his work.



- Business Hours:  
10:00 am - 5:00 pm \*Contact us
- Closed:  
Tuesdays / Obon Holiday /  
New Year's Holiday
- Languages:  
Japanese / English
- Gallery:  
OK
- Studio Tour:  
NO
- Kiln Tour:  
NO
- Type of Firing:  
Wood / Electric / Gas
- Pottery Lesson:  
NO
- Parking:  
🚗 OK

