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Online Zoom Meeting (approx. 1 hour program)

The Work of Shiro Kuramata **A Microcosmos of Memory**

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The Work of Shiro Kuramata: A Microcosmos of Memory Jun. 11 - Aug. 18, 2024 The National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto

Shiro Kuramata (1934–1991) was a designer based in Tokyo during Japan's era of rapid economic expansion. He collaborated with contemporary artists to explore and propose new spatial concepts. Although Kuramata is widely recognized for his interior design work in commercial spaces, such as those created for fashion designer Issey Miyake, he also ventured independently into creating furniture without the intent of mass production. By using experimental materials that aligned with his creative vision, Kuramata's designs broke free from conventional practicality, infusing everyday life with playfulness and deeper contemplation. In the 1980s, he became involved with the Italian design movement known as the Memphis Group, thereby expanding his influence on the international stage.

This presentation will introduce the traveling exhibition *The Work of Shiro Kuramata: A Microcosmos of Memory*, held between 2023 and 2024, featuring gallery installation views from its final venue at the National Museum of Modern Art, Kyoto. Marking the first retrospective in Kyoto in 25 years, the exhibition presented a chronological showcase of Kuramata's iconic pieces, such as *Glass Chair* (1976) and *Miss Blanche* (1988), enriched by Kuramata's own reflections.

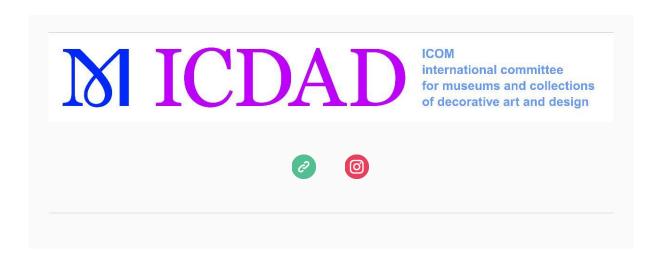


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