



THE JAPAN SOCIETY OF BOSTON
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Monthly Newsletter



Boston: The U.S.-Japan Intersection

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How long have you been in Boston?

I started this new role in March 2023, so I am quite new here, although this is my third time living in the U.S. I was in the Washington, DC area from July 2003 to May 2005, and in Houston from October 2016 to September 2017.

What does your company do?

[Mitsubishi Corporation](#) (MC) is a global integrated business enterprise that develops and operates businesses together with its offices and subsidiaries worldwide, as well as with its global network of around 1,700 group companies. Our Boston branch is one of the offices under Mitsubishi Corporation (Americas).

MC has 10 Business Groups that operate across virtually every industry such as Natural Gas, Industrial Materials, and Consumer Industry. MC's current activities have expanded far beyond its traditional trading operations to include project development, production and manufacturing operations, working in collaboration with our trusted partners around the globe.

Our function in Boston is to support business development for the MC Group by gathering and disseminating information related to the latest industry and tech trends, corporate practices, as well as



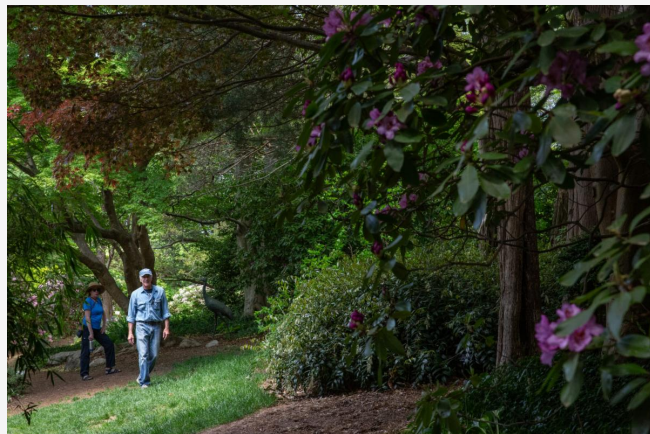
social, political, and economic issues related to the local ecosystem.

Click [here](#) to read the full interview!

Announcements from JSB

JSB members, please visit the [Member Portal](#) and log in to explore exclusive discounts and other perks!

Currently featured are discounted tickets to the Samurai Summer III film festival and access to Roland Kelts' *Letters from Tokyo*!



[Long Hill](#) estate in Beverly, MA is offering free general admission to JSB members with their membership card. This limited time opportunity runs until the end of their visitor season on **October 29th**. Please note that special programs and events would require additional tickets.

Visit Long Hill to see their vast collection of Japanese native plants and enjoy the beauty of their private gardens surrounded by woodland trails!

JSB Programming

Abare Matsuri

THE FESTIVAL OF
FIRE AND VIOLENCE

Wednesday, July 19th @6PM ET



Abare Matsuri: The Festival of Fire and Violence
Wednesday, July 19th, 2023 - 6:00 PM ET
Online

The town of Ushitsu in Ishikawa Prefecture holds a very different type of summer festival. Join the Japan Society of Boston as we explore how the people of Ushitsu

celebrate fire, violence, and rampage in a summer festival that people from all over Japan come to see!

This is a free, hour-long presentation with Q&A hosted on Zoom.

[Register](#)

Discover Saori Weaving

Thursday June 22, 2023

Online at 6PM ET

Presented by Mihoko Wakabayashi

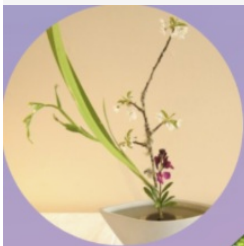


Discover Saori Weaving Thursday, June 22nd, 2023 - 6:00 PM ET Online

Join us to discover the beauty and simplicity of Saori weaving, a Japanese style of weaving that emphasizes creativity, self-expression, and mindfulness.

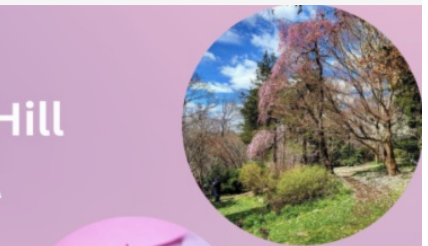
Led by expert artist Mihoko Wakabayashi, the presentation will cover the history, method, and philosophy of Saori weaving, followed by a Q&A session.

[Register](#)



Celebrate Japan! at Long Hill Gardens in Beverly, MA

Join JSB on
Saturday, July 15th, 2023
10AM - 3:30PM



Celebrate Japan! Saturday, July 15th, 2023 - 10:00am - 3:30pm ET Long Hill Gardens

JSB and Long Hill gardens are collaborating again this year to celebrate Japanese

culture. With their many Japanese artifacts and plantings, Long Hill is excited to celebrate Japanese culture through music, arts, and much more!

Register



Samurai Summer III
June 20th - July 12th, 2023
Coolidge Corner Theatre

Samurai Summer debuted in 2021, paying homage to the [Coolidge's](#) history of programming Japanese films in the '70s and '80s, with samurai stories being among the most popular.

In 2023, Samurai Summer III returns with screenings of some deeper cuts, including *Three Outlaw Samurai, Kill!*, an afternoon of the complete Samurai Trilogy, *Kwaidan*, and much more!

Members find promo code [here](#), for discounted tickets!

Tickets



Let's Make Picnic Bento!

Saturday, June 17, 2023

5:00pm - 6:30pm ET

Online Cooking Class via ZOOM



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Members: \$10 | Non-Members: \$15

www.bit.ly/OuchiGohan-Bento



JAPAN AMERICA SOCIETY OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA



THE JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON DC

□□□□□□! Ouchigohan Picnic Bento

Saturday, June 17th, 2023 — 5:00 PM ET

Online

Summer days at the beach, the park, or just in your backyard are ahead. Join us and learn how to make delicious & healthy Japanese Picnic Bento featuring your favorite foods! This educational and family friendly program has plenty for all ages from cute bento design, crafts, and cupcake liners to add to the fun.

[Register](#)

Join the JSB Language Room
A Japanese and English Virtual Language Exchange

JAPAN SOCIETY OF BOSTON

Sponsored by:

Temple University Japan Campus

JSB Language Room

Friday, June 16th, 2023 6:00 to 8:00 PM ET

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Online

Practice your Japanese (or your English) at our next online Japanese / English language exchange. Our monthly language room is sponsored by [Temple University](#),

Japan Campus (TUJ). TUJ is the oldest and largest foreign university in Japan.

Register

Programs for JSB Members



Tatami Program at Machiya House

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Friday, June 23rd, 2023 - 2:00 PM ET
Boston Children's Museum

JSB members are invited to join for a private viewing of tatami craftsmen at the Machiya House in the [Boston Children's Museum](#)!

During the private viewing, members will be able to view the craftsmen working, ask questions, and listen to the history of the Machiya house.

The tour is free, but open only to JSB members. Space is limited for this event.

Register



Private Kintsugi Workshop

JSB Members Only

GrayMist Studio
Monday, July 10th @ 10AM

Private Kintsugi Workshop
Monday, July 10th, 2023 - 10:00 AM ET

GrayMist Studio

364 Huron Ave, Cambridge MA 02138

We are excited to announce a private, discounted Kintsugi workshop for JSB members, hosted by [Crane & Turtle](#) and [GrayMist Studio](#). In this workshop you will learn how to turn your broken pottery into art with an easy and food-safe method!

Open only to JSB members. Space is limited for this event.

Register



JAPAN SOCIETY OF BOSTON MEMBER

BOOK CLUB

PRO BONO BY SEICHO MATSUMOTO

JSB Book Club

Wednesday, July 26th, 2023 - 6:00 PM ET

Online

Do you love Japanese literature? The JSB Book Club will be meeting to discuss *Pro Bono* by Seicho Matsumoto. The purpose of the JSB Book Club is to strengthen the Boston community of Japan enthusiasts by coming together to discuss Japanese literature.

Find a copy of *Pro Bono* [here](#).

Register

More Content from JSB



#MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

Japan Society of Boston

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Member Highlight

The Japan Society of Boston is pleased to introduce you to the wonderful members of our community through this new blog series.

Each month, we will feature a JSB Member and ask them to share with us their Japan Story.

This Month: [Tiziana Carpi](#)



[Full Article](#)

JSB MEETS JET ALUMNI

An interview series on alumni experiences in Japan



JSB Meets JET Alumni

As part of our partnership with the [United States Japan Exchange and Teaching Alumni Association](#) (USJETAA), the Japan Society of Boston features a new JET Alumni in our monthly blog!

This month's JET Alum is [Patty Blas](#) - Shizuoka (1997-2000)

[Read the Blog](#)



JOHN E. THAYER III AWARD

The John E. Thayer, III Award was established in 1991 to commemorate the work and commitment of John E. “Jack” Thayer, III, a longtime member of the Japan Society’s board of directors who was dedicated to furthering relations between Japan and the U.S. This award was established to recognize the achievements of individuals, groups of individuals, or organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the progress of the understanding and friendship between the people of the United States and Japan.

[Apply for the Thayer Award](#)

Other Japan-Related Events



Showa Boston Friendship Program

Join [Showa Boston](#) for their annual Summer Friendship Program and make friends from Japan!

Rising 4th, 5th, and 6th-grade children are invited to apply to become “Ambassadors for Boston.” Participate in week-long activities on the Showa Boston campus with visiting Japanese children from Showa Tokyo.

Program fee: \$650 (Includes lunch, transportation, and all admissions)

August 7-11, Monday-Friday
8:30 am-4:30 pm

[Website](#)

OZU 120: THE COMPLETE OZU YASUHIRO

The Harvard Film Archive
June 9 - August 13



OZU 120: The Complete Ozu Yasujiro
June 9th - August 13th, 2023
The Harvard Film Archive
24 Quincy St, Cambridge, MA 02138

OZU 120, a complete retrospective of the Japanese director and screenwriter's extant work, commemorating both the 120th anniversary of his birth and 60th anniversary of his death, will run at the Harvard Film Archive from June 9th through August 13th.

Presented by the Harvard Film Archive and Shochiku, in partnership with the Reischauer Institute of Japanese Studies and the Japan Foundation, this complete Ozu Yasujiro retrospective offers the rare opportunity to see all of Ozu's extant films screened on 35mm film and select screenings will feature live musical accompaniment.

[Tickets](#)

Yoko Miwa Jazz Trio

@ The Mad Monkfish

Friday Evenings 7pm & 8:45PM



Yoko Miwa Jazz Trio
Fridays, June 2023 - 7:00 & 8:45 PM ET
The Mad Monkfish

524 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139

See internationally acclaimed jazz pianist and composer, Yoko Miwa, perform at the

Mad Monkfish, every Friday night in June at 7:00pm and 8:45pm. She is joined by Brad Barrett on bass and Scott Goulding on drums.

A \$10 deposit required to make reservations goes toward your food/beverage purchase.

[Tickets](#)

EVERYDAY BEAUTY

Shoji Hamada | Shinsaku Hamada | Tomoo Hamada

Everyday Beauty Exhibit Public Reception

Saturday, June 10th, 2023 - 3:00 PM ET

Pucker Gallery

240 Newbury St, 3rd floor, Boston MA

Everyday Beauty, the upcoming exhibition from the The Pucker Gallery featuring an incredible assortment of stoneware artworks created by Shoji Hamada, Shinsaku Hamada, and Tomoo Hamada, opens on June 10th and will run until July 9th.

Join the Pucker Gallery for the Public Reception of Everyday Beauty at their Newbury St location on Saturday, June 10th from 3-6PM! Artist Tomoo Hamada will be present.

[Info](#)



Hokusai: Inspiration and Influence

Through July 16th Museum of Fine Arts Boston

Taking a new approach to the work of the ever-popular Katsushika Hokusai (1760–1849), this major exhibition explores in detail his impact on other artists—both during his lifetime and beyond. Throughout a career of more than 70 years, Hokusai experimented with a wide range of styles and subjects, producing landscapes such as the instantly recognizable Great Wave and Red Fuji (both about 1830–31), nature studies known as “bird-and-flower pictures,” and depictions of women, heroes, and monsters.

Tickets

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