

JUNICHI

JAPAN

I was born in September 1989, When I was six, I began drawing while I was visiting New York, I was inspired by the Statue of Liberty. At ten, my first book was published, and I had an exhibition in Tokyo, Japan. Since then, I have had exhibitions all around Japan. When I was twelve, I had an exhibition in New York City, and I think it was well received. In February 2002, I was invited as a young artist to a welcoming reception for U.S. President Bush held at the official house of Japan's Prime Minister. I gave him my book as a present, adding messages of peace for him. When I was fifteen, I was selected to serve as the official artist for the Special Winter Olympics held in February 2005. And I've been continuing to work as an artist. Since 2001, I have drawn posters for Osaka International Ladies Marathon. In 2012, I joined Japan-Korea friendship art exhibition "ICAFF". I draw the main visual for Odakyu department's valentine fair for 10 years. At the same time, I exhibited new art works titled "I LOVE YOU -confession- ". I've been holding peace exhibitions, creating art for print and TV ads, making animation pieces that focus on the environment, and illustrating CD covers. Currently I live in Japan's Hyogo prefecture.