

Bi-Weekly Newsletter: Upcoming Japan Events



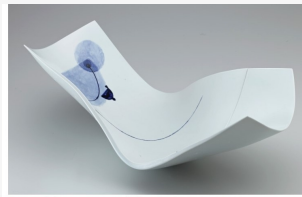
August 5th - August 18th, 2019

Now open for Registration:
"JSB Book Club" for members is now
open for [registration](#)!

What's coming in the Fall:

The Japan Society of Boston will be bringing many exciting programs to you in Sept/Oct. Some things you would want to be on a lookout for in our future newsletters are: "Book Talk by Pico Iyer", "Film Showing at MOS" and "Kocarina Concert"!

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Ryozo Shibata, ceramic dish. PHOTO: Kogei-Kyoto

Support us in
bringing artists
from Kyoto to
Boston this fall!

As part of the Kogei-Kyoto x SA+C Boston: Contemporary Innovators in Japanese Arts and Crafts exhibit at the Society of Arts and Crafts from Sept. 10 to Nov 10, 2019, JSB is trying to bring "kogei" artists from Kyoto to Boston. Please help us in this effort by supporting us on our [gofundme](#) page!

Interested in Volunteering?

Fall is one of the busiest time of the year and we will be bringing many programs in the next few months. We are looking for volunteers who can join us in making each and every program a special one to remember. Interested in volunteering with us? If so, send us an [email](#)!

Japan Society of Boston Events

JSB Summer Shinboukai



at the Boston Children's Museum



Friday, August 9, 2019 From 5:30PM - 7:30PM
Boston Children's Museum, 1st floor Guest Welcome Room
308 Congress Street, Boston, MA 02210

\$5 for refreshments

Please pay the \$1 admissions fee (after 5pm on Friday)

to the Boston Children's Museum

Shinboku ☐☐ means "friendship" and ☐ means "meeting" so ☐☐☐ is an informal meeting where friends get together to enjoy each others company. So why not a JSB Summer Shinbokukai to meet your fellow JSB friends and enjoy some Japanese snacks and drinks! Japanese popsicles or ice cream will be served to the first 15 guests.

The Boston Children's Museum is celebrating the amazing art and stories of the Studio Ghibli films 8/5 - 8/9 with special programs such as Cosplay (Meet Totoro and Kiki!), Crazy Creature Art, Decorate Uchiwa Fans, Origami Totoro, Ghibli Jam & Family Yoga, and so much more! Come take advantage of their TJX Fridays \$1 admissions fee from 5pm to 9pm and enjoy some Ghibli activity at the Museum while also stopping by at the JSB Shinbokukai! To learn more about the Celebrate Studio Ghibli event at the Museum, please visit [website](#).

Register Here

Kogei-Kyoto x SA+C Boston: Contemporary Innovators in Japanese Arts and Crafts

Contemporary Innovators in Japanese Arts and Crafts



**Tues, September 10th - Sun,
November 10th, 2019**
Society of Arts + Crafts
100 Pier Four Blvd, Suite 200, Boston, MA 02210

Free and Open to the Public

The Japan Society of Boston is co-presenting, "Kogei-Kyoto at SA+C Boston: Contemporary Innovators in Japanese Arts and Crafts" with the Society of Arts in Crafts Seaport gallery from Sept. 10 to Nov. 10, 2019. Nearly 30 artists from the Artists Group Kogei-Kyoto crafts collective in Kyoto, Japan will contribute exquisite handmade items to the Group's first American exhibition. Don't miss this rare opportunity to experience the beauty of design and the true artistry of Japanese craftsmanship. This is part of a city-wide celebration of Boston's 60-year sister city relationship

with Kyoto.

For gallery hours, click [here](#).

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 will be meeting in June 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



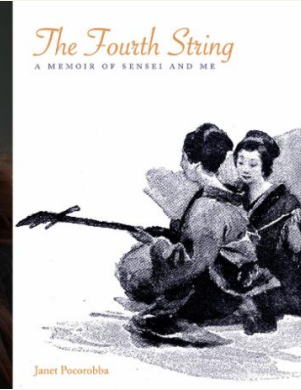
production. Twelve generations later, Masataka Hata continues this legacy, and today Shoyeido offers customers a wide variety of unique high quality incense.

[Register for the 2:30 Seating](#)

[Register for the 4:30 Seating](#)

Allure of the Shamisen

with Janet Pocarobba,
Lesley University



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

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 shimedaiko), 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

[36th Annual Black Ships Festival](#)

[Celebrate Studio Ghibli](#)



**Friday, August 9th - Sunday
August 11th, 2019**

**Independence Park
419-459 Thames St,
Bristol, RI**

Join the Japan America Society of Rhode Island for the 36th Annual Black Ships Festival August 9-11. A celebration of the friendship and culture between Japan and the United States and the trading treaty negotiated by Rhode Island's Own Commodore Matthew C. Perry, USN over 150 years ago. From Arts & Crafts, Taiko Drumming and Martial Arts to the Sushi & Sake Sail and the Black Ships Gala there are a variety of events and activities for all ages and interest.

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[Japanese Association of Greater Boston's Tanglewood Tour](#)



**Saturday August 24th, 2019
2:30 PM**

JAGB office,



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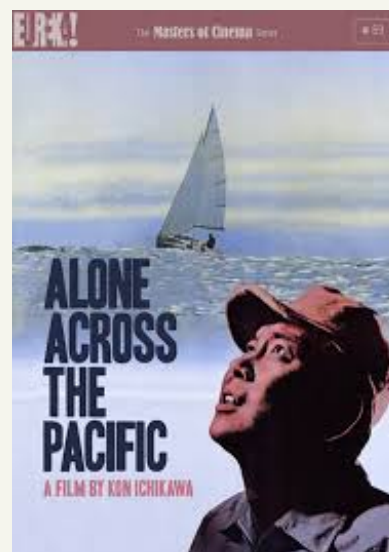
**Boston Children's Museum
308 Congress Street
Boston, MA 02210**

Celebrate Studio Ghibli with Boston Children's Museum this week. Special programs and activities include: music and dance, story circles, cosplay characters, maker workshops, and Japanese cultural arts and games. Come get immersed in the world of Totoro, Kiki, Jiji, Kodama, and Chihiro!

For more information visit [here!](#)

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[Film Screening: Alone Across the Pacific \(Taiheiyo hitoribotchi\)](#)



**792 Mass Ave,
Arlington, MA**

Our friends at the Japanese Association of Greater Boston are organizing a tour to Tanglewood this summer! Join your Japanese neighbors on this fun tour. For more information or to register, go to www.jagb.org or email info@jagb.org

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**Saturday August 31th, 2019
7:00 PM**

**Harvard Film Archive,
24 Quincy St., Cambridge, MA 02138**

Directed by Kon Ichikawa. Starring Yujiro Ishihara, Masayuki Mori, Kinuyo Tanaka. Japan 1964, 35mm, color, 104 min. Japanese and English with English Subtitles. Please view [here](#) for details.

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