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Borderless Sky | Works by Yoshihiro Kitai

Opening Reception: Friday, August 15, 2025 from 5 - 7 PM

Artist Talk: Friday, August 15, 2025 from 6 PM

Exhibition Dates: August 15 – October 24, 2025

Walla Walla, WA – Foundry Vineyards, in partnership with Portland's renowned Froelick Gallery, presents *Borderless Sky*, a solo exhibition by Osaka-born, Portland-based artist Yoshihiro Kitai. Featuring new and selected works from his *Conflux*, *Same Sky*, and *Here Over There* series. The show invites viewers to consider the invisible lines that connect cultures, geographies, and people beneath a single, limitless sky. This exhibition debuts a six-panel work, *Here Over There*, whose modular format allows horizons to be rearranged, underscoring the fluidity of place.



Here Over There 1, 2024, black and white stitching, color screen print, and Gampi chine colle on Semaset paper

Yoshihiro Kitai moved from Osaka to the United States in 1995 and has spent three decades navigating life between cultures, an experience that underpins his practice. He is a Professor and Chair of the BFA Printmaking Department at the Vivian and Gordon Gilkey Printmaking Center at Pacific Northwest College of Art, part of Willamette University. He holds an MFA from Washington University in St. Louis.

Recent Acclaim: Kitai's 2024 exhibition *I am looking at the same sky no matter where I am* garnered critical praise in both Portland and at Washington State University Vancouver for its "quiet insistence on shared perspective."

The show is curated by Lisa Anderson of Foundry Vineyards with guidance from Charles Froelick, whose gallery has represented Kitai for nearly a decade. "Yoshi's work holds space for both awe and stillness," Froelick notes. "It reminds us that the sky belongs to everyone."

About Foundry Vineyards

Established in 2003, Foundry Vineyards is a family-run winery and contemporary art space dedicated to organic wines and quarterly exhibitions that bridge art and community.

About Froelick Gallery

Founded by Charles Froelick in 1995, Froelick Gallery champions a diverse roster of contemporary artists and celebrates its 30th anniversary in October 2025.