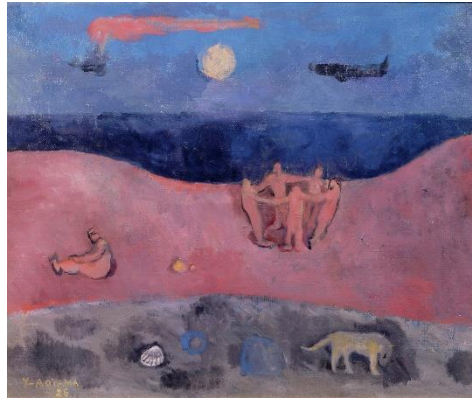


The Yokosuka Museum of Art is delighted to present *Aoyama Yoshio: Following His Glittering Wake*.



The Round Dance on the Beach

1926 The Museum Of Modern Art Kamakura & Hayama

Aoyama Yoshio (1894-1996), whose father served in the Japanese navy, lived in Yokosuka until he was eight. Having aspired to become a painter since his youth, he traveled to France in 1921 and soon had his work selected for the Salon d'Automne. While visiting the south of France to recover from a lung disease, he met Matisse, who praised Aoyama highly, saying, "This man has color!" Continuing his work as a painter, mainly in Paris, he became known for his lyrical style, which continues to resonate with contemporary tastes. In 1930, he sent work to Japan for the Shunyo-kai Art Society Exhibition, attracting notice here as well. After returning to Japan in 1935, the twenty-seven paintings from his years in Europe received great acclaim when specially displayed by the Kokugakai, an organization of Western-style artists. After World War II, however, he returned to his second home, Cagnes-sur-Mer, in the south of France, making that his base as he continued to paint superb landscape paintings.

In 1992, when Aoyama was 98 years old, a retrospective exhibition of more than 60 of his paintings was held at the Yokosuka City Hamayu Hall. Now, a quarter of a century later, the Yokosuka Museum of Art, which opened after that earlier retrospective, is retracing the achievements of this artist, who lived to the ripe old age of 102, through more than a 100 of his works.

Date: February 10 –April 15

Time: 10:00-18:00

Closed: March 5, April 2

Admission: Day ticket (Group of 20 persons or more)

Adults: ¥900 (720)

College Students/ High School students/ Senior over 65: ¥700 (560)

Fifteen and under: Free

*Persons with disability and one person accompanying them are admitted free of charge. *Entry is free for high school students residing in Yokosuka or students attending high school in Yokosuka.

*Including the admission fee for Collection Gallery.