

IEDE TAKAHIRO (B. 1962)

Born in Fukui Prefecture in 1962, lede Takahiro is one of Japan's most celebrated contemporary metal artists with his striking vessels being dazzling examples of his innovative metal-weaving technique. lede takes inspiration from traditional Japanese bamboo basketry, and weaves strips of rigid metal of different colors. He first heats and hammers each strip so that it is crimped along its length, conforming to the shape it will take in the finished piece, then weaves the form of the vessel, starting from the centre. In 2016, he received the Medal of Purple Ribbon for Artistic Achievement from the Japanese government.

SELECTED AWARDS AND EXHIBITIONS

2020 Japanese Metalwork Exhibition, Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, US

Palm Beach Modern + Contemporary, FL, US

Asia Week New York, US

2019 Japan Traditional Kogei Exhibition, Japan

2017 TEFAF New York, US

2016 Spring Masters, New York, US

SELECTED PUBLIC COLLECTIONS

Agency for Cultural Affairs | Japan National Museum of Modern Art | Tokyo, Japan National Museum Wales | United Kingdom Manchester Art Gallery | United Kingdom



Vessel Ritsu (Rhythm), 2019, metal weaving of shakudo, shibuichi and silver; h. $6 \times w$. $6 \cdot 1/4 \times d$. $6 \cdot 3/8$ in. (15.5 $\times 16 \times 16.2$ cm)



Container Kotodama (The Spirit of Language), 2018; metal weaving of shakudo, shibuichi and silver; h. 7 1/4 x dia. 9 7/8 in. (18.5 x 25 cm)