

Bi-Weekly Newsletter: Upcoming Japan Events



September 2nd - September 15th, 2019

Now open for Registration:

Chopstick workshop (9/9) and Metal work workshop (9/12) now open for [registration!](#)

We are now on Instagram!

The Japan Society of Boston is catching up! We now have an [Instagram account](#). Follow us to stay in the JSB loop!

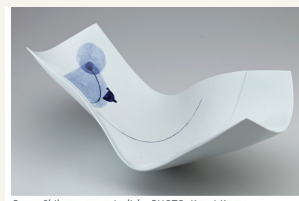
Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Instagram!



Meet our new Intern!

Lamar Montgomery is our new Intern! Come say hi to him when you see him at your next JSB event!

[Please help us raise funds for Kogei-Kyoto!](#)



Ryozo Shibata, ceramic dish. PHOTO: Kogei-Kyoto

We are still hoping to bring additional artists from Kyoto to Boston during the opening week of the Kyoto Kogei exhibition at the Society of Art+Crafts. Help us fund their travel cost by making a donation on our GoFundMe page.

Japan Society of Boston Events

[Free Opening Reception:](#) [Kogei-Kyoto](#) [at SA+C Boston](#)



Tuesday, September 10th 2019 from 6pm - 9pm

Society of Arts + Crafts
100 Pier Four Blvd, Suite 200,
Boston, MA 02210

Come celebrate with us at the opening reception of Kogei-Kyoto x SA+C Boston: Contemporary Innovators in Japanese Arts and Crafts on Tuesday, September 10th from 6-9pm! This exhibition features over 60 works by masters of Japanese kogei craft techniques including ceramics, lacquer, textiles, and more!

To learn more, please visit [the Eventbrite website](#).

Kogei Kyoto Event hosted by JSB

[Workshop: Feel the Tenderness of Wood by Making Your Own Chopsticks](#)



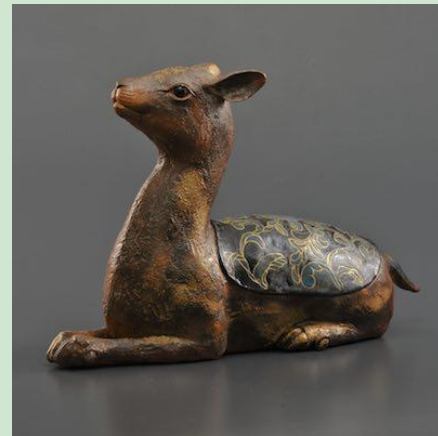
**Monday, September 9, 2019
from 6:30-8:30 PM**

CIC Boston, 50Milk Street.,
Meridian Room, 5th Floor
Boston, MA 02109

Register [here](#)!

Kogei Kyoto Event hosted by Non-JSB

[Kogei-Kyoto Ceramic Artist Demonstration](#)



**Monday, September 9, 2019
from 10:00am to 5:00pm**

Ceramics Program - Office for the Arts
at Harvard, 224 Western Ave, Allston

Register [here](#)!

[Express the Lyrical Nature of Metal](#)



**Thursday, September 12, 2019
from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM**

CIC Cambridge 101 Main Street,
Lookout Room, 15th Floor

[Japanese Traditional Artistry with Akira Murayama and Gyokusen Mochizuki](#)



**Sunday, September 8, 2019
from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm**

Cambridge, MA 02142

Register [here](#)!

John, Bertram A. and Ronald M. Druker
Family Pavilion (Classroom 159)

Register [here](#)! (Free with museum
admission)

Japanese/English Language Exchange



Thursday, September 12th, 2019 from 5:30 - 7:30
CIC Boston, Meridian Room, 5th Floor
50 Milk Street, Boston, MA 02109

Free for JSB members | \$5 for public

Our Japanese/English language exchange is back from summer vacation! Our theme this month will be: "Moving". "Moving" from CA to Boston, "moving" trucks in Boston, watching a "moving" movie, working with many "moving" parts.....the topics are endless! Come with a friendly disposition to learn and help others learn and talk about "moving".

[Register Here](#)

Kusama - Infinity: The Life and Art of Yayoi Kusama



This film is presented in collaboration with the Museum of Science

Wednesday, September 25, 2019 from 7:00PM - 9:00PM
Cahners Theater, Museum of Science
1 Science Park, Boston, MA 02114

Separate ticket required at the Museum of Science
Free with registration

Yayoi Kusama overcame impossible odds to bring her radical artistic vision to the world stage: a dysfunctional family, sexism and racism in the art world, and the turmoil of mental illness. In spite of it all, she has

persevered, creating a legacy of groundbreaking artwork for over six decades. Now, record numbers of selfie-takers and social media influencers experience her iconic Infinity Mirror Rooms even as she continues making new work daily at the age of 90.

Join us at the Museum of Science for an one-night-only screening of the astonishing story of Yayoi Kusama and how she became one of the top-selling female visual artists today. Featuring introduction by and Q&A with Reto Thüring, Beal Family Chair of the Department of Contemporary Art at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

All SubSpace programs at the Museum of Science are for audiences 18+.

For more information and to register for your ticket, please visit [the Museum of Science event page](#).

This film is co-presented with the Museum of Science.

JAPAN SOCIETY OF BOSTON BOOK CLUB



**Tuesday, September 17, 2019
from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

50 Milk Street, "Hemingway" on the 18th floor, Boston, MA 02110

Do you love Japanese literature? The JSB Book Club for JSB members will be meeting in Sept to discuss *The Setting Sun* by Osamu Dazai. The purpose of the JSB Book Club is to strengthen the Boston community of Japan enthusiasts by coming together to discuss Japanese literature.

[Register Here](#)

Kodo ☐☐ - Incense Appreciation

Mr. Masataka Hata

President of the Shoyeido Incense of Kyoto

Session 1: Saturday, October 5th, 2019, 2:30 - 3:45 PM

Session 2: Saturday, October 5th, 2019, 4:30 - 5:45 PM

Registration required.

Seating is limited to 12 people per session.

JSB Members \$15 per person | \$30 General Admission

Mr. Hata will instruct participants in the art of incense appreciation. The Shoyeido Incense Company began in Kyoto in 1705, becoming the world's premiere incense-making company and the preferred supplier of incense to most temples in Japan. In the early 18th century, Rokubei Moritsune Hata began incorporating methods he learned while working at the Imperial Palace in Kyoto. He applied the court's secret traditions of blending incense, previously enjoyed only by royalty, to commercial production. Twelve generations later, Masataka Hata continues this legacy, and today Shoyeido offers customers a wide variety of unique high quality incense.

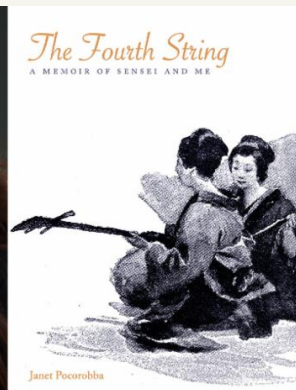


Register for the 2:30 Seating

Register for the 4:30 Seating

Allure of the Shamisen

**with Janet Pocarobba,
Lesley University**



**Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 6:00pm
3rd Floor, Mosaic, 245 Main Street, Cambridge, MA**

JSB Members \$5 per person | \$10 General Admission

Join us for an insightful discussion about the history and features of the shamisen with Janet Pocarobba, author of *The Fourth String: A Memoir of Sensei and Me*.

Janet Pocarobba's involvement with Japan stretches back more than

twenty years. She has studied shamisen, the three drums of the kabuki orchestra (ko-tsuzumi, o-tsuzumi, and shimeshaiko), and Japanese dance. She has performed in concert halls, schools, museums, culture fairs, backyards, and in the home of the Consul-General of Japan in Boston. In 2009, she created and toured, "17 Views of a Shamisen," a spoken word and music performance relating the paradoxes and angst of cross-cultural living.

[Register Here](#)

Other Japan Events Around Boston

[Longwood Symphony Orchestra's 2019 Healing Art of Music Concert Honoring Setsuko Thurlow](#)



**Saturday, October 5th, 2019
8:00pm**

**New England Conservatory, Jordan Hall
30 Gainsborough St, Boston, MA**

Greater Boston PSR (GBPSR) and International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW) are honored to have again been selected as Community Partners for the 2019 season of the Longwood Symphony Orchestra's (LSO) Healing Art of Music program. As Community Partners, we will be featured during an evening LSO concert at 8:00 PM on Saturday, October 5th, 2019 at New England Conservatory's Jordan Hall in Boston, with proceeds benefiting our organizations' efforts to prevent nuclear war. The concert, as well as an exclusive reception and presentation beforehand at 5:30 PM in the NEC's Williams Hall, will feature atomic bomb survivor and

[Yayoi Kusama: LOVE IS CALLING](#)



Sep 24, 2019 - Feb 7, 2021

**The Institute of Contemporary Art
25 Harbor Shore Drive
Boston MA 02210**

An icon of contemporary art, Yayoi Kusama (b. 1929, Matsumoto, Japan) has interwoven ideas of pop art, minimalism, and psychedelia throughout her work in paintings, performances, room-size presentations, outdoor sculptural installations, literary works, films, design, and architectural interventions over her long and influential career. LOVE IS CALLING will be accompanied by a focused presentation drawn from the ICA's collection titled Beyond Infinity: Contemporary Art After Kusama that will offer insight into Kusama's influences and her important legacy on contemporary art.

Thu, Sep 19 - Sun, Sep 22
ICA members are invited to preview Kusama's Infinity Mirror Room before it

renowned anti-nuclear weapons activist Setsuko Thurlow, an early advocate of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) who accepted the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo on behalf of her colleagues. Use code JAPANSOCIETY and purchase tickets by September 15, 2019 to receive a special 10% discount off tickets.

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opens to the public.

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[Martha's Vineyard International Film Festival - Every Day A GOOD Day \(Nichinichi Kore Kojitsu\)](#)



**Sunday, September 8 2019,
12:00pm**

**Capawock theater
43 Main St, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568**

Do you love Japanese tea? Follow the journey of a young woman who finds solace in the meditative art of Japanese Tea Ceremonies. Doors are open for admission 30 min. before screening.

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[Miso & Fermentation with Kirsten and Christopher Shockey](#)



**Saturday, September 21, 2019
from 10 to 11am**

**KITCHEN at Boston Public Market,
Boston, MA**

Come discover this ancient fermented (and very tasty) superfood with Kirsten and Christopher Shockey, authors of the best-selling "Fermented Vegetables and Fiery Ferments." You may only know this flavor-packed paste from the soup that you see on menus in Japanese restaurants, but there is so much more to miso! In this workshop you will learn why miso is so incredible—from mind-boggling health benefits to amazing flavor. Cost: \$15

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