



The Morikami

Museum and Japanese Gardens

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Open Tues-Sun 10am to 5pm
Closed Mondays & Major Holidays

2009 - 2010 Family Activities and Events

September 29 – December 6, 2009 – NEW EXHIBITION!

Elegance in Iron: The Art of the Japanese Tetsubin

In 18th century Kyoto, literary men with an interest in Chinese learning rebelled against the formalized manner of the Japanese tea ceremony and took up the Chinese habit of drinking steeped tea. By century's end, this act of defiance had led to the development of the *tetsubin*, the Japanese cast-iron teakettle. This exhibition draws from the outstanding collection of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kramer and features more than 90 *tetsubin* from the 19th and early 20th centuries, when the affluence of the urban merchant class, which had begun to enjoy steeped tea as well, supported the cost of producing *tetsubin* with raised decoration and inlays of precious metals. *Elegance in Iron* showcases the variety in shape and surface decoration of Kyoto *tetsubin* while also featuring kettles of northern Japan's Nambu region, where a folk tradition, little affected by Kyoto culture, fostered a dynamic aesthetic in iron tea kettles that complemented the region's robust lifestyle. Exhibition of *Elegance in Iron* is funded in part by the National Endowment for the Arts, the Henri and Tomoye Takahashi Foundation and the Mary Livingston Griggs and Mary Griggs Burke Foundation.

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Moonlight Memories, Plum Blossom Dreams: Japanese Woodblock Prints from the Collection of James Stepp and Peter Zimmer

Plum blossoms and the moon were secondary motifs commonly depicted in Japanese woodblock prints of the 19th century. This exhibition features images of beautiful women, actors of the kabuki stage, and heroes from Japanese history and legend incorporating these motifs for their auspicious connotations or to set mood. Works are by such well known print designers as Utagawa Toyokuni, Tsunoda Kunisada, Ikeda Eisen, Tsukioka Yoshitoshi, and Kobayashi Kiyochika. The exhibition is funded in part by Henri and Tomoye Takahashi Charitable Foundation and the Mary Livingston Griggs and Mary Griggs Burke Foundation.

October 8 & 9 • Thursday & Friday– The Morikami Presents: Ronin Taiko

Cost: \$20 members, \$35 non-members

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Location: Morikami Theater

Purchase tickets online at www.morikami.org or by calling 561-495-0233 x232. Seating is first come, first served.

Ronin Taiko will awaken cultural spirits for a brand new season of arts and entertainment at The Morikami with an energetic two-hour concert. Featured at other Morikami events, such as Sushi & Stroll, Ronin's powerful performances feature Japanese taiko drums. Designed more than 2,600 years ago to intimidate enemies before a war and to celebrate at

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religious ceremonies and festivals, the powerful, ancient art of taiko has evolved into a cherished and popular form of musical expression and performance art.

October 10 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: Roly-Poly Daruma

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

Reservations are not required

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November 7, 2009 – New Permanent Installation!

Japan Through the Eyes of a Child

Elementary school-aged children, along with their families and classmates, can step into Japanese culture and experience it first-hand in this exhibition designed especially for them. Four Japanese “environments” transport young visitors from Florida to far-off Japan. First is a train station platform where the super fast “Bullet Train” the *Shinkansen*, has just pulled in. Next, an elementary school classroom shows kids what their Japanese counterparts are learning and how they are learning it. A street of shops follows, including an anime collectibles store, a toy store, a kimono shop and a bento box-lunch store. Finally, a Japanese house invites youngsters to take off shoes and walk on tatami floor mats, visit the kitchen to check out what is in the refrigerator, and see a household bath and toilet. The exhibition was developed by the National Children’s Museum in Washington, D.C. and is funded by a grant from the Kohnken Family Foundation.

November 14 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: “Chigirie” – Paper Collage

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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December 6 • Sunday – “The Way of *Taiko* - The Heartbeat of Japan” – *Taiko* Drum Workshop

Cost: \$50

Time: Three workshops to choose from - 10:15am – 12:15pm; 12:45 – 2:45pm; or 3 – 5pm

Location: Morikami Theater

Advance registration required

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December 10, 2009 • Thursday thru January 6, 2010 • Wednesday – Peaceful Holiday Season: Holiday Peace Tree
(All Ages)

Cost: Free with paid museum admission

Time: 10am – 5pm

Location: Morikami Museum Library

Reservations are not required

For more information, please call 561-495-0233.

Museum guests are invited to create origami doves for The Morikami's Holiday Peace Tree or to take them home for family and friends.

December 12 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: “Kirigami (paper cutting)” Ornament
(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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December 22, 2009 – March 7, 2010 – NEW EXHIBITION!

Ceramic Sculpture of Jun Kaneko

Jun Kaneko is an energetic contemporary artist whose large scale ceramic sculptures in the form of stylized human heads created a sensation last year when they appeared on Park Avenue in Manhattan. The artist's other works include seven-foot-tall, half-ton “dangos”, monolithic pieces that resemble the Japanese dumplings for which they are named. Seven dangos and two works titled “Head”, featuring dynamic, colorful patterns of lines and dots animating their glazed surfaces, appear in the show at The Morikami, along with other ceramic sculpture, drawings and paintings produced over two decades. Funded in part by the Henri and Tomoye Takahashi Charitable Foundation and the Mary Livingston Griggs and Mary Griggs Burke Foundation.

December 22 • Tuesday – January 5 • Tuesday - New Year's Calendar Making
(All ages)

Cost: Free with paid museum admission

Time: 10am – 5pm

Location: Museum Lobby

Reservations are not required

For more information, please call 561-495-0233.

January 10 • Sunday - Oshogatsu

Cost: \$10 adults, \$5 children (Museum members and children 3 and under FREE)

Time: 10am - 5pm

Location: Morikami Park - Rain or Shine

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Now in its 33rd year at The Morikami, Oshogatsu - the traditional New Year celebratory festival – is celebrated with games and entertainment throughout the museum and its gardens. The day's activities will include Japan's customary rice-pounding, making mochi rice cakes and a sado tea ceremony as well as kakizome, hands-on calligraphy; *nengajo*, New Year's card making and *omikuji*, fortune telling. Games like *hanetsuki*, similar to badminton, *fukuwari*, similar to pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey and appearances by *shishimai*, the lion dancer are sure to bring in good luck for the New Year!

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January 31 • Sunday – “The Way of Taiko - The Heartbeat of Japan” – Taiko Drum Workshop

Cost: \$50

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February 13 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: Valentine’s Accessory Making

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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February 28 • Sunday – “The Way of Taiko - The Heartbeat of Japan” – Taiko Drum Workshop

Cost: \$50

Time: Three workshops to choose from - 10:15am – 12:15pm; 12:45 – 2:45pm; or 3 – 5pm

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March 20 & 21 • Saturday/Sunday – Hatsume Fair

Cost: Adult \$12 / Children \$6 (4-17); Museum members and children 3 and under FREE

Time: 11am – 6pm

Location: Morikami Park – Rain or Shine

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The 31st annual Hatsume Fair promises to be a spectacular event for the entire family! Celebrating the first bud of spring, Hatsume, the Morikami’s largest annual event, transforms the normally tranquil Morikami Park into a unique Japanese spring festival. The event will feature three stages of continuous entertainment where guests can experience taiko drumming performances, martial art and bonsai demonstrations, cosplay contest and much more! Avenues of artisan booths, anime dealers, plant sales, Asian and American food vendors, the Kirin Beer Garden, children’s activities, and a Bonsai exploration area will also be featured and are sure to delight festival-goers.

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March 23 – June 13, 2010 - - NEW EXHIBITION!

Treasured Boxes: Masterpieces of Japanese Lacquerware

An applied art at which Japanese artisans excelled was that of lacquering. Essentially a means of water-proofing wood containers, in the hands of trained specialists in Japan it became something much, much more. This exhibition introduces Morikami visitors to Japanese lacquerware through 40 superb examples from the 18th and 19th centuries, including ornately decorated medicine cases, incense containers, document-storage boxes, writing sets, an incense game, and more from a local private collection. Funded in part by the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Mary Livingston Griggs and Mary Griggs Burke Foundation.

March 28 • Sunday – “The Way of *Taiko* - The Heartbeat of Japan” – *Taiko* Drum Workshop

Children’s Workshop - For ages 7 – 12

Cost: \$30

Time: Five workshops to choose from – 11:30am – 12:15pm; 1 – 1:45pm; 2 – 2:45pm; 3 – 3:45pm or 4 – 4:45pm

Location: Morikami Theater

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April 3 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: Accordion Book Making

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

Reservations are not required

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May 9 • Sunday – Family Fun Program: Mother’s Day Origami Card

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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May 14 • Friday - Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk Series

Cost: \$7 adults, \$5 children (4-17) (Museum members and children 3 and under FREE); \$2 for taiko performance (optional)

Time: 5:30 - 8:30pm

Reservations are not required.

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June 11 • Friday -- Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk Series

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June 20 • Sunday – Family Fun Program: Wind Chime Making

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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June 22 – October 17, 2010 – NEW EXHIBITION!

Kyoto: A Place in Art

Founded at the end of the 8th century, the city of Kyoto served as Japan's imperial capital for centuries, and continues to be regarded as its cultural capital today. This exhibition explores why this magical city remains the center of Japanese traditional culture. Works by painters representing art movements closely associated with Kyoto, Kyoto textiles, photographs of Kyoto gardens by one of Japan's best known photographers, woodblock prints, ceramics, and more make up this exhibition, which includes a pair of 18th century folding screens depicting in fascinating detail the lives of the city's inhabitants from all parts of the social spectrum. Funded in part by the Mary Livingston Griggs and Mary Griggs Burke Foundation.

July 7 • Wednesday thru Wednesday July 14 – Tanabata

Cost: Free with museum admission

Time: 10am – 5pm

Reservations are not required

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Tanabata traces its origins to a legend about the Cowherd Star (Altair) and the Weaver Star (Vega), lovers separated by the Milky Way, that are allowed to meet just once a year -- on the seventh day of the seventh month. In Japan, children and adults write their wishes on narrow strips of colored paper known as *tanzaku*, and hang them - along with other paper ornaments, on bamboo branches placed in the backyards or entrances of their homes. Mirroring that tradition, visitors to the museum can write their own special wishes for the future and place them on *Tanabata* bamboo in the museum lobby.

July 9 • Friday -- Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk Series

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July 10 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: Fan Making

(All ages)

Cost: \$2 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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August 14 • Saturday – Bon Festival

Cost: Adult \$10; Children \$5 (4-17); Museum members and children 3 and under FREE

Time: 5 - 9pm

Location: Morikami Park – Rain or Shine

(Please note that The Morikami will be closed during normal hours of operation on this day and will open at 5:00pm for the event)

Inspired by Obon, Japan's traditional three-day holiday honoring ancestors and thanking them for the quality of life enjoyed by the living, The Morikami will celebrate the 32nd annual Bon Festival in one fun-packed evening. Entertainment will include rousing taiko drum performances, traditional Japanese folk dancing with audience participation and a street fair with games and vendor booths. The highlight of the evening will begin at sunset when the lake surrounded by majestic gardens will be transformed into a tranquil sea of lighted lanterns that, in accordance with Japanese custom, guide the departure of ancestors' souls who have come for a brief visit among the living. A special fireworks display will cap the enchanting evening.

August 20 • Friday -- Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk Series

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September 11 • Saturday – Family Fun Program: Origami for the Peace

(All ages)

Cost: \$1 with paid museum admission

Time: 11am – 3pm

Location: Classroom A

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