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Artist Biography

I was born in 1974, in West Palm Beach, Florida (USA) to a Japanese father and an American mother who were both world traveling peace activists during the 1960's. Growing and also as an adult, I have always been moving from place to place and consider myself to be a citizen of the World.

Culturally I have one foot in the US and one in Japan, one hand on my passport and the other pointing to the horizon. I do not believe in borders, boundaries, nationalism or religious strictures.

I believe in people, diversity, points of view, educational and traditional lineage's of thought, unique regional perceptions, cultural dialogue, philosophy and mythologies. I believe that each person and each culture contains the duality of both uniqueness and universality. In 2005 I received a Master of Fine Art in the areas of Digital Printmaking and Photography from the University of Wisconsin, Madison.