

# Nakazato Tarouemon Tobo



▲ Kiln mark/Potter's mark

## 14th Nakazato Tarouemon

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- ▶1957 Born as the first son of 13th generation Nakazato Tarouemon.
- ▶1983 Began working at Nakazato Tarouemon Ceramic Studio.

## Rising to meet the past

Nakazato Tarouemon, currently the Nakazato family's 14th generation, inherits the rich legacy of Karatsu ceramics. Surrounded by Karatsu ware from the day he was born, he soon came to realize how much brilliant work exists in old Karatsu ware.

"Today, the environment for creating Karatsu pottery is improving, but really good work is decreasing. Perhaps today we have a different mindset from the potters of old. It is important that we keep striving for the best work possible."

When we visited the studio, Nakazato san showed us some of his sgraffito work, featuring a motif of summer vegetables. "Maybe I'll have curry for dinner tonight...", he remarked, with the boyish grin of a much younger man. As he works, the intensity of his gaze belies his gentle, unpretentious nature.



- Business Hours:  
9:00 am - 5:30 pm
- Closed:  
New Year's Holiday
- Languages:  
Japanese
- Gallery:  
OK
- Studio Tour:  
NO
- Kiln Tour:  
NO
- Type of Firing:  
Wood
- Pottery Lesson:  
NO
- Parking:  
🚗 OK 🚌 NO
- Credit Card:  
OK

