

## Fujii Kansuke

## Profile

In 1947, Kansuke Fujii was born in present Tamba city, Hyogo Prefecture. After graduated from Sannan Wada Public Junior High School in 1963, Fujii was determined to be a painter and apprenticed to Yataro Masunaga in Kyoto. In 1974, Fujii began independent study of Japanese and Sumie painting. In 1981 Fujii started to study under Hitoshi Komatsu (1902-1989), who was called a master of Japanese Sumie painting. In 1988, Fujii's painting <The Rains on a Vale> won a prize in Sumie department of Exposition Franco-Japonais de Beaux Arts Contemporains. In the same year, Fujii held his first solo exhibition in Tokyo. One of his famous series is <Mashira>, paintings of Japanese macaque monkeys. Fujii uses various materials and techniques, such as foil, Chinese ink, pencil sketch, water colour painting. In Kyoto, Fujii has worked on his painting with great energy.