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松江泰治  
TAIJI MATSUE

地名事典  
gazetteer

December 8, 2018  $\supset$  February 24, 2019

Hours : 10:00-17:00 (Last admission 16:30)

Closed : Mondays (except December 24, January 14 and February 11) and

December 25, from December 27 to January 1, January 15 and February 12

Admission : Adults 1,000 (800) yen, University students 700 (600) yen, High school students and Seniors (65 and over) 500 (400) yen

\*Figures in parentheses : Advance purchase and groups of 30 or more \*Junior high school students and younger : Free admission

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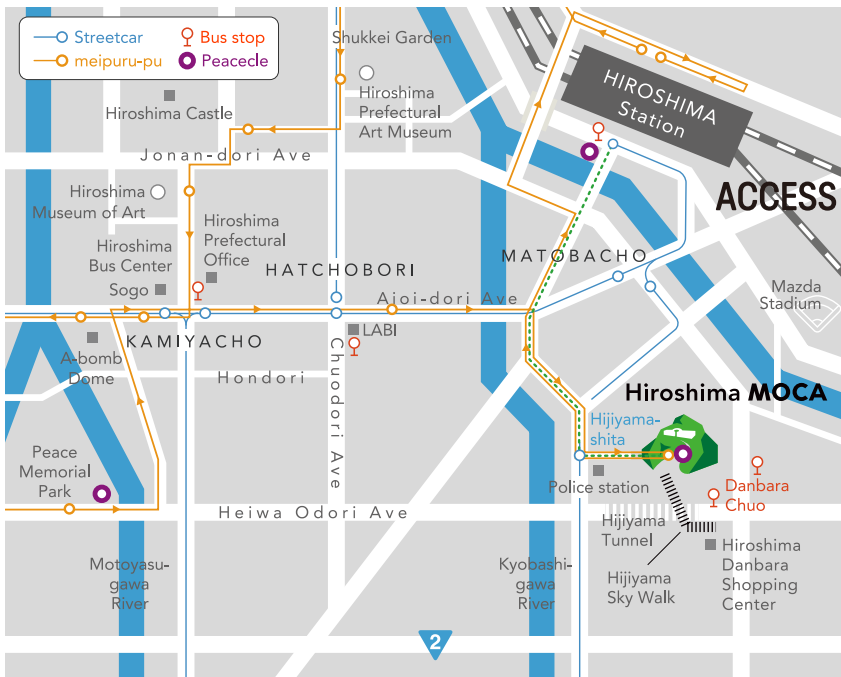
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Over the years, Taiji Matsue (born in Tokyo in 1963) has traveled all over the world and taken photographs of various areas. Matsue has persistently focused on the surface of the land or earth, including mountains with exposed rocks, woodlands with a thick growth of trees, cities with rows of high-rise buildings, and streets lined with old houses. By omitting horizon lines from his compositions and following a self-imposing rule that he always shoot in direct light to avoid producing shadows, Matsue has constantly pursued a planar quality that is the true essence of photography. In this way, he carefully eliminates contrast, depth, and any distinction between the center and the periphery, to create pictures in which all of the visible elements are treated equally.

Matsue, who has produced monochrome photographs since the 1980s, made his first color photo book in 2005. While incorporating new techniques, which are constantly changing due to technological advances, including new types of photographic equipment and developing methods, Matsue has continually endeavored to create new kinds of photographs. The titles of his works make use of geographical names and city codes. This exhibition, *gazetteer* (i.e., an index of geographical information), serves as the first retrospective of Matsue's career. It systematically presents Matsue's work, a collection of photographs bearing the names of places throughout the world, from his earliest to his most recent efforts.



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#### Access

##### STREETCAR

From Hiroshima Station:  
 Line 5, Get off at "Hijiyama-shita" Streetcar Stop.

##### BUS

From Hiroshima Station (From Stop #5 and #7):  
 Bus #26-1 for "Asahimachi," #5-1 for "Daigaku Byoin" or #31 for "Ken Byoin"  
 Get off at "Danbara-chuo." Turn right at the Danbara-chuo intersection.  
 Take the Hijiyama Skywalk from Hiroshima Danbara Shopping Center.  
 The museum is 200 meter from the end of the Hijiyama Skywalk.

From Hatchobori (Chuo-dori, LABI Hiroshima-mae):  
 Bus #23-1 for "Daigaku Byoin" from "Yokogawa Station"  
 via "Kamiyacho (Prefecture Offices)."  
 Get off at "Danbara-chuo." Take the Hijiyama Skywalk from Hiroshima  
 Danbara Shopping Center.  
 The museum is 200 meter from the end of the Hijiyama Skywalk.

##### HIROSHIMA Sightseeing Loop Bus "Hiroshima meipurpu"

[Orange Route]  
 Get off at Gendai-Bijutsukan-mae.  
<https://www.chugoku-jrbus.co.jp/teikan/meipurpu/en/>

##### Hiroshima City Rental Cycle Peacecle (Bicycle Sharing)

"Peacecle" is an automated "Point-to-point" Bicycle rental servise  
 available at more than 20 stations throughout Hiroshima city.  
<http://docomo-cycle.jp/hiroshima/en/>

##### Walk

From Hiroshima Station:  
 About 30 min. (1.8 km)

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