# Celebrating WOMEN LEADERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Komé Collective is a majority female led team and premium importer of craft Japanese saké & spirits



# **WOMEN IN SAKÉ & SPIRITS**

### MIHO IMADA | TOJI OF FUKUCHO

A master brewer recently recognized in the **2020 BBC List of 100 Influential Women** as well as being profiled by Bon Appetit as "quietly brewing some of the best saké in the world". Miho Imada is one of the few female toji in Japan that is taking over the art of saké brewing, an area previously known to have barred female participation. There are around 50 female tojis in Japan. [learn more about Fukucho]

#### MIHO FUJITA | BREWERY PRESIDENT OF YUHO

A career woman from Tokyo with no prior knowledge of saké, Miho Fujita brings her passion of saké to buck traditional production methods in order to brew the saké she personally enjoys drinking. [learn more about Yuho]

#### YOSHIKO SATO | KANBARA CO-OWNER & DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

Yoshiko Sato is the Director of International Business and co-owner of Kanbara Brewery. Kanbara produces rich, full flavored sakés with elegant umami. [learn more about Kanbara]

# YURI HONDA | CHIYONOSONO GLOBAL SALES DIRECTOR

Once her father retires as president of Chiyonosono she will become president and has been heavily involved with her family's brewery with her current position of Global Sales Director. [learn more about Chiyonosono]

# MONICA SAMUELS | VINE CONNECTIONS VP OF SAKE & SPIRITS

Monica is one of the country's most accomplished saké professionals and has been named as one of the **Top 50 Under 40 Future Influencers of the Global Drinks Industry** by WSET & IWSC and **Top 40 under 40 of America's Most Infulencial Tastemakers** by Wine Enthusiast. She was recently awarded the prestigious "Saké Samurai" title by the Saké Samurai Association in Japan and is a Level 3 Certified Instructor for WSET.