Time After Time Capsule

November 1, 2016 - January 29, 2017

Special display at Japanese American National Museum

Time After Time Capsule was created by Sebastian Masuda, a Japanese artist and a founder of 6%DOKIDOKI, a boutique and a central hub of kawaii culture in Harajuku, Japan.

Time After Time Capsule is an ongoing art project which invites the public to contribute cherished personal items to fill 10 translucent sculptures which will travel around the world. Each community is invited to offer or create colorfully decorated items of personal value which will be then be placed in a nine-foot translucent Hello Kitty time capsule.
All sculptures, filled with these personal items imbued with individuals’ memories, will gather in Tokyo in 2020 to mark the Tokyo Olympics, and will then be fashioned into a monumental art piece incorporating all 10 sculptures for public viewing. In 2035, each sculpture will be returned to its respective city where participants of this project will be able to reunite with the items and messages they contributed years ago.

"DROP-OFF" DAY

Bring either a cherished personal item or a colorfully decorated letter to your future self to be placed in the capsule.

**Please note that Sebastian Masuda will not appear at this event.**

Date & Time: Thursday, December 15, 2016 3pm-8pm

Location: Japanese American National Museum

Admission: Free

WORKSHOP WITH ARTIST SEBASTIAN MASUDA

Help kawaii artist Sebastian Masuda fill a gigantic Hello Kitty time capsule! Bring a cherished personal item or write a letter to your future self, which you will work on and decorate at the workshop before adding it to the capsule.

Date & Time: Sunday, January 8, 2017 11am-5pm

Location: Oshogatsu Family Festival at Japanese American National Museum

Admission: Free

Please be aware that once contributed items are placed inside the capsule, we will not be able to retrieve them at the owner’s request. Should it be determined that your item is damaging or is a threat to the artwork, we will have to remove the item from the capsule. No food or perishable items please.

These programs are presented in collaboration with the Japanese American National Museum
About the artist

Sebastian Masuda (b. 1970, Chiba, Japan) is an artist and director of the concept shop 6%DOKIDOKI. He was involved in the world of contemporary art in the late 1980s, leading an avant-garde performance group. In 1995, Masuda opened 6%DOKIDOKI as a field of artistic expression in the Harajuku district of Tokyo, Japan. His vision spread not only within the shop, but also into the larger culture, first in Japan and then worldwide. Most notably embraced by American Pop star Gwen Stefani, Masuda has created campaigns and kawaii (cute) visuals for some of Japan's top brands, designed sets for film and theater, and helped to launch the career of kawaii superstar Kyary Pamyu Pamyu. Kyary’s videos, with art direction and set design by Masuda, have received over 200 million views on YouTube. He produced a café called "Kawaii Monster Cafe" in the heart of Harajuku which gives visitors multiple experiences like edible colorful foods, colorful monster girls and theatrical presentations. As a pioneer of kawaii culture, Masuda speaks internationally at museums, conferences and other events proposing Japanese pop culture to the rest of the world with the message “Always hold a revolution in your own heart.” He currently lives in Tokyo.
Japanese Workshop: Samurai Acting

Workshop: Create Your Own Kanji & Calligraphy

Butoh Workshop by Dance Maestro Mushimaru Fujieda

An Evening with Kabuki Actor Kyozo Nakamura

Lecture & Demonstration: Samurai Spirit Alive

Words Can't Go There: John Kaizan Neptune Shakuhachi Live in Los Angeles

Workshop: Action in Japanese

Evening Time Wellness Wednesday (Yoga & Meditation)

Change the World with Onigiri 2018

Lecture & Demonstration: Noh Masks

Ask Marty

TATAKE TAKE: Let's Play Bamboo Beat!

Hands on with Japanese Handmade Paper

Bamboo Music

Japan Korea Miso

Rakugo Sankyo

Takahashi Hiroko

New Year's Cuisine

One Piece Kabuki

Time After Time

Takeo Kawaguchi - SLOW BODY
Street-style Kendama

Perspectives on Risque Cinema

Cinema Kabuki

Cinema Kabuki

R&R Library Lounge

Java and Jazz Library Lounge

Change the World With Onigiri

Japanese Design Today

Kyogen Performance/Workshop

Daidengaku Dance Workshop

Mashi Murakami Meet & Greet

Daughters of the Samurai

One-Man Kabuki Storyteller

Zen Calligraphy Workshop

Rakugo

The Great Passage

Ai Kuwabara Trio Project

Japanese Kites

Hachi - A Dog's Tale

Japan Film Festival

Director's Talk
Nikkatsu at 100

Cast Me If You Can

Abeya Tsugaru-Shamisen

Arigato From Japan

Past Events: Japanema (PDF)