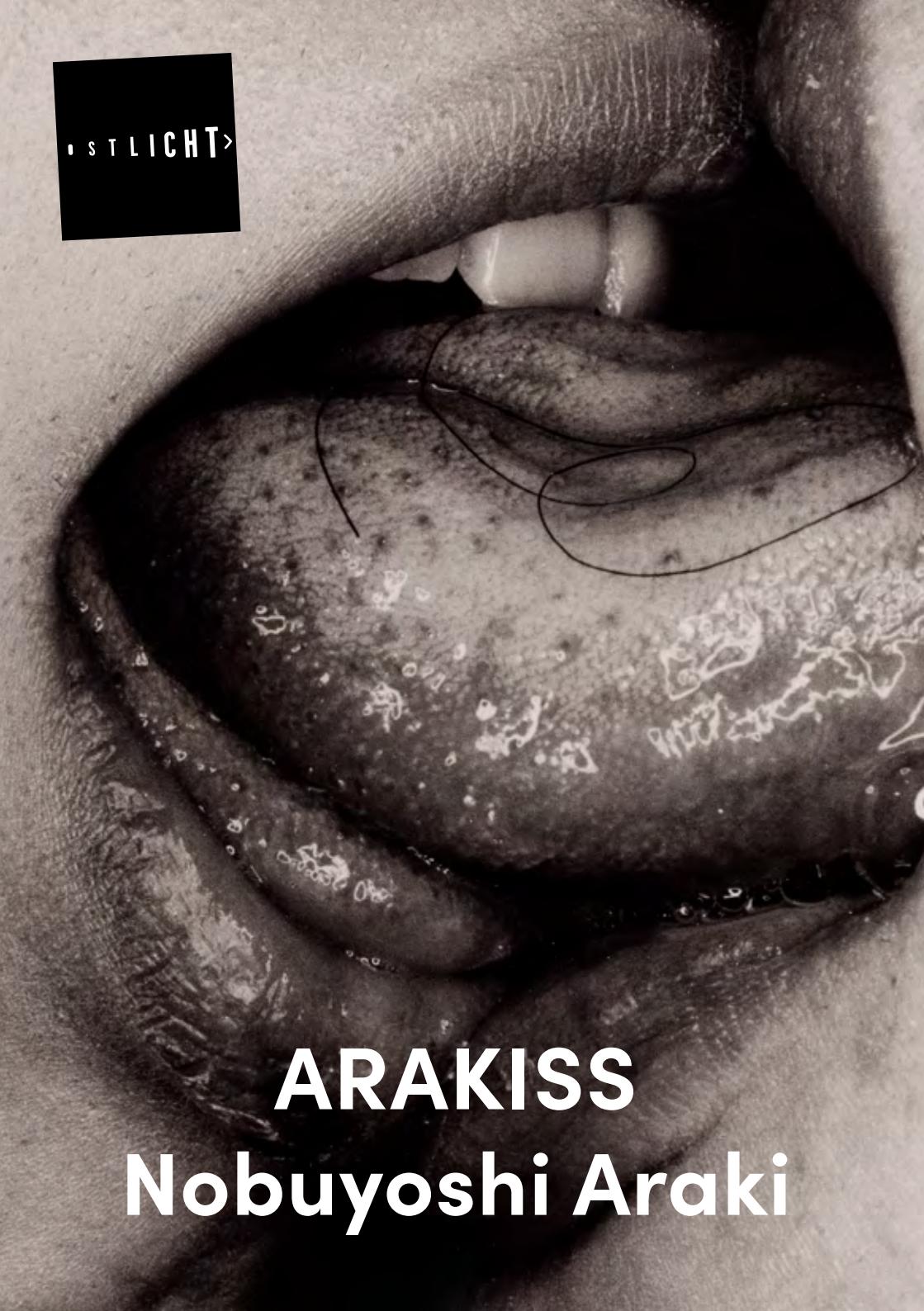


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ARAKISS

Nobuyoshi Araki

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Nobuyoshi Araki is one of the most influential contemporary Japanese artists. His work attracts attention far beyond the classical photographic public, and it is also a source of controversy. On the occasion of his 80th birthday, WestLicht and OstLicht present this exceptional artist in a double exhibition (**ARAKISS Part 1 & 2, 19.05.–01.08.2021**). It illuminates recurring thematic complexes in Araki's work: the obsessive preoccupation with sexuality and death, the blending of documentary and fictional narrative, iconoclasm and Araki's confrontation with censorship. The common thread of the exhibition at WestLicht is formed by Araki's books, which occupy a central place in his oeuvre. Many of his masterpieces impressively illustrate how the medium of photography can find its congenial complement in the medium of books. ARAKISS shows the development of Araki's work over a period of more than 50 years, from his first photographs through the famous *Sentimental Journey* series and his best-known Kinbaku photographs to his latest project *Paradise*.

Biography

Nobuyoshi Araki (* 1940) was born in Tokyo and grew up in lower class area Minowa, which he later described as the »womb« of his work. At the age of twelve his father gave him a camera. After studying Photography and Film at Chiba University Araki worked for some years at the biggest Japanese advertising company Dentsu, which he left in 1973 in favour of his artistic freedom. He extended his photographic strolls through the city, displayed his work in noodle soup restaurants, laundries and bars and sent xeroxed images bound in small format volumes to random addresses from the telephone directory. During the last fifty years Araki has published around 500 photobooks. His enormous fame in Japan at the beginning of the 1990's was accompanied with increasing international interest.

Araki has exhibited in the most important museums worldwide and is represented in renowned collections. With the exhibition *Diaries* in 2006, WestLicht dedicated a solo exhibition to the artist, who was awarded the Austrian Decoration of Honour for Science and Art in 2008. This was followed by *Araki Teller, Teller Araki* in 2014, the first joint exhibition with photographer Juergen Teller at OstLicht.

Nobuyoshi Araki

Nobuyoshi Araki ist einer der einflussreichsten japanischen Künstler der Gegenwart. Seine Arbeiten sorgen weit über das klassische Fotopublikum hinaus für Aufmerksamkeit und auch für Kontroversen. Anlässlich seines 80. Geburtstages präsentieren WestLicht und OstLicht den Künstler in einer häuserübergreifenden Doppelausstellung (**ARAKISS Part 1 & 2, 19.05.–01.08.2021**). Die Ausstellungen beleuchten wiederkehrende Themenkomplexe in Arakis Werk: die obsessive Beschäftigung mit Sexualität und Tod, die Vermischung dokumentarischer und fiktionaler Erzählung, den Bildersturm und Arakis Auseinandersetzung mit der Zensur. Den roten Faden bilden im WestLicht zudem Arakis Bücher, die einen zentralen Stellenwert in seinem Schaffen einnehmen. Viele seiner Meisterwerke veranschaulichen auf eindrückliche Weise, wie das Medium Fotografie im Medium Buch seine kognitiven Ergänzung finden kann. ARAKISS zeigt die Entwicklung von Arakis Schaffen über einen Zeitraum von mehr als 50 Jahren, von seinen ersten Aufnahmen über die berühmte Serie *Sentimental Journey* und seine bekanntesten Kinbaku-Fotografien bis zu seinem neuesten Projekt *Paradise*.

Biografie

Nobuyoshi Araki (* 1940) wurde in Tokio geboren und wuchs im Unterschichtenviertel Minowa auf, das er später als »Schoß« seiner Arbeit bezeichnete. Im Alter von zwölf Jahren schenkte ihm sein Vater eine Kamera. Nach dem Studium von Fotografie und Film an der Universität Chiba arbeitete Araki bei der größten japanischen Werbefirma Dentsu, die er 1973 zugunsten seiner künstlerischen Freiheit verließ. Er dehnte seine fotografischen Streifzüge durch die Stadt aus, stellte seine Arbeiten in Nudelsuppenrestaurants, Wäschereien und Bars aus und verschickte in kleinformatige Bände gebundener Xeropien an zufällige Adressat*innen aus dem Telefonbuch. In den letzten fünfzig Jahren hat Araki rund 500 Fotobücher veröffentlicht. Sein enormer Ruhm in Japan zu Beginn der 1990er Jahre ging mit zunehmendem internationalem Interesse einher. Araki stellte in den bedeutendsten Museen weltweit aus und ist in namhaften Sammlungen vertreten. Dem 2008 mit dem Österreichischen Ehrenzeichen für Wissenschaft und Kunst ausgezeichneten Künstler, widmete WestLicht 2006 mit *Diaries* bereits eine Einzelausstellung. 2014 folgte mit *Araki Teller, Teller Araki* die erste gemeinsame Ausstellung mit dem Fotografen Juergen Teller im OstLicht.

SALE

Alongside famous classics from the series *Sentimental Journey*, *Erotos*, *Flowers and Jamorinsky*, his best-known Kinbaku photographs and Polaroids, Araki's latest series *Paradise* is presented and offered to the public for the first time. These large-format still lifes on Eros and transience captured in lavish colours were created in 2020.

All works are signed by Araki.

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AVAILABLE SERIES & WORKS

Kinbaku Photographs

Sentimental Journey, 1971

Araki photographing Yoko, 1979–83

Polanography, c. 1985

The Banquet, 1989

*Colourscape*s, 1991

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Book Culture Renaissance, c. 1994

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Love by Leica, 2006

Daraku-en, 2012

Tableaus, each with 90 Impossible Polaroids, 2012

Last by Leica, 2012–2014

Paradise, 2020

VERKAUF

Neben berühmten Klassikern aus den Serien *Sentimental Journey*, *Erotos*, *Flowers und Jamorinsky*, seinen bekanntesten Kinbaku Aufnahmen und Polaroids, finden sich in der Auswahl auch – erstmals öffentlich präsentiert und angeboten – Fotografien aus Arakis neuester, 2020 entstandener Serie *Paradise*: großformatige Stillleben über Eros und Vergänglichkeit in berauschenden Farben.

Alle Werke sind von Araki signiert.

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VERFÜGBARE SERIEN & WERKE

Kinbaku Fotografien

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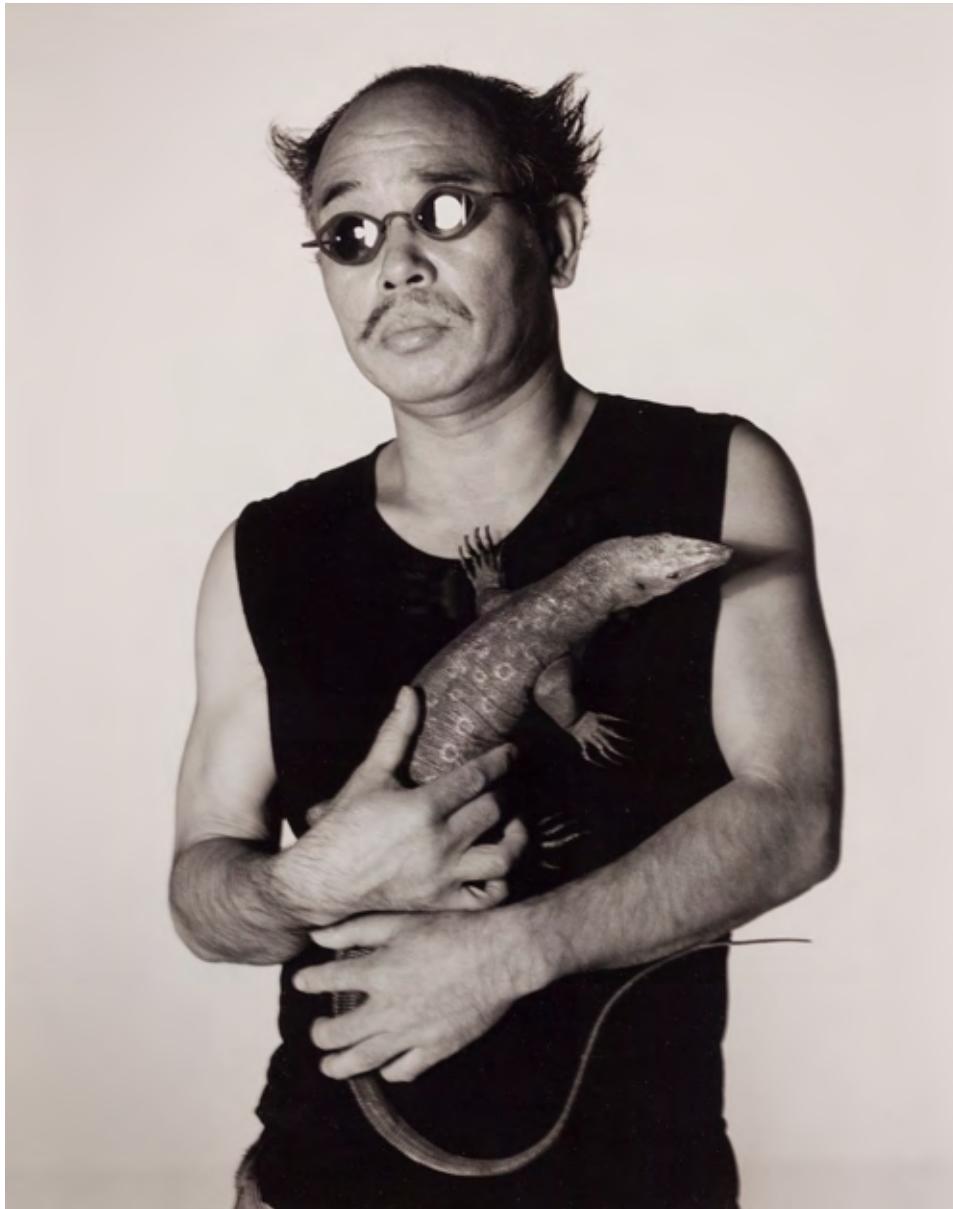
Love by Leica, 2006

Daraku-en, 2012

Tableaus mit je 90 Impossible Polaroids, 2012

Last by Leica, 2012–2014

Paradise, 2020



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Untitled (Self-portrait with Jamorinsky), 1991
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
39 x 31 cm (62 x 52 cm), signed
Sold



a2
Untitled (Tokyo, Self-portrait), 1985
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
32.1 x 40.3 cm (35.5 x 42.9 cm), signed
9,500 €

a3
Persona (Taro and Jiro), 1968
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
c. 26 x 40 cm (52 x 62 cm), signed
6,000 €



a4
Untitled, 1991
Gelatin silver print, 1990s,
46.1 x 57.7 cm (50.7 x 60.6 cm), signed
9,000 €



a5
Untitled (Kinbaku), 1985
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
c. 32 x 40 cm (42.5 x 62.5 cm), signed
8,000 €

a6
Bondage (Anus Flower), 1991
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
32.2 x 40.4 cm (35.6 x 43 cm), signed
5,000 €



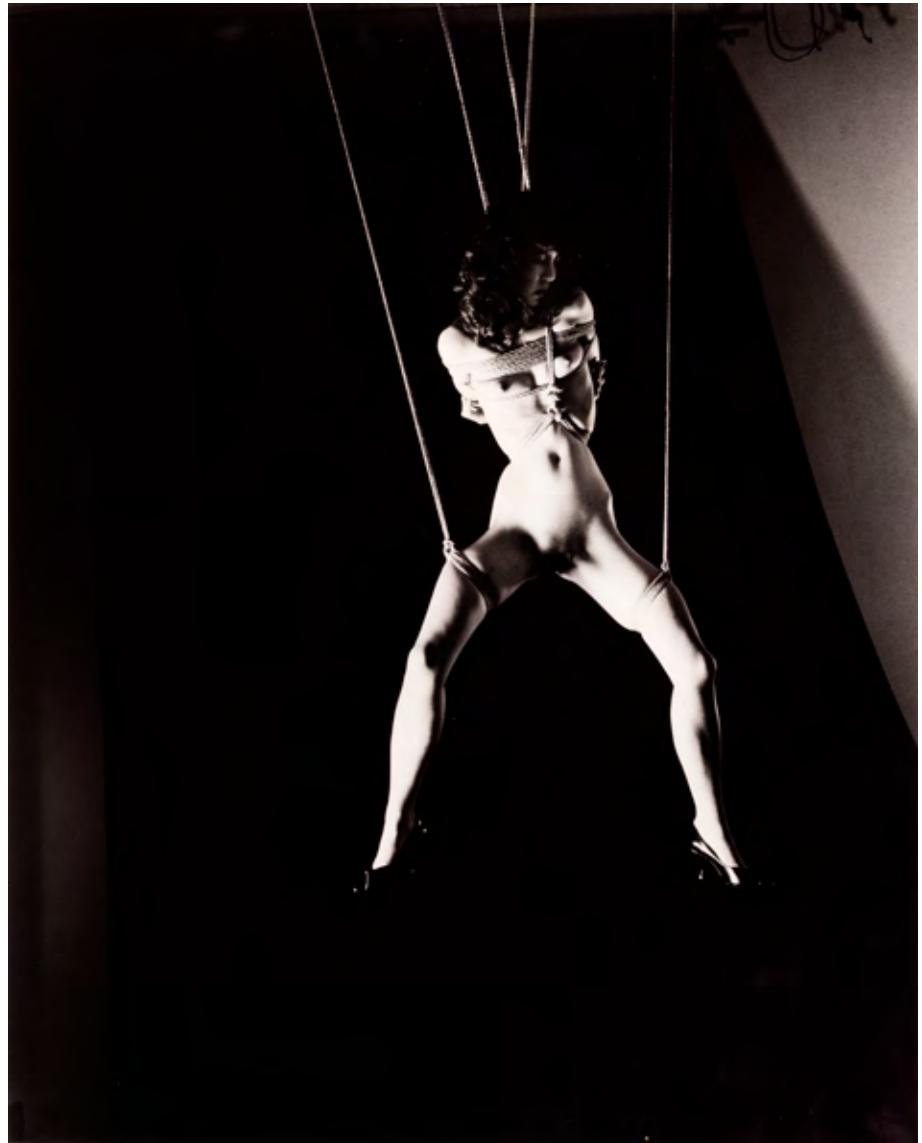
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Untitled (Kinbaku), 1993

Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,

c. 40 x 32 cm (42 x 33.5 cm), signed

6,000 €



a8

Untitled (Kinbaku), 1988

Gelatin silver print, 1990s,

40.4 x 32 cm (43 x 35.6 cm), signed

6,500 €



a9

Untitled, from the series *Tokyo Novelle*, 1995

Gelatin silver print, 1995,

31.9 x 40.5 cm (34.2 x 43 cm), signed

7,000 €



a10

Untitled (Self-portrait with camera), 1997

Gelatin silver print, 2009,

32.2 x 40.4 cm (35.5 x 42.9 cm), signed

7,500 €



a11
Untitled (Kinbaku), c. 1985

Gelatin silver print

93.8 x 72.8 cm (100.5 x 79.5 cm), signed

8,800 €



a12
Yayoi Kusama, 1989

Gelatin silver print

40.5 x 32.3 cm (42.8 x 35.4 cm), signed

Sold



a13

Untitled, from the series *Eros – Love in Winter*, 1997

Gelatin silver print, 2009,

40.4 x 30.8 cm (43 x 35.5 cm), signed

7,500 €



a14

Komari, from the series *L'amant d'août (August Lovers)*, 2001

Cibachrome print,

77 x 61 cm (82.8 x 64.8 cm), signed

Sold



a15

Untitled (Flower), 1995

Archival crystal print, printed later,

100 x 67 cm (110 x 81 cm), signed

12,000 €



a16

Untitled, from the series *Colourscapes*, 1991

Archival crystal print, printed later,

58 x 46 cm (61 x 51 cm), signed

18,000 €



a17
Untitled (Tokyo Comedy),
from the series *River Between Life and Death*, 1997
Gelatin silver print, printed later,
76 x 99 cm (85 x 106 cm), signed
28,000 €



a18
Untitled
5,000 €

a19
Untitled
5,000 €

From the series *Sentimental Journey / Winter Journey*, 1990
Gelatin silver print, printed later,
31.5 x 47.3 cm (40.4 x 50.5 cm), signed



a20

Untitled (Wedding),
from the series *Sentimental Journey*, 1971

Gelatin silver print, printed later,
57.6 x 38.5 cm (60.8 x 50.4 cm), signed
12,000 €



a21

Aijou-Seikatsu (Yoko),
from the series *Tokyo Story*, 1989

Gelatin silver print, printed later,
29.8 x 40.4 cm (35.6 x 43.4 cm), signed
6,000 €



a22

Untitled, from the series *The Banquet*, 1989

Archival crystal print, printed later,
27.1 x 40.6 cm (35.5 x 43.2 cm), signed

Sold



a23

Untitled (Self-portrait with Yoko),
from the series *Colourscapes*, 1991

Archival crystal print, printed later,
58 x 46 cm (61.2 x 50.8 cm), signed
12,000 €



All works: Archive pigment prints, printed later,
c. 59 x 74 cm (c. 61 x 78 cm), signed

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Untitled, 1992
6,500 €



a25
Untitled, 1990s
5,500 €



a26
Untitled, 1990s
6,500 €

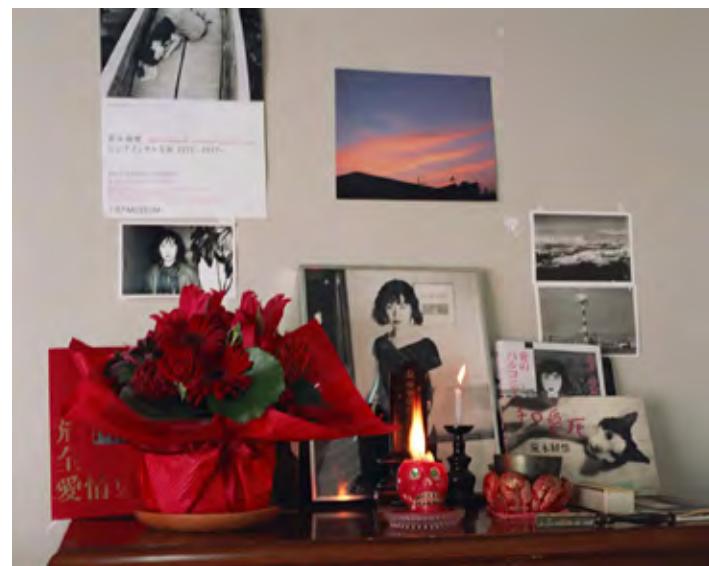
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Shino, 1993
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Chiro, 1991
5,500 €

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Untitled, 1990s
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Al-Elegy, 2018
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a32
Al-Elegy, 2018
5,500 €

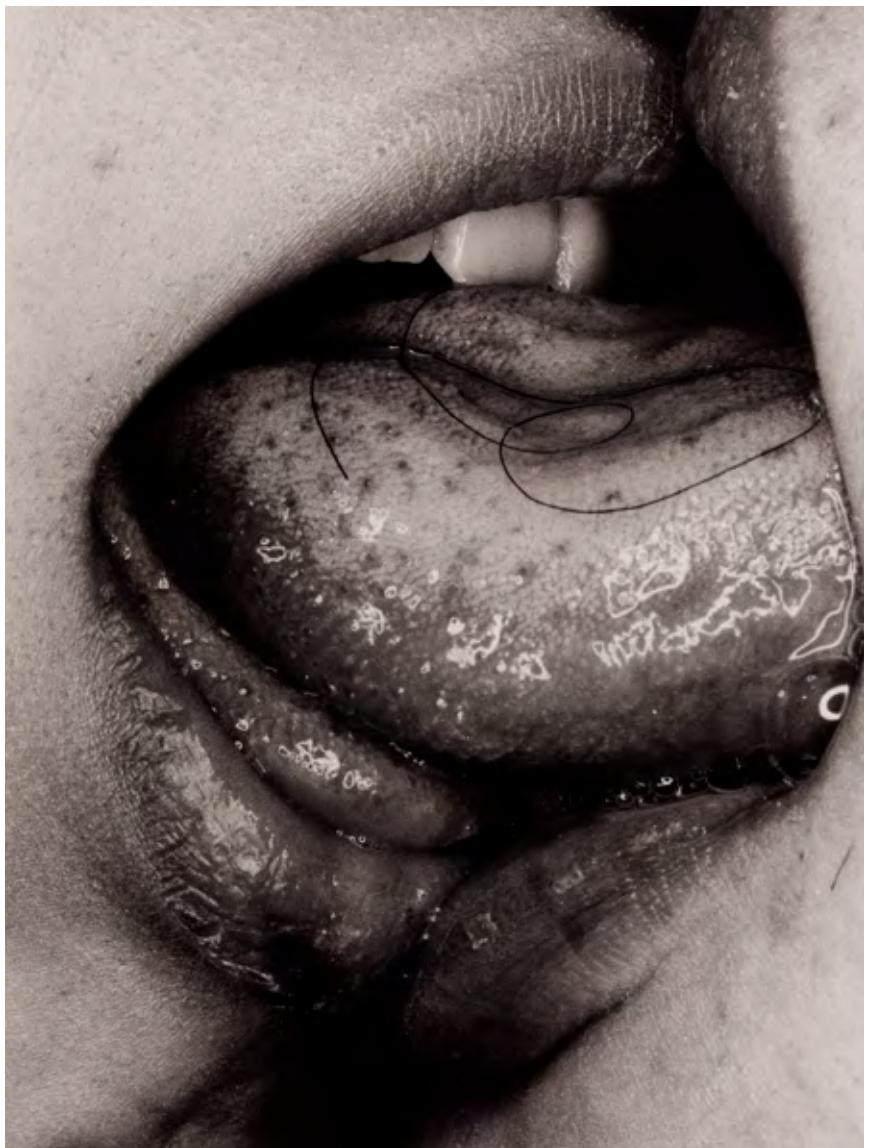


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Ka-in, 1990s
Archive pigment print, printed later,
c. 59 x 74 cm (c. 61 x 78 cm), signed
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a34
Flower-Angel, 1990
Archive pigment print on Washi, printed later,
109 x 72 cm (112 x 77 cm), signed
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Erotos, 1993



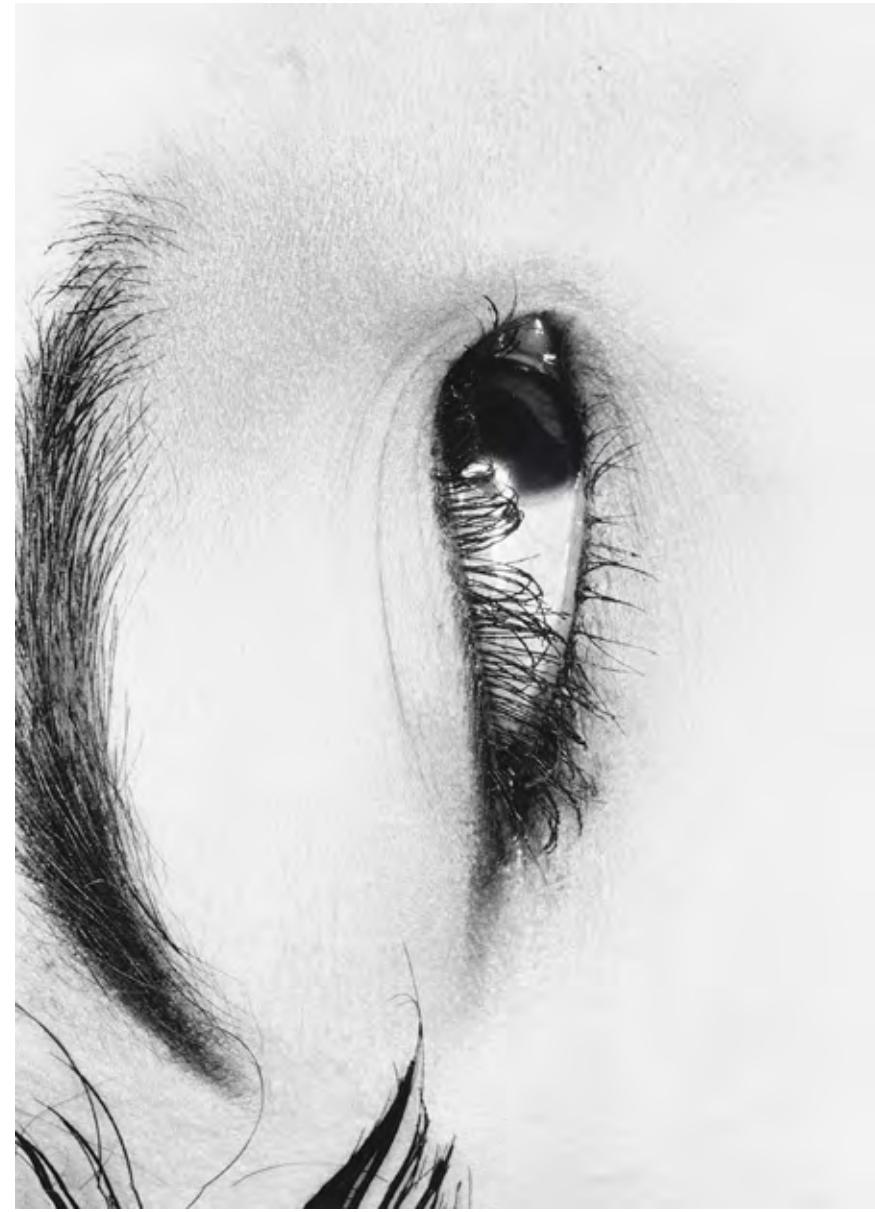
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Untitled,
from the series *Erotos*, 1993
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
c. 40 x 30 (62 x 52.5 cm), signed
Sold



a36
Untitled,
from the series *Erotos*, 1993
Gelatin silver print, early 2000s,
27 x 40.4 (35.5 x 43 cm), signed
11,000 €



a37
Untitled,
from the series *Erotos*, 1993
Platinum print, 2014 (edition of 15),
53,5 x 35 (60 x 50 cm), signed
11,000 €



a38
Untitled,
from the series *Erotos*, 1993
Gelatin silver print, printed later,
53,2 x 35 (60,8 x 50,4 cm), signed
11,000 €

Flowers and Jamorinsky, 2005–2006



All works: Untitled, from the series *Flowers and Jamorinsky*, c. 2005
Chromogenic prints, signed

a39

c. 61 x 76 cm (c. 67.5 x 85 cm)
7,000 €

a40

c. 61 x 76 cm (c. 68 x 85 cm)
6,000 €

a41

c. 66 x 77 cm (c. 76 x 90 cm)
6,000 €



a42

c. 61 x 76 cm (c. 73 x 90 cm)

4,800 €



a43

c. 61 x 77 cm (c. 73 x 91 cm)

4,800 €



a44

c. 61 x 76 cm (c. 68 x 84 cm)

4,800 €



a45

c. 61 x 77 cm (c. 67 x 86 cm)

6,000 €



a46

c. 61 x 76 cm (c. 76 x 90 cm)

6,000 €



a47

c. 66 x 76 cm (c. 73 x 90 cm)

6,000 €



a48

c. 61 x 76 cm (c. 76 x 90 cm)

6,000 €



a49

c. 61 x 76.5 cm (c. 69 x 86 cm)

6,000 €

**53 Overpainted prints from the series
Kinbaku Shamaki, 2006**

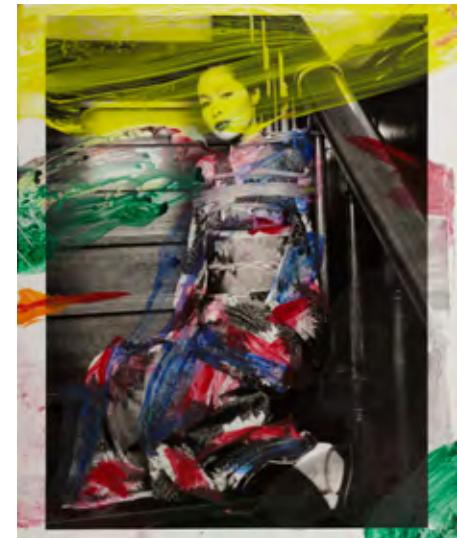
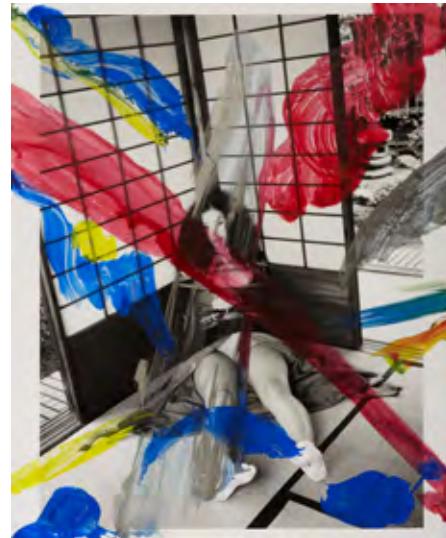


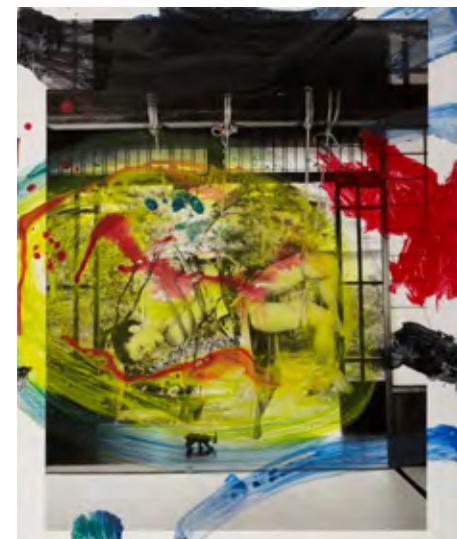
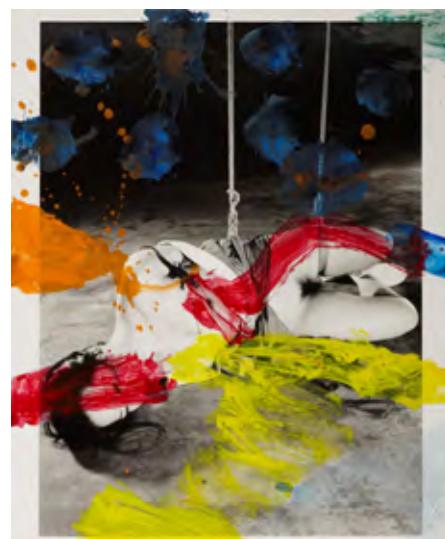
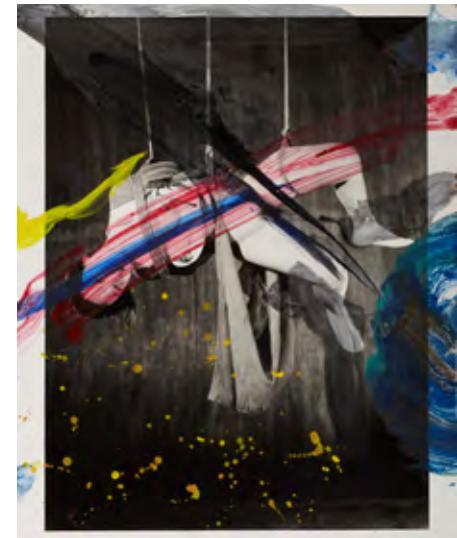
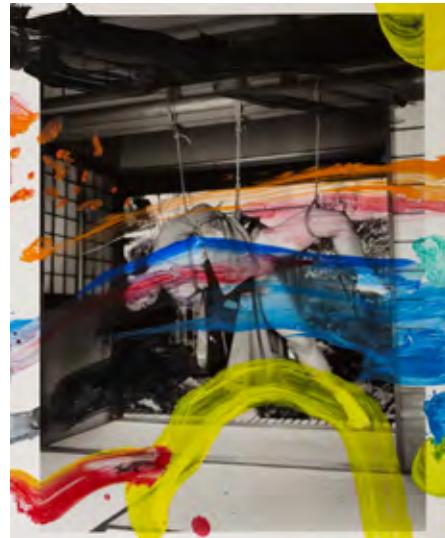
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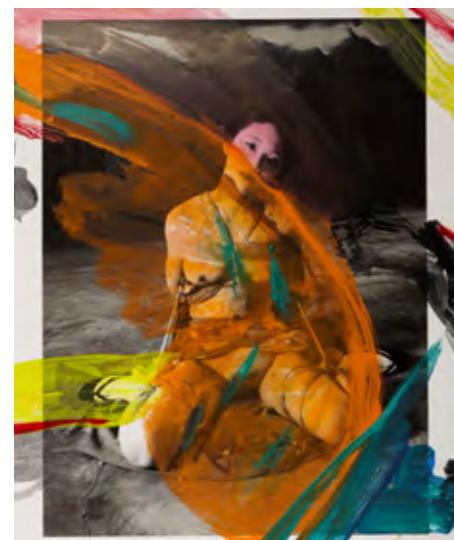
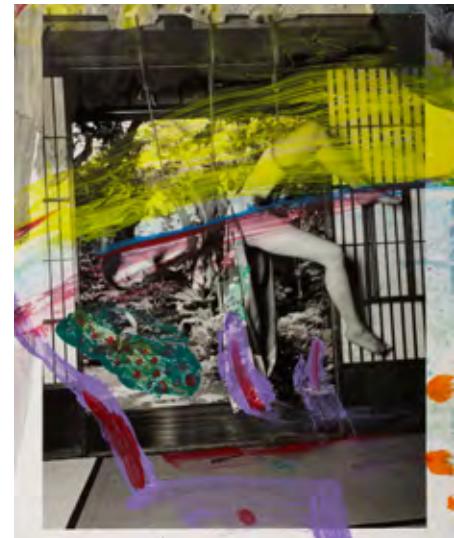
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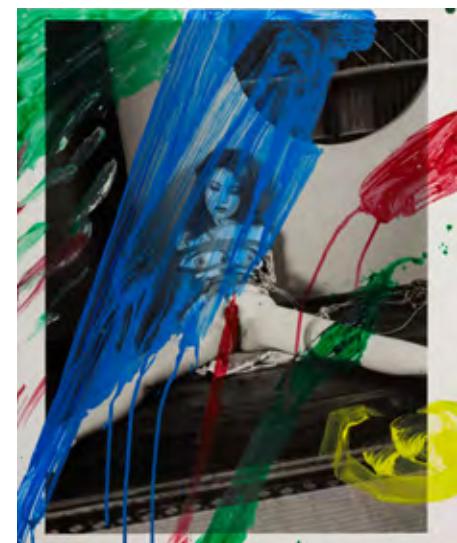
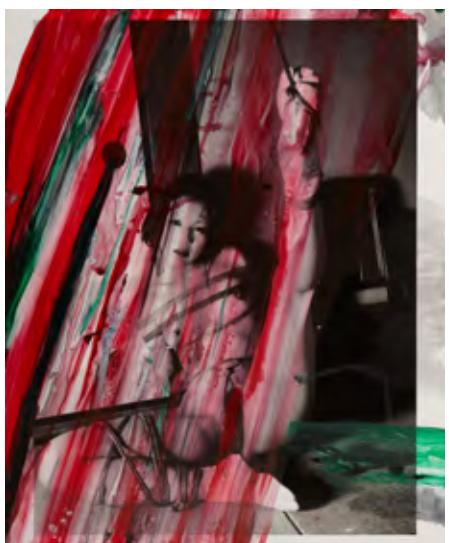
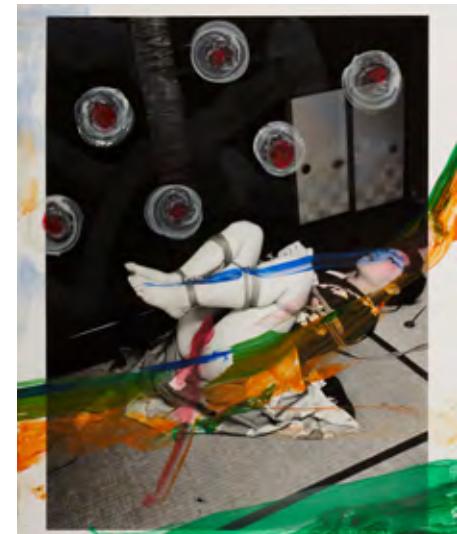
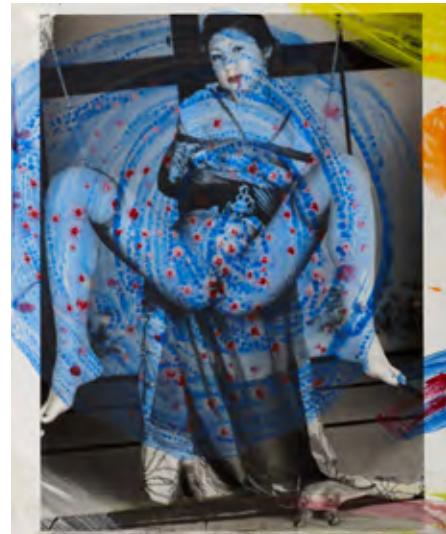
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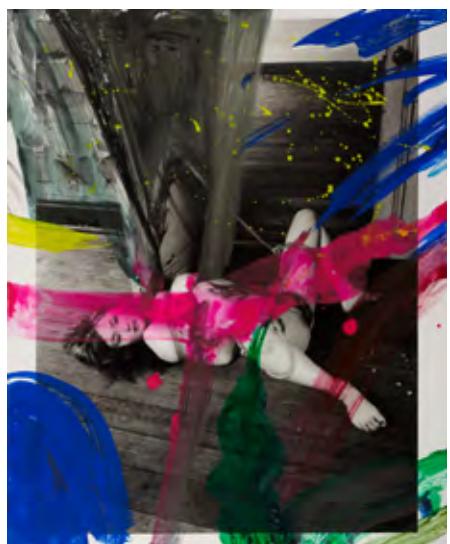
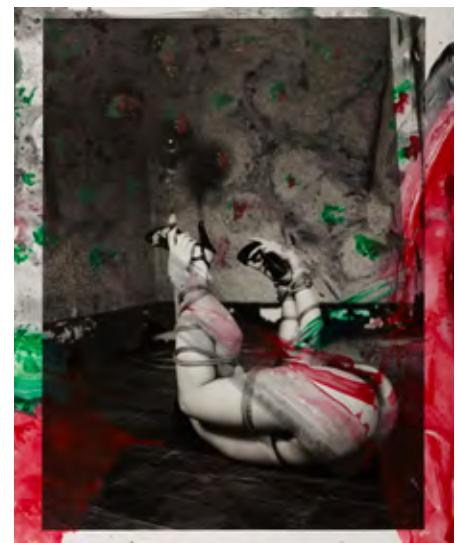














Polaroids, 1980s–1990s



a51
Untitled (collage from 2 prints),
from the series *Polanography*, c. 1995
Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm), signed
Sold



a52



a53 **Sold**

a54



a55

All four: Kinbaku (bondage),
from the series *Polanography*, c. 1985
Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm), signed
1,800 €



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a63

All eight: Kinbaku (bondage),
from the series *Polanography*, c. 1985
Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm), signed
1,800 €



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a71 Sold

All eight: Kinbaku (bondage),
from the series *Polanography*, c. 1985
Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm), signed
1,800 €



a72
Kinbaku (bondage), from the series *Polanography*, c. 1985
Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm), signed
1,800 €



a73
Kinbaku (bondage), from the series *Polanography*, c. 1985
Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm)
1,200 €



AraK

Original size

a74

Kinbaku (bondage), from the series Polanography, c. 1985

Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.8 cm (10.8 x 8.8 cm), signed

1,800 €



AraK!

Original size

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Lady Gaga, 2009

Bondage overpainting

Polaroid SX-70, 7.9 x 7.7 cm, signed

5,500 €

Impossible Polaroids, 2009



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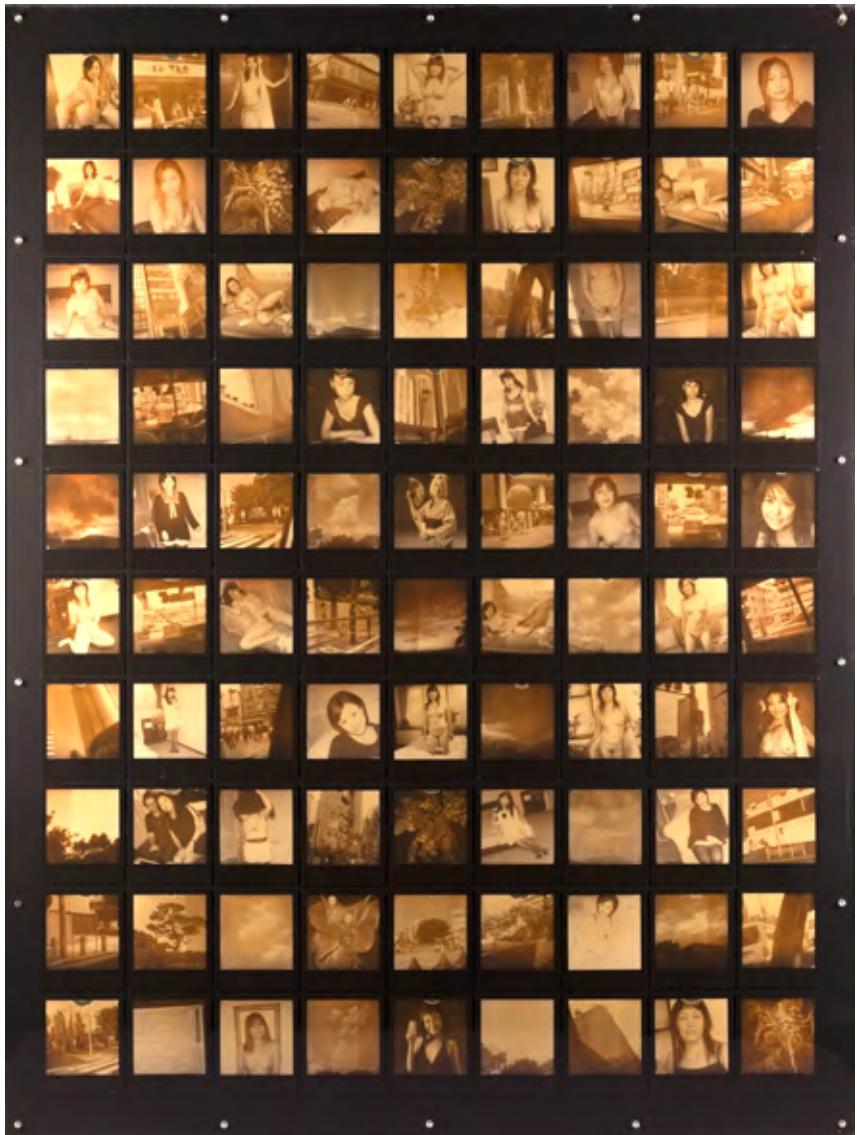
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All four: Kinbaku (bondage),
from the series *Impossible Polaroids*, 2010
Impossible Polaroid PX 100 Silver Shade Sepia,
7.9 x 7.7 cm (10.7 x 8.8 cm), signed
800 €

Tableaus with 90 Impossible Polaroids each, 2012



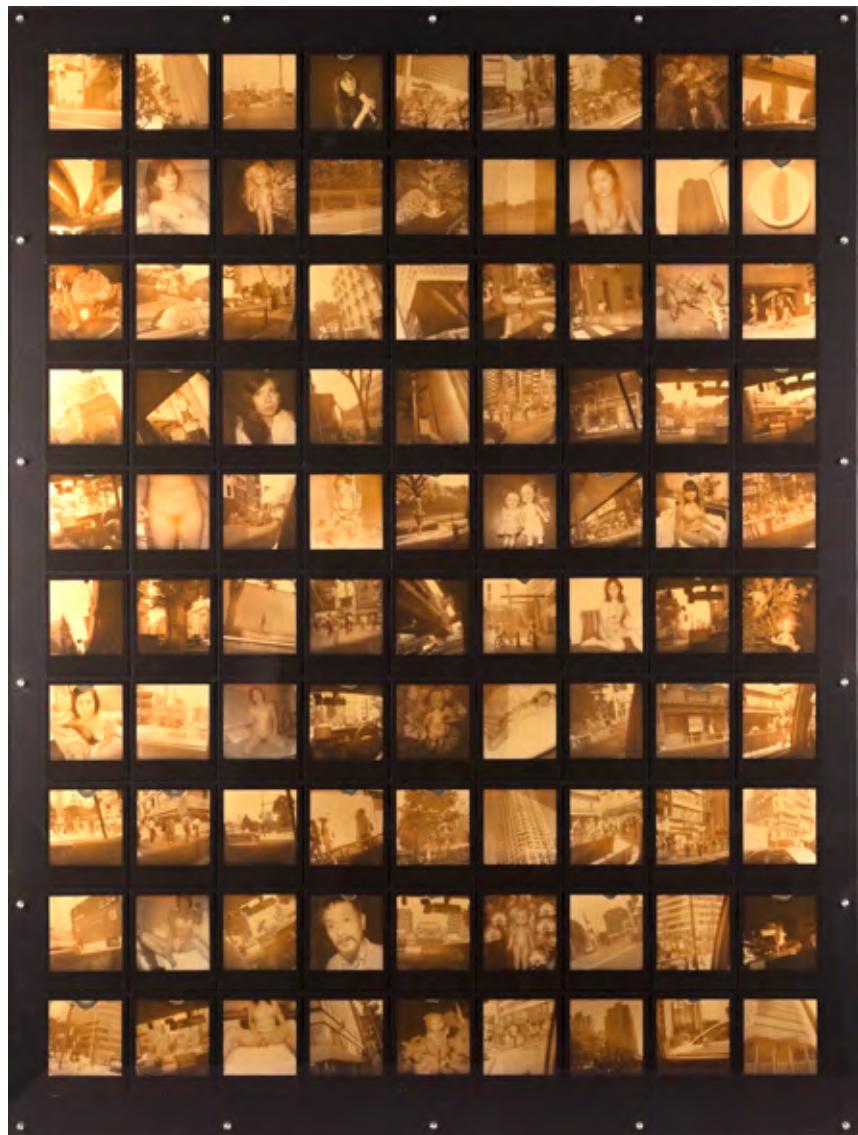
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Untitled, from the series *Tableau with 90 Impossibles*, 2012

90 Instant film Impossible prints, mounted with Plexiglass

120 x 90 cm

18,000 €



a81

Untitled, from the series *Tableau with 90 Impossibles*, 2012

90 Instant film Impossible prints, mounted with Plexiglass

120 x 90 cm

18,000 €

Daraku-en, 2012



a82

Daraku-en, 2012

Digital c-print, 2012, c. 125 x 92 cm (138 x 112 cm)

8,500 €



a83

Daraku-en, 2012

Digital c-print, 2012 , c. 125 x 91 cm (138 x 112 cm)

8,500 €



All works: Daraku-en, 2013

Archive pigment prints, printed later,
each c. 59 x 74 cm (60 x 80 cm), signed

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5,500 €



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5,500 €

a86

5,500 €



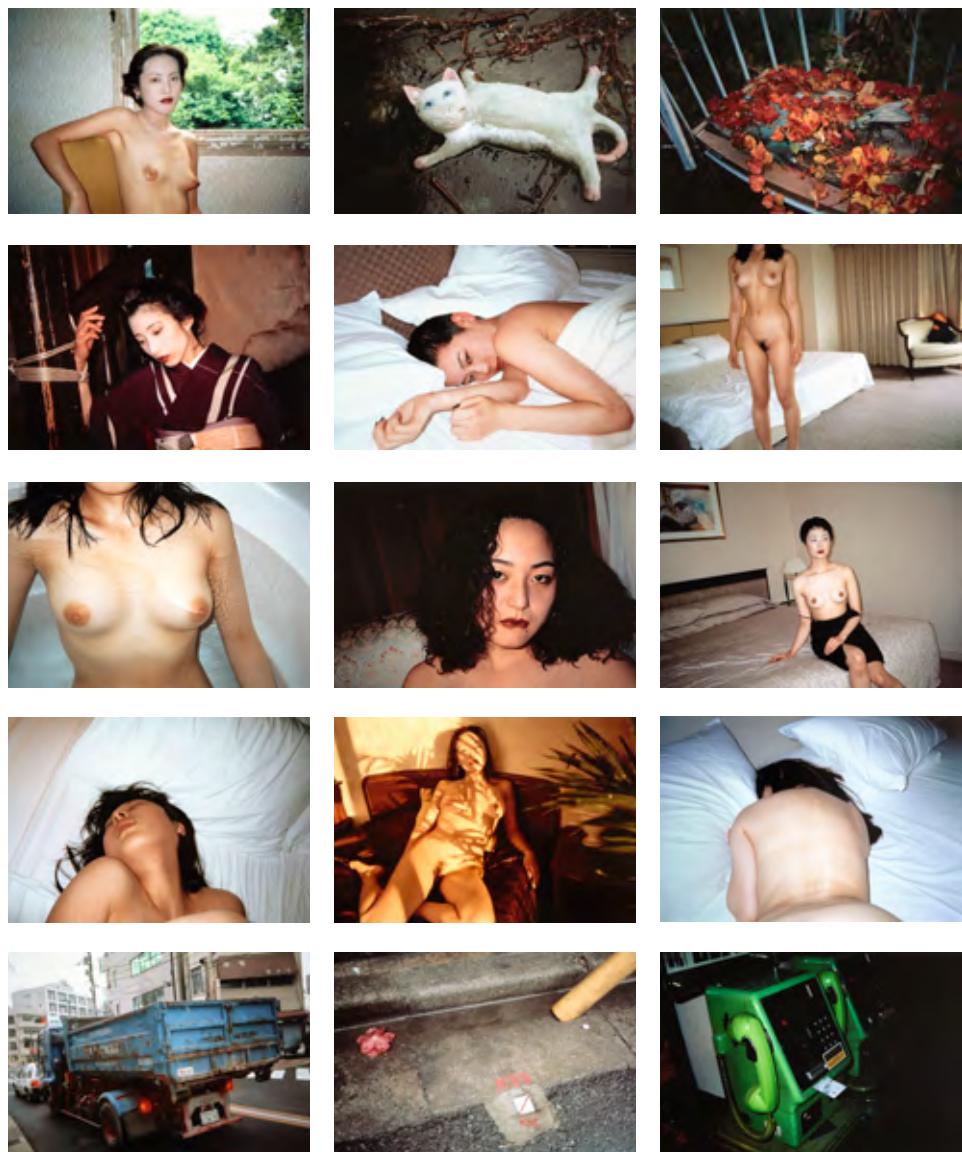
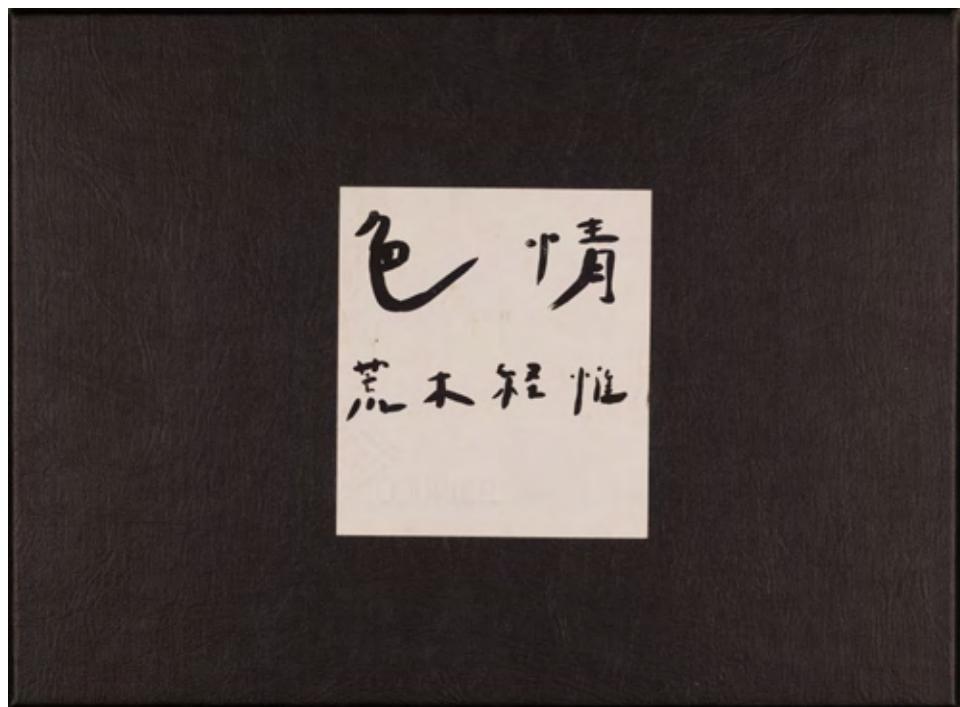
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Sexual Desire Portfolio, c. 1996–2000

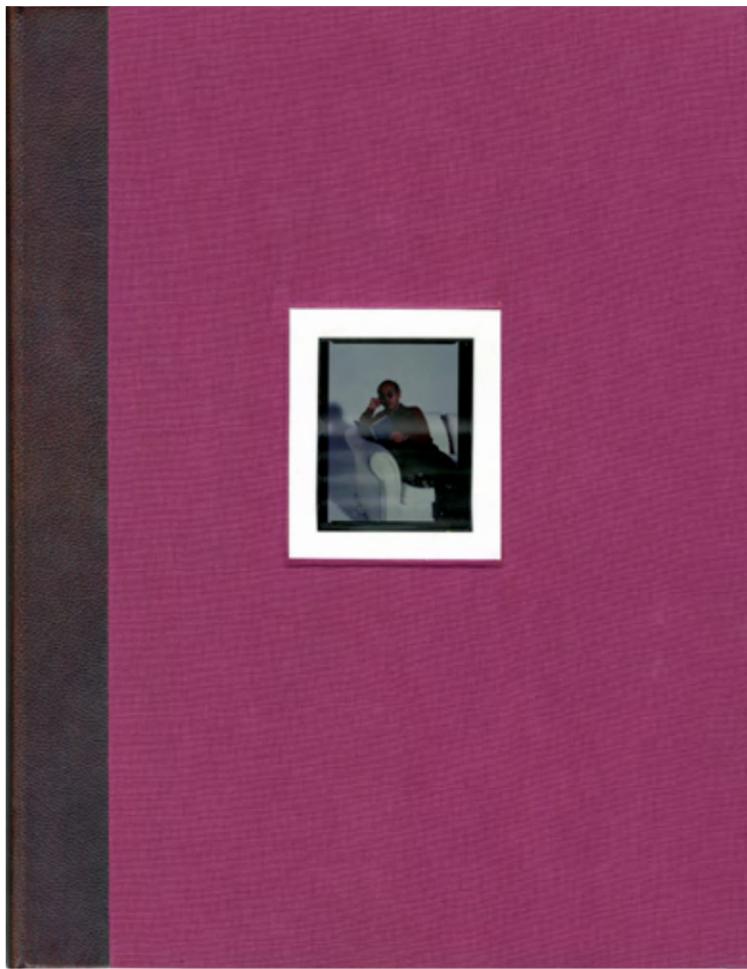


a90

Sexual Desire Portfolio, c. 1996–2000

15 offset prints on watercolor paper, c. 2000,
18.9 x 28.5 cm (22.9 x 30.5 cm),
each signed and numbered,
published by Taka Ishii Editions,
Tokyo, ed. no. 27/30
14,500 € (available only as portfolio)

Book Culture Renaissance, c. 1994



a91

Book Culture Renaissance, c. 1994

Unique 30.5 x 24 x 5.2 cm linen cassette in magenta-red, brown leather spin, including:

1 colour transparency mounted at the cover;

39 vintage silver prints, ca. 21.5 x 19.5 cm (26 x 20.3 cm), in cardboard-covers, 2 copies of the brochure

Book Culture Renaissance,
signed on the cover

55,000 € (available only as set)





Love by Leica, 2006



All works: Untitled, from the series *Love by Leica*, 2006

Gelatin silver prints,
each c. 16.9 x 25.5 cm (27.8 x 35.5 cm), signed

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3,800 €

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4,800 €

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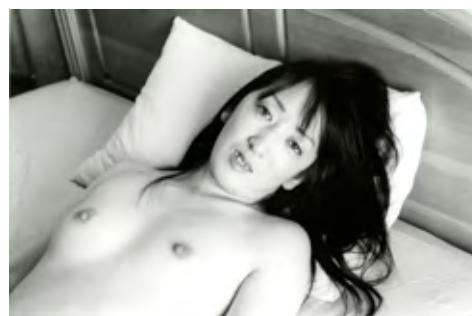
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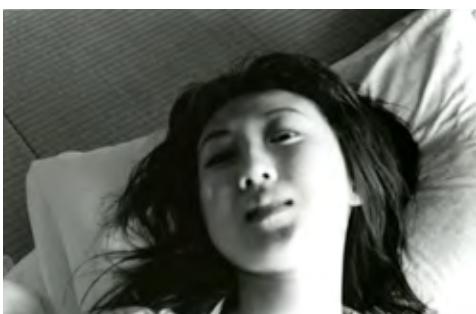
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4,800 €

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Last by Leica, 2012–2014



All works: Untitled, from the series *Last by Leica*, 2012–2014

Gelatin silver prints,
each c. 33.5 x 50.5 cm (49.5 x 59.5 cm), signed

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4,500 €

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3,000 €

a146

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3,500 €

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Sold

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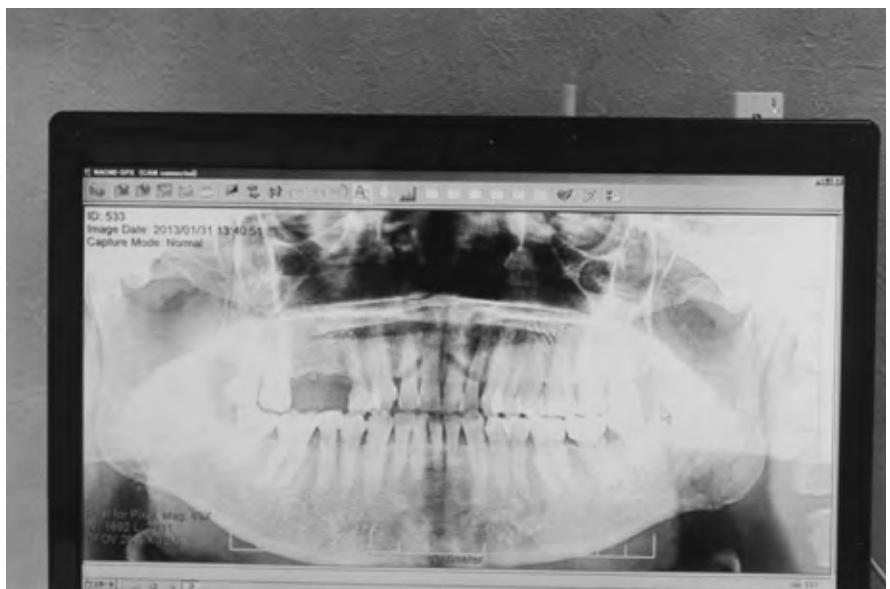
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Paradise, 2020



All works: Untitled, from the series *Paradise*, 2020

Archive pigment prints on Washi paper,
each 113 x 93 cm (122 x 100 cm), signed
6,000 €

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All works: Untitled, from the series *Paradise*, 2020

Archive pigment prints on Washi paper,
each 95 x 77 cm (102 x 82 cm), signed
5,500 €

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67 Shooting Back, 2017



a206

67 Shooting Back, no. 117, 2007

Chromogenic print (Dye coupler), 2008

125,7 x 100,3 cm (128 x 102 cm), signed

14,000 €



a207

67 Shooting Back, no. 125, 2007

Chromogenic print (Dye coupler), 2008

126 x 101,6 cm (128 x 102 cm), signed

14,000 €



a208

67 Shooting Back, no. 226, 2007

Chromogenic print (Dye coupler), 2008

127 x 100.3 cm (128 x 102 cm), signed

14,000 €

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