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**CONSULATE GENERAL OF JAPAN IN DETROIT  
TO CO-SPONSOR JAPAN GIRLS' DAY EVENT AT  
DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS**

**WHAT:** On Sunday, March 6 the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA), together with the Japan Society of Detroit Women's Club and Consulate General of Japan in Detroit will celebrate Japan Girls' Day Festival. The event will take place in Rivera Court from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public.

Girls' Day, also called Hinamatsuri, is a special day to pray for the happiness and healthy growth of girls throughout Japan. On this day, the focal decoration of the celebration in homes with young daughters is an elaborate display of imperial court dolls.

For the celebration, the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit will provide this seven tier doll display at the event.

The celebration also will include a demonstration of the ancient Japanese art of flower arranging – ikebana – by Ikebana International-Chapter 85; a traditional Japanese tea ceremony presented by the Japan Society of Detroit Women's Club; traditional Japanese dance performances; music arrangements by the Miyabi Ensemble and an Origami workshop.

DIA associate curator of Asian art Dr. Birgitta Augustin will comment on the reinstallation of the Asian galleries project.

**WHEN:** Sunday, March 6, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Detroit Institute of Arts  
5200 Woodward Avenue  
Detroit, MI 48202

### ***About the Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit***

*The Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit was established in 1993 by the Government of Japan to serve in the states of Michigan and Ohio. The Detroit office is one of 14 Japanese Consulates General in the United States. The Consulate strives to promote better understanding of Japan and Japanese culture through educational and cultural programs. The office protects the interests of Japanese citizens and strengthens the Japan-U.S. alliance through furthering relations with local governments, companies, educational institutions, cultural organizations and the general public. For more information, visit [www.detroit.us.emb-japan.go.jp/](http://www.detroit.us.emb-japan.go.jp/) or call (313) 567-0120.*

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