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1990-2017 Professor, College of Fine Arts, Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea

2009-2011 Director, Hongik Museum of Art, Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea

2008-2010 Dean, College of Fine Arts, Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea

2007-2008 Director, Hongik University Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
Specialist of the Cultural Heritage Committee, South Korea

2005-2007 President, Korea Furniture Society

2000-2002 Director, Institute of Art & Design, Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea

1989 Visiting Professor, Rhode Island School of Design, Providence, RI

1988 Research Professor, Aalto University, School of Art and Design,  
Helsinki, Finland

1979 M.F.A, Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea

1974 B.F.A, Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea

1952 Born in Kangwondo, South Korea

**Public Collections**

Busan Museum of Art, Busan, South Korea

Chung Wa Dae, Office of the President, Republic of Korea

Daegu University Museum, Daegu, South Korea

Four Seasons Hotel, Seoul, South Korea

Hongik University Museum, Seoul, South Korea

Korean Crafts Council, Seoul, South Korea

Korean Culture and Art Foundation, Seoul, South Korea

Leeum, Samsung Museum of Art, Seoul, Korea

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY  
Musée des Arts Décoratifs, Paris, France  
Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, TX  
National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, Seoul, South Korea  
Seoul Art Center-Design Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
Sun Jae Museum, Kyungju, Korea  
Total Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
UN Secretariat International Organization, Geneva, Switzerland  
Vitra Design Museum, Weil am Rhein, Germany

### Select Solo Exhibitions

- 2017 *Matter and Mass*, Gana Art Center, Seoul, Korea
- 2016 *Eternite & Instant*, galerie DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France  
*Water Meditation*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
- 2014 *In One Stroke*, Friedman Benda, New York, NY
- 2012 Yido Gallery, Seoul, Korea
- 2011 *Choi, byuung hoon*, Johyun Gallery, Pusan, Korea
- 2010 gallery DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France
- 2008 Hangil Gallery, Heyri Art Valley, South Korea  
gallery DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France
- 2007 *Seoul Living Design Fair*, COEX, Seoul, South Korea
- 2006 gallery DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France
- 2002 Johyun Gallery, Pusan, South Korea
- 2001 gallery DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France
- 2000 *Choi, byung hoon*, Johyun Gallery, Pusan, South Korea
- 1999 Ellen Kim Murphy Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
- 1997 gallery DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France

- 1996 gallery DOWNTOWN françois laffanour, Paris, France
- 1995 Gallery Pusan, Pusan, South Korea
- 1994 *Seoul Art Fair*, Sun Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
- 1993 Sun Gallery, Seoul, South Korea

### Select Group Exhibitions

- 2016 *DOWNTOWN@MC II*, Galerie 11 Columbia, Monaco, France  
*Korea Now! Korean Crafts & Design in Munich 2016*, Bayerische  
*Making is Thinking is Making, La Triennale di Milano*, Milan, Italy  
Nationalmuseum, Munich, Germany
- 2015 *Korea now! Design, Craft, Fashion and Graphic Design in Korea exhibition*, Musée des Arts  
décoratifs, Paris, France
- 2014 *National Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art*, Seoul, South Korea  
*Vanities: Art of the Dressing Table*, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
- 2013 The Page Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
*Gwangju Design Biennale*, Gwangju, South Korea
- 2012 *Design Miami Basel*, Basel, Switzerland  
*Hand of Dreaming*, Gallery Wooduk, Seoul, South Korea  
*Design Days Dubai*, Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
*Flow*, Hongik Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea
- 2011 *Curator Project*, Hongik Museum of Art, South Korea  
*TABLE+booktopia*, Heyri, South Korea  
*KIAF*, Seoul, South Korea  
*Design Miami Basel*, Basel, Switzerland  
*Chung-A Art Center Grand Opening*, Chung-A Art Center, Seoul, South Korea  
*Pavillon des Arts et du Design*, Grand Palais, Paris, France
- 2010 *Design Miami*, Miami, FL  
*Seoul Design Fair*, Seoul, South Korea  
*ART GWANGJU*, Gwangju, South Korea  
*Design Miami Basel*, Basel, Switzerland  
*Contemporary Korean Design*, R20th Century Gallery, New York, NY  
*Moments in Between*, Museum of Vancouver, Canada

- 2009 *Design Miami*, FL  
FIAC, Paris, France  
*Design Art London*, London, UK  
*The Seoul Art Exhibition*, Seoul Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*OUTDOOR FURNITURE*, Lio Gallery, Heyri Art Valley, South Korea  
GaNa Art Center, Seoul, South Korea  
*Le Salon du Collectionneur*, Grand Palais, Paris, France  
*DESIGN High*, Gallery Seomi, Seoul, South Korea  
*Design Miami*, Basel, Switzerland  
*Pavillon des Arts et du Design*, Grand Palais, Paris, France  
TEFAF Maastricht, The Netherlands
- 2008 *Seoul Design Olympiad*, Seoul, South Korea  
*Design Miami*, Basel, Switzerland  
*GyeongGi International Ceramic Fair*, Kintex, Seoul, South Korea  
*Wood Scent of Daily Life*, Gallery Wooduk, Seoul, South Korea  
*Busan Museum of Art*, Busan, South Korea
- 2007 *Korea Best Design Culture Selection*, Seoul Art Center-Design Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korea International Art Fair*, COEX, Seoul, South Korea  
*Living Object*, Lio Gallery, Heyri Art Valley, South Korea
- 2006 National Museum of Contemporary Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Design Miami*, Miami, FL  
*Modernism: A Century of Style and Design*, New York, NY  
S.O.F.A, New York, NY  
*Busan Biennale*, Busan, South Korea  
*Re-birth of Artist's Hand*, Sun Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korean Art College*, Ansan, South Korea
- 2005 *Chongju International Craft Biennale*, Chongju, South Korea
- 2004 *Korean Art College Professor's Work*, Ansan, South Korea
- 2003 *Korea International Art Fair*, COEX, Seoul, South Korea  
DURU Art space, Seoul, South Korea  
*Art Bench Marking*, A Korean-Swiss Cultural Project, Seoul, South Korea
- 2002 *Seoul Design Festival*, Art Center, Seoul, South Korea
- 2001 *Art Chicago*, Park Ryu Sook Gallery, Chicago, IL  
*The Good Design Festival*, COEX, Seoul, South Korea

- Mannam*, Korean Craft Promotion Foundation, Seoul, South Korea
- 2000 *Melbourne Art Fair*, Melbourne, Australia  
*San Francisco International Art Exposition*, San Francisco, CA  
*Art London*, Buschlen Mowatt, London, U.K.  
*Art Palm Beach*, Buschlen Mowatt, Palm Beach, FL  
*Art Miami*, Park Ryu Sook Gallery, Miami, FL  
*Seoul Craft Exhibition*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Craft+Furniture Exhibition*, Gallery Doll, Seoul, South Korea  
*New Millennium*, Gallery Mok Kum To, Seoul, South Korea
- 1999 *Art Cologne*, Cologne, Germany  
*Chongju International Craft Biennale*, Chongju, South Korea  
*Decoration & Design*, Verona, Italy  
*Korean Contemporary Art: Trends in the 90's*, Ellen Kim Murphy Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
*Nature and Dialog*, Park Ryu Sook Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
*21st Pre-Vision Furniture Design Best 13*, Seoul, Korea  
Gallery Mok Kum To, Seoul, South Korea  
*99 Contemporary Craft*, Gong Pyung Art Center, Seoul, South Korea  
*Seoul Craft*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korean Contemporary Art*, Museum of Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea  
*Eco – Craft*, Mok Kum To Gallery, Seoul, South Korea  
*Good Design*, Gallery Mok Kum To, Seoul, South Korea  
*Seoul Living Design Fair*, COEX, Seoul, South Korea
- 1998 *Basel International Art Fair*, Basel, Switzerland  
*Melbourne International Art Fair*, Melbourne, Australia  
*Decoration & Design*, Verona, Italy  
*Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*International Furniture Fair*, COEX, Seoul, South Korea  
*Contemporary Woodworking Exhibition*, Seoho Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
- 1997 *Decoration & Design*, Verona, Italy  
*Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Objects for Commemorative Days*, Craft House, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korea - Japanese Art Furniture*, Batanggol Museum, Seoul, South Korea  
*Today's Korean Fine Art*, Winter Universiade, Chonju, South Korea
- 1996 *Decoration & Design*, Verona, Italy  
*The 1st Asian Exhibition of Arts and Crafts*, Fukuoka, Japan  
*The Exhibition of The Present and Future of Contemporary Korean Art*, Museum of Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korean - Japanese Contemporary Artists*, Itami, Japan

- Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art  
*Objects for Commemorative Days*, Craft House, Seoul, South Korea
- 1995 *Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea
- 1994 *Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korean-Japanese Contemporary Artists*, Osaka, Kyoto, Japan
- 1993 *Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Korean Contemporary Art*, Museum of Seoul Art Center, Seoul, South Korea
- 1992 *Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea
- 1991 *The Contemporary Arts*, National Museum of Contemporary Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*Seoul Crafts*, Seoul Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea
- 1990 *Contemporary Korean Arts-An Exhibition of Artists in 1990*, Metropolitan Museum of Art, Seoul, South Korea  
*The 3rd International Asian-European Art Biennale*, Ankara, Turkey  
Museum of Seoul Art Center, Seoul, South Korea
- 1989 *The Contemporary Arts*, National Museum of Contemporary Art, Seoul, South Korea
- 1984 *Hongik Contemporary Arts*, Museum of Hongik University, Seoul, South Korea
- 1983 *Korean Wood Crafts*, Korean Cultural Center, Tokyo Japan

## **Awards**

- 2008 Korean Society of Furniture Technology Award
- 2007 Grand Prize, Seoul Living Design Fair Award
- 1996 '96 This Year's Design Award
- 1996 Korean Society of Furniture Technology Award
- 1989 Korean Craft Council Award
- 1987 The 2nd Korean Craft Competition, Grand Prize
- 1973-1981 Special Prize and Accepted, The 22<sup>nd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> National Art Exhibition

## Select Press

### 2019

Lauren Messman, "Museum of Fine Arts, Houston Announces 7 Site-Specific Installations," *The New York Times*, November 6, 2019.

"Eight World Top Collectible Design Galleries," *Design magazine*, no. 496, October 2019.

### 2016

"First came carbon Fiber, then basalt..." *Interior Design: a new twist*, October 2016.

"The Imaginary and The Mystical," *Asian Art News*, October 2016.

"The Imaginary and The Mystical," *World Sculpture News*, Summer 2016.

Williams, Maxwell. "Natural Instinct," *Cultured*, Spring 2016.

### 2015

Marianne Serra, "Paris Calling," *Morning Calm*, November 2015.

"3 Novices: Byung Hoon Choi to exhibit sculptural basalt benches at Design Miami/Basel," *Threenovices*, June 13, 2015.

"Byung Hoon Choi to Exhibit Sculptural Basalt Benches at Design Miami/Basel," *Dezeen*, June 13, 2015.

"basalt benches by byung hoon choi for design Miami/basel," *designboom*, June 12, 2015.

"basalt benches by byung hoon choi for design miami/basel 2015," *Stealmag*, June 12, 2015.

Jana Perkovic, "Preview: 10 Stunning Sculptural Designs at Design Miami/Basel 2015," *Blouinartinfo*, June 3, 2015

Daniella Ohad, "Byung Hoon Choi." *Daniella on Design*, May 27, 2015.

Kolesnikov-Jessop. "Sneak Peek: Design Miami/Basel 2015," *Blouin Artinfo*, April 29, 2015.

### 2014

Lola Kramer, "Eye On: Byung Hoon Choi," *Avant/Garde Diaries*. March 18, 2014.

Nina Azzarello, "Byung Hoon Choi Exhibits 11 Basalt Benches at Friedman Benda," *Designboom*. February 14, 2014.

Kim Min-Jung, "Between Art and Furniture," *Beyond*. February 2014.

Annie Block, Mark McMenamin, and Matthew Powel. "Designwire; A Fine Balance," *Interior Design*. January 2014.

Matthew Powell, Matthew. "Onward and Upward." *Interior Design*, December 2014.

### **2013**

Anne-Marie Conway, Anne-Marie. "Eclectic Avenue," *Wall Street Journal*. October 11, 2013.

Sophie Finney, "Forging a New Craft Aesthetic: Ten Inspiring South Korean Designers," *MSN Lifestyle*. August 1, 2013.

Deyan Sudjic, Deyan. "Kengo Kuma in 5<sup>th</sup> Gwanju Design Biennale," *ARTINFO*. May 8, 2013.

### **2012**

Brooke Hodge, "East Meets West", *Cultured*. Winter 2012.

### **2010**

Kavite Daswani, "Beyond the kimchi jar," *South China Morning Post*. July 23, 2010.

Elaine Louie, "Pushing Korean Design Into the Future," *The New York Times*. February 24, 2010.

### **2007**

"Choi, Byung Hoon," *Designboom*. December 17, 2007.

### **2005**

Simone Micheli, "The idyllic worlds of Byung Hoon Choi", *Ottagono: Design Architettura Idee*. November 2005.

### **2001**

Michèle Champenois, "Design d'époque," *Le Monde*. December 23, 2001.