

Masahiro Sakurai

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Masahiro Sakurai was born in Tokyo in 1970. After joining HAL LABORATORY, INC., he directed and designed the *Kirby* and *Super Smash Bros.* series. After striking out on his own, he founded Sora Ltd. in 2005. In 2009, he jointly established Project Sora Co., Ltd. with NCL and became director of the board.

Some of his credits include game design and direction for *Kirby's Dream Land* for the Game Boy Advance system, *Kirby's Adventure* for the NES, *Kirby Super Star* for the Super NES, *Super Smash Bros.* for the Nintendo 64 system, *Super Smash Bros. Melee* and *Kirby Air Ride* for the Nintendo GameCube system, *Meteos* for the Nintendo DS family of systems, *Super Smash Bros. Brawl* for the Wii console and *Kid Icarus: Uprising* for the Nintendo 3DS family of systems. He also supervises the animated Kirby TV show and other Kirby projects.