

About Kohji Suwa

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I have been a lecturer at the University of Art and many workshops for many years, and has worked as a photographer in commercial photography, magazines, etc., and has written manuscripts about photography in photographic magazine. From 2003 to 2014, I have launched a project to disseminate the culture of photography as art to Japan, and have also done activities.

For a long time I took the attraction of natural architectural beauty such as roots of tree, and rocks. Now I will present a vision that exists in my head and express the existence of society and I hope make people's minds connect a better future by my photographs.



Kohji Suwa is a Japanese photographer. Born in 1968, and based on Chiba-Prefecture and Tokyo.

Currently, he works as a director at SAMURAI FOTO while producing university and workshops and produces works.

Director of SAMURAI FOTO

ColorEdge Ambassador (EIZO Corporation)

A lecturer at Kyoto University of Art and Design

A lecturer at Tama Art University

A member of the Camera Grand Prix selection committee (2001-2015, 2019- ,Japan)

■ Personal History

• Jul.3,1968

Born in Tokyo-Japan in Jul. 3rd, 1968

• 1985-1987 Studying a photography 1

Meet photographer Masanori Marubayashi, and I was instructed by him. I awarded several photographic contests

• 1986-1989 Studying a photography 2

I studied photography at Nihon University college of art, course of photography.

During this time, I also studied independently on fine printing processes, zone system, archival processes, etc.

• **1989 Started activity as photographer**

I started activities as a freelance photographer.

• **1992 Starting digital process**

Start creating works in digital process

• **1993 Start teaching a photography**

I started teaching photography at camera makers and private

• **1998 Japan Digital Camera of the Year**

Served as a selection committee member of "Japan Digital Camera of the Year", Q1-Q2 and Q3-Q4

• **2001-2015, 2019- Camera GP Japan**

Served as a selection committee member of "Camera GP Japan"

• **2016 Adobe Max Japan 2016**

Talk at Adobe Max Japan 2016.

■ Media Appearance

• **2003 Feb. Christelle Ciari's FM Radio Program "DO YOUR STURDAY!"**

Appeared on FM radio program "DO YOUR STURDAY!" of Christelle Ciari's. (J-WAVE:Japan)

• **2003 Mar. Nikkei News Paper**

Appeared on Nikkei News Paper.I got an interview from Nikkei News Paper. (Nihon Keizai Shimbun:Japan)

• **2005 Jun. Nikkei News Paper**

Appeared on Nikkei News Paper.I got an interview from Nikkei News Paper. (Nihon Keizai Shimbun:Japan)

• **2005 Sep. Tokyo Shinbun (News Paper)**

Appeared on Japanese new paper "Tokyo Shinbun". My work project "Kon-Yo" was introduced.

• **2005 Sep. Chunichi Shimbun (News Paper)**

Appeared on Japanese new paper "Chunichi Shimbun". My work project "Kon-Yo" was introduced.

• **2010 Mar. "The Japan Tour of Photographers" : TV Program**

Appeared on Japanese TV Program "The Japan Tour of Photographers". This program aired on March 20. (BS-Japan)

• **2010 Mar. "The Japan Tour of Photographers" : TV Program**

Appeared on Japanese TV Program "The Japan Tour of Photographers". This program aired on March 27. (BS-Japan)

• **2010 May. RANGE ROVER VOGUE campaign TV CM**

Appeared on RANGE ROVER VOGUE campaign TV CM (Japan).