



CALENDAR Exhibits & Events

Thurs., October 31
["Fashion from Japan" lecture](#)
@ Bowling Green State Univ.,
Bowling Green, OH

Fri., November 1
[Fashion/Pop Culture
presentation](#) @ Kent State
University, Kent, OH

Sat., November 2
Fashion/Pop Culture session
@ [Youmacon](#), Detroit, MI

Fri., November 8
[Japanese Art Appreciation
Day](#) @ Oakland University,
Rochester, MI

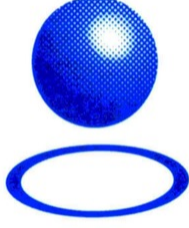
Sat., November 9
[Made in Japan: An Evening
with Japanese Filmmaker Toko
Shiiki](#) @ Garfield Theater,
Cincinnati, OH

Nov. 12 - Dec. 18
[Masayuki Miyajima: New Work
Ceramics Exhibit](#) @ Dublin
Arts Council, Dublin, OH

Through Thurs., November 14
[The Floating World: Japanese
Woodblock Print Exhibit](#) @
Crooked Tree Arts Center,
Traverse City, MI

Tues., November 19
[Invitation to Kabuki: Lecture
and Performance by Actor
Kyoza Nakamura](#) @ UM
Museum of Art, Ann Arbor, MI

Fri., November 22
[Exhibit on Screen: Van Gogh
& Japan](#) @ McConnell Arts
Center, Columbus, OH



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Onigiri Workshops Draw Capacity Crowds at Novi Japan Festival



At the Novi Japan Festival, co-hosted by the Japan Business Society of Detroit and the JSD Women's Club on October 6 in Novi, MI, the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit held workshops on Japanese cuisine and how to make *onigiri* (rice balls).

Over 150 festival goers of all ages were able to watch Chef Nakano's demonstration and try their hands at making rice balls stuffed with tuna, salmon flakes, or pickled Japanese plums. Many thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this possible!

Bonsai Lecture/Workshop Series

Well Received in Ohio



In October, bonsai professional Adam Jones visited Ohio to share his expertise with other bonsai enthusiasts and members of the public via presentations at four different venues.

Jones gave lectures about his experiences as the first Western-born bonsai professional to operate a bonsai garden and nursery in Japan, and led demonstrations about pruning techniques at the Cleveland Botanical Gardens on October 10, and at the Franklin Park Conservatory and Botanical Gardens in Columbus on October 12. Jones also led hands-on workshops at the Akron-Canton Bonsai Society in Stow, and at Dawes Arboretum in Newark.

Many thanks to all who participated, and to the venues that collaborated with the Consulate General of Japan to host these presentations!

Japanese Pop Culture/Fashion Expert to Speak in Michigan and Ohio



The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit is pleased to welcome Dr. Jin Nakamura (pictured above left), Associate Professor at Atomi University in Tokyo, to Ohio and Michigan for a series of presentations about Japan's popular culture, style, and fashion.

On Thursday, October 31, Dr. Nakamura will give a talk entitled "Fashion, Style, and Popular Culture from Japan" from 5:00-6:00pm, followed by a reception and small-group seminar from 6:00-7:30pm, in Room 228 Bowen-Thompson Student Union at Bowling Green State University, in Bowling Green, OH.

On Friday, November 1, Dr. Nakamura will give a talk about the co-creation of pop culture by Japan's apparel industry, from 12:00-2:00pm in Murphy Auditorium at the Kent State University Museum in Kent, OH.

On Saturday, November 2, Dr. Nakamura will lead a special session from 12:00-2:00pm in the Grand Ballroom of the TCF Center at the Youmacon cosplay extravaganza (pictured above right) in Detroit, MI.

Japanese Visual Arts to be Highlighted at Oakland University



Friday, November 8, will be Japanese Art Appreciation Day on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester, MI. This event will feature presentations by *shodo* master Ms. Kyoko Fujii of Kyoka Japanese Calligraphy Design Art Studio, and fine artist Mr. Tatsuki Hakoyama of Ferris State University's Kendall College of Art & Design, from 4:00-6:00pm in the Oakland Center Gold Rooms A&B.

This event is co-hosted by the Oakland University Japan Club, Grassroots Exchange Network Japan (GEN-J), and the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit. Admission is free and open to the public.

Kabuki Star to Speak at University of Michigan



"Invitation to Kabuki" will take place at the Helmut Stern Auditorium at the University of Michigan Museum of Art in Ann Arbor, MI, on Tuesday, November 19, from 7:00-8:30pm. This event will feature a presentation by veteran *onnagata* actor Mr. Kyoza Nakamura, about the acting of male and female roles in kabuki and his own professional path. Mr. Nakamura will also demonstrate certain kabuki movements, using interactive call-and-response to invite audience participation and imitation.

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