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Tadanori Yokoo museum to open in November in Kobe

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A museum dedicated to the works of contemporary Japanese artist Tadanori Yokoo will open Nov. 3 in the western Japan port city of Kobe with more than 3,000 paintings, prints and other works donated or entrusted by the artist himself, the Hyogo prefectural government said Saturday.

The four-story facility, housed in a renovated pavilion belonging to a prefectural museum, will have exhibition rooms on the second and third floors while the first or ground floor will be an open studio for events for children and the fourth floor a base for research and studies of Yokoo's works, it said.

A native of Nishiwaki city in the prefecture, Yokoo won fame when he was awarded the Grand Prize for Prints in 1969 at the 6th Paris Youth Biennale. He received the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette in the spring of 2011 as one of Japan's most successful graphic designers and artists.

His works provided are estimated to be worth billions of yen combined, the local government said.



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