

Kimie Nakano

Set & Costume Designer

Kimie is a set and costume designer working across multiple disciplines.

In 2023 she won the Olivier Award for Best Costume Design for *My Neighbour Totoro* for the RSC at the Barbican.



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Credits

In Development

Production	Company	Notes
TRISTAN UND ISOLDE 2026	Longborough Festival Opera	Set and Costume Designer Dir. Carmen Jakobi
MACBETH 2026	Longborough Festival Opera	Set Designer Dir. Karolina Sofulak

Theatre

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PROPER CONDUCT 2026	English National Ballet	Set and Costume Designer Choreo. Kameron N. Saunders Part of 'Body & Soul'

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MY NEIGHBOUR TOTORO 2025	Gillian Lynne Theatre	Costume Designer Dir. Phelim McDermott West End transfer
YOUR LIE IN APRIL 2024	Harold Pinter Theatre / Theatre Royal Drury Lane / Carter Dixon McGill	Costume Designer Dir. Nick Winston
MY NEIGHBOUR TOTORO 2023	Royal Shakespeare Company (Barbican Theatre) / Joe Hisaishi	Revival of sell-out 2022 production
DEATH NOTE: THE MUSICAL 2023	London Palladium / Lyric Theatre	Costume Designer Dir. Nick Winston
MY NEIGHBOUR TOTORO 2022	Royal Shakespeare Company (Barbican Theatre) / Joe Hisaishi	Costume Designer Dir. Phelim McDermott Olivier Award for Best Costume Design
DUST 2022	Akram Khan Company / Finnish National Opera and Ballet	Costume Designer Revival Choreographer - Akram Khan
VERTICAL ROAD 2010 - 2022	Curve; NSCD / The Riley Theatre; National School of Dance Athens; Royal Danish Theatre; VERVE / National School of Contemporary Dance	Costume designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
FALL 2015 - 2022	Ballet Vlaaderen / Opera Ghent; National Ballet of Portugal; Grand Theatre, Geneva	Costume Designer Choreographer - Sidi Larbi Cherkaoui
DUST 2022	Theater Dortmund	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan. Part of 'New London Moves'.
ROUGH GIRLS 2021	Lyric Theatre, Belfast	Costume Designer Dir. Kimberley Sykes
KAASH 2014 - 2021	MC2 Grenoble; Ballet Vlaaderen / Opera Ghent; Institut del Theatre de Barcelona; Stuttgart Ballet / Stuttgart Opera House; Introdans; Stanislavsky Ballet / Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Music Theatre	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
QUTB 2019	Introdans	Costume Designer Choreographer - Sidi Larbi Cherkaoui
THE LADY FROM THE SEA 2019	Kilden Theatre, Fjæreheia	Costume Designer Dir. Birgit Amlalie Nillsen

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OUTWITTING THE DEVIL 2019	Stuttgart Ballet / Avignon Festival	Costume Designer Choreography - Akram Khan
BOY BREAKING GLASS 2018	Sadler's Wells	Costume Designer Choreographer - Alesandra Seutin. For the 20th Anniversary of Sadler's Wells
ALFHILD AGRELLS ARV 2018	Norrdans / Härnösands Theatre	Costume Designer Choreographers - José Agudo, Mari Carraco and Peter Svenzon
MIXED PROGRAMME (BALLET) 2018	Northern Ballet / Leeds Stanley & Audrey Burton Theatre	Set and Costume Designer 'The Shape of Sound' Choreographer - Kenneth Tindall 'Kingdom of Back' Choreographer - Morgann Runacre-Temple 'Manela...' Choreographer - Mlindi Kulashe
THE 3 DANCERS 2015 - 2018	Ballet Rambert / Theatre Royal Plymouth; Introdans / State Theatre, Arnhem	Set and Costume Designer Choreographer - Didy Veldman
XENOS 2018	Onassis Cultural Centre Athens	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
SILK ROAD 2017	Lilian Baylis Studio / Sadler's Wells	Costume Designer Choreographer - Jose Augo
THE LITTLE MERMAID 2017	Northern Ballet	Set Designer Choreographer - David Nixon OBE
360° 2016	Luzerner Theater	Set and Costume Designer Choreographer - Didy Veldman
M-DAO 2016	English National Ballet / Sadler's Wells	Set and Costume Designer Choreographer - Yabin Wang
INTER_RUPTED 2016	National Centre for the Performing Arts, Mumbai	Costume Designer Choreographer- Aditi Mangaldas
QUTB 2016	Sadler's Wells	Costume Design Choreographer - Sidi Larbi Cherkaoui

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A THOUSAND SHEPHERDS 2016	Cape Dance Company / Artscape, Cape Town	Costume Designer Choreographer - José Agudo
TECHNE 2015	Sadler's Wells	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
MOON OPERA 2015	Yabin Dance	Costume Designer Choreographer - Yabin Wang
SHADOW OF MEMORY KWIBUKA 2014	Stade Amahoro	Costume Designer Commemoration ceremony for the 20th anniversary of the Rwanda genocide
TOROBAKA 2014	MC2 Grenoble	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
DUST 2014	English National Ballet / Barbican	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
THE RASHOMON EFFECT / VERTICAL ROAD 2014	National Youth dance Company / Sadler's Wells	Set and Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
TOKAIDO ROAD 2014	Milton Court Studio	Set and Costume Designer Dir. Caroline Clegg
ITMOI 2013	MC2 Grenoble	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan
A THOUSAND SHEPHERDS 2013	ACE, Birmingham	Costume Designer Choreographer - José Agudo
WITHIN 2013	Kamani Auditorium, Delhi	Costume Designer Choreographer - Aditi Mangaldas
THE LITTLE PRINCE 2012	Les Grands Ballets Canadiens de Montréal / Place des Arts Montréal	Set and Costume Designer Choreographer - Didy Veldman
CARLOS ACOSTA: PREMIERES PLUS 2011	Coliseum	Costume Designer Choreographer - Will Tuckett
GNOSIS 2011	Khan Chaudhry Productions	Costume Design Choreographer - Akram Khan

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LA NUIT DU TRAIN DE LA VOIE LACTEE 2011	Theatre de Sartouville et des Yvelines	Set and Costume Designer Dir. Oriza Hirata
THE MUSTARD SEED 2010	Rambert Dance Company / ROH Linbury Theatre	Costume Designer Choreographer - Miguel Altunaga
MURAL STUDIES 2010	Rich Mix	Costume Designer Choreographer - Dam Van Huynh
NOW IS 2010	Delhi	Costume Designer Choreographer - Aditi Mangaldas
TIMELESS 2010	Delhi	Costume Designer Choreographer - Aditi Mangaldas

Opera

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TURANDOT 2022	Grand Theatre, Geneva/Tokyo Bunka Kaikan	Costume Designer Dir. Daniel Kramer
THE RETURN OF ULYSSES 2018	Royal Opera House / Roundhouse	Costume Designer Dir. John Fulljames
TRISTAN UND ISOLDE 2015 - 2017	Longborough Festival Opera	Set and Costume Designer Dir. Carmen Jakobi
CARMEN 2014	Lithuanian National Opera and Ballet	Set and Costume Designer Choreographer - Didy Veldman

Film

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MACBETH 2018		Costume Designer Dir. Kit Monkman
XEN 2018	Illumination / Sadler's Wells	Costume Designer Choreographer - Akram Khan