

YUKO AKIYA

Japan



Born in Hokkaido in 1953, Yuko Akiya is a molding artist. In her works she uses stainless steel, which she became familiar with during childhood at the factory in her hometown. She cherishes her inspiration, infusing a sense of balance, the aesthetics of blank space and the art of spatial arrangement that she acquired from flower arrangement. She has exhibited her works at art fairs in Germany and Switzerland.

Below: *Space Warp*

Stainless steel, colored aluminum wire, acrylic fiber

Left: 20 x 21 in. or 51 x 53 cm

Right: 18 x 25 in. or 45 x 64 cm

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Composed of oxidized metallic shapes, colored wires, and transparent tubes, the structure of these abstract reliefs plays with surface and space. Individual elements suggest red and blue blood vessels, molecular configurations, and internal body parts, though the main effect is primarily a decorative exploration of visual form. - Edward Jacobsen / Art Critic

