# **IKUKO KATO**

Multidisciplinary Designer has an entrepreneurial mindset, with Passion in Quality, Sustainability and construction.

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### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Frozen DNA**, London — head designer

June 2021 - PRESENT

Creative direction, Product development, Sourcing

## Wasoukan, London — designer

February 2018 - December 2018

Product development and production management, Visual merchandising

## **COCO KATO**, London — founder/ designer

January 2008 - April 2016

Fashion jewellery design maker, sold in London and Paris prestigious fashion boutiques.

# **Toray Textiles Europe Ltd,** UK — consultant/designer

April 2006 - November 2007

Within the development team, create mood board, garment design, sampling

## **Sweet Pea Jewellery,** London — *designer/production manager*

September 2003 - April 2006

Design and development. Production management and Souring , Liaising customers included in Japan.

## **ISSEY MIYAKE INC**, Tokyo — fashion designer

April 1998 - August 2001

Design and development for jersey and knitwear and accessories. Sourcing, Fittings and Tech pack.

### **EDUCATION**

# Bunka Fashion College, Tokyo, Japan

April 1995 - March 1998

MA (equivalent) Fashion design and Technology

### **SKILLS**

Fashion. accessory and jewellery design and development

Creative direction and mood board

Tech pack

Sourcing, production management

Adobe Illustrator / Photoshop

#### **AWARDS**

BEST DESIGNERS OF THE YEAR awarded by Bunka Fashion College, Tokyo

## **LANGUAGES**

Japanese (Mother's tongue)

English (Fluent)

Italian (Conversation)

### **REFERENCES**

ISSEY MIYAKE, Sweet Pea, Toray textile Europe, SMH Limited, Jianhui London, Wasoukan