

# FIELD TRIP PROJECT

A unique Canada-Japan cultural exchange and exhibition in honour of relief efforts related to the 2011 tsunami.

Curator: Daisuke Takeya

After the devastating earthquake and tsunami hit North Eastern Tohoku, Japan in March 2011, there was a tremendous outpouring of relief aid from across Japan and around the world, including new and gently used school supplies. The schools were overwhelmed, and their needs were fulfilled many times over, making it necessary to recycle or discard redundant donations. Japanese born, Canadian-based artist and curator Daisuke Takeya managed to have a small number of the redundant elementary school backpacks set aside and conceived of the *FIELD TRIP project* in which 70 artists (35 from Canada and 35 from Japan) were commissioned to transform the backpacks into works of art. He joined forces with Onagawa-based art teacher Chie Kajiwara to create a clever, beautiful and very portable travelling exhibition designed to engage communities in the affected areas in a new and positive way.

By displaying the artworks in unusual, very public venues, the exhibition has attracted many visitors who were directly affected by the tsunami, and encouraged them to join others in their communities to participate in the inter-active components of the show. The exhibition completes its highly successful 18 month Japanese tour at the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo, and marks the 3rd anniversary of the tsunami with its Canadian debut at Idea Exchange Design at Riverside.

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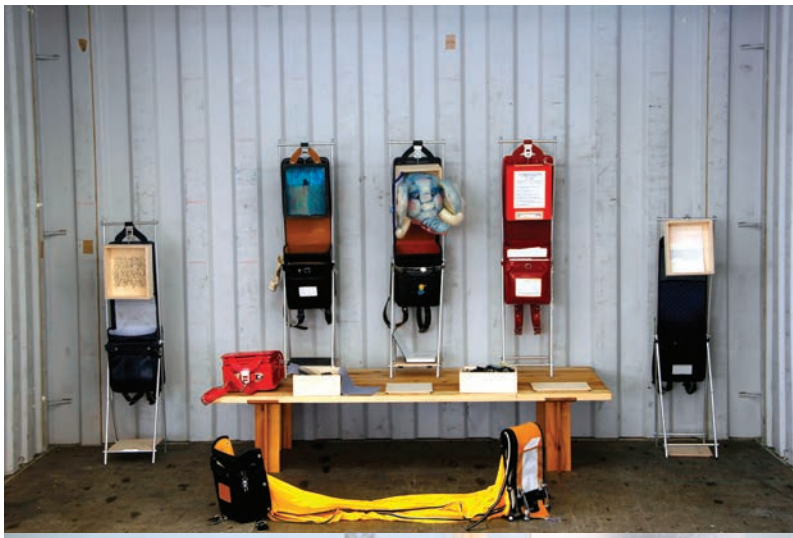


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# JAPAN

Yusuke Asai  
 Ichiro Endo  
 Atsushi Fukunaga  
 Miwako Hashimoto  
 Kae Higuchi  
 Tomoko Inagaki  
 Yoshiaki Kaihatsu  
 Akitaka Kamijo  
 Masamitsu Katsu  
 Parco Kinoshita  
 Takayoshi Kitagawa  
 Chie Koda  
 Tomoko Konoike  
 Kotakeman  
 Junko Maruyama  
 Hiroko Masuko  
 Hiroyiuki Matsukage  
 Kensuke Miyazaki  
 Chiharu Mizukawa

Takahide Mizuuchi  
 Satoshi Murakami  
 Takashi Murakami  
 Kengo Nakamura  
 Keijiro Niino  
 Norio Nishihara  
 Kiyoko Sakata  
 Risa Sato  
 Michiari Saito  
 Izumi Sakamoto  
 Yoshiko Shimada  
 Tanotaiga  
 Kyoco Taniyama  
 Noboru Tsubaki  
 Michiko Tsuda  
 Koichi Watanabe/  
 Fukushima University

# CANADA

Dean Baldwin  
 Katie Bethune-Leamen  
 Diane Borsato  
 Atanas Bozdarov  
 Annie Onyi Cheung  
 Emelie Chhangur  
 Shannon Cochrane  
 Miles Collyer  
 Brett Despotovich  
 Jérôme Havre  
 Hanna Hur  
 Selena Lee  
 Derek Liddington  
 Dyan Marie  
 Alex McLeod + Krystle Tabujara  
 John McMinn + Melana Janzen  
 Tibi Tibi Neuspiel  
 Tom Ngo  
 Marc Ngui + Magda Wojtyra  
 (aka Happy Sleepy)  
 Jenn E Norton  
 Juliana Pivato  
 Geoffrey Pugen

Aleksandra Rdest  
 Tanya Read  
 Scott Rogers  
 Jon Sasaki  
 Camilla Singh  
 smfoundation  
 (Shinobu Akimoto  
 & Matt Evans)  
 Fiona Smyth  
 Josh Thorpe  
 Michael Toke  
 David Trautrimas  
 The Doodlers  
 (Christina Chow, Amina Lalor,  
 Stanley Sun, and Joon Yang  
 of Waterloo Architecture and  
 Leila Moslemi)  
 Douglas Walker  
 XXXX Collective  
 (Shannon Garden-Smith,  
 Corrie Jackson, Emily  
 Smit-Dicks and Polina Teif)

**The Field Trip Project includes  
 70 artists and designers,  
 35 from Japan and 35 from Canada.**