Ikezawa Natsuki

Ikezawa Natsuki is a novelist, poet, and translator. He was born in Obihiro, Hokkaido in 1945 and grew up in Tokyo.

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His novel "Still Lives" was awarded the Akutagawa prize in 1987. Later he published among others "The Navidad Incident: Downfall of Matías Guili", "Still Lives", "A Burden of Flowers", "Quiet Land", and "Kadena". His works are enlightened reflections on the relation between nature and humans. He often visits the region struck by the disaster of the 2011 Tohoku earthquake, where he took inspiration for the essay "Without hating spring". His novel "The double-headed ship", published after the earthquake, is prayer for the rest of the victims of the earthquake and the recovery of the survivors. With "Atomic Box" he delivered a political thriller about nuclear power. In 2014 he began publication of the 30 volume Natsuki Ikezawa Edited Japanese Literature Series. He has extensively translated Greek films and English essays.