



HINAMATSURI: JAPANESE DOLL FESTIVAL

In celebration of Hinamasturi, also known as Japanese Doll Festival or Girls' Day, which is held on March 3, we will be displaying our Hina-ningyo (Japanese doll) set in our meeting room for the month of February and the first week of March. This custom of displaying dolls began during the Heian period (8-10th century AD) when people believed that the dolls possessed the power to contain evil spirits. Hinamatsuri traces its origins to an ancient Japanese custom called hina-nagashi, in which straw hina dolls were set afloat on a boat and sent down river to the sea, symbolically taking evil spirits with them. In Japan, families typically start displaying their dolls in February to pray for young girl's growth and happiness and take them down immediately after the festival. Superstition says that leaving the dolls out past March 4 will result in a late marriage for the daughter.

RESERVATIONS

This is a free exhibit and no reservation is required. If you are coming in a large group of 10 or more, please contact us beforehand to let us know.

DATES

February 5th through March 9th

HOURS

Tuesday: 12pm to 7pm

Wednesday: 12pm to 4pm

Thursday: 12pm to 7pm

Friday: 12pm to 4pm

Saturday 2/9 & 2/23 & 3/9: 12pm to 4:30pm

Upcoming Events

JAPANEMA = Japanese Cinema

Arts & Culture Grants

Rental Exhibitions

Past Events: Lecture Series

Past Events: Exhibitions



Exhibit 28: A Tribute to Tatsumi Hijikata's

Exhibit 26: Myo-o in the Shell

Exhibit 25: NOVUS PLANTS

Exhibit 24: Carving Across Borders: Block Prints of Hiroshi Yoshida

Exhibit 23: TOKYO Before/After

Exhibit 22: Art Exhibition: Gyotaku

Exhibit 21: Helen Keller and Hachiko

Exhibit 20: Art Exhibition: Gyotaku

Exhibit 19: MIGRATING DREAMSCAPES: NOBUO ANZAI

Exhibit 18: Passage to the Future

Exhibit 17: YAKISHIME

Exhibit 16: Japanese Bath

Exhibit 15: Neo Japonism

Exhibit 14: Chromatic Passages

Exhibit 13: Metamorphosis of Japan

Exhibit 12: Raku

Exhibit 11: Cute Bento

Exhibit 10: After Mikiko Hara

Exhibit 9: Kiyoto

Exhibit 8: Japanese Design Today 100

Exhibit 7: The World Heritage Sites in Japan

Exhibit 6: Handcrafted Form

Exhibit 5: Sakura (Cherry Blossoms)

Exhibit 4: Hinamatsuri Japanese Doll Festival

Exhibit 3: Celebrating New Years With Japanese Toys

Exhibit 2: NIKKATSU VINTAGE MOVIE POSTERS

Exhibit 1: Nippon Through My Eyes

Past Events: Others

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