Seasonal Flowers Painted in Pictures

Flowers beguile the seasons with scent and color. Since painting began, people have used the brush to capture the fleeting beauty of flowers. This exhibition features flowers and fruits painted by Yokoyama Taikan, Hishida Shunsō, and other masters of modern Japanese painting. Even at this moment of year, these pictures allow you to enjoy the passing seasons of Japan.

The theme of Section 1 is Seasonal Flowers and Fruit. Paintings here include Kayama Matazō's signature work Oboro, a magical depiction of a weeping cherry at night, Yokoyama Taikan's Momo, a vivid rendering of



peaches on the tree, and Hayami Gyoshū's *Zansetsu-zu*, which shows narcissus flowering while the snow remains. Moving from scene to scene of this calendar of flowers, you can appreciate the colorful bounty of nature through the passing seasons.

Section 2 is titled 'Painting the Seasons of Japan'. In this single space, you can enjoy an annual round of the beauty of nature as the months progress. In the innovative composition of Setsugetsuka, three painters — Takeuchi Seihō, Yokoyama Taikan, and Kawai Gyokudō — collaborated to harmoniously convey the essence of summer, spring, and winter. Meanwhile, in its many finely detailed depictions of plants and animals, a single work by Imao Keinen, Amarimono Hyakushu, represents all the seasons.

Section 3 Ephemeral Nature in Kyoto features work by Nakamura Nanami. Showing flowers that bloom and then loose their petals, greenery that sprouts and burgeons, rather than illustrating the snapshot view of photography, this contemporary artist living in Kyoto aims to show the flow of time. Feel free to linger over the everchanging natural scenery of Kyoto depicted on a large seven-meter wide composition.







Imao Keinen "Flowers, Birds and Leftovers"

Exhibition Overview

Title Seasonal Flowers Painted in Pictures

April 24 (Sat.) 2021 to July 4 (Sun.), 2021

Dates 1st Period: April 24 (Sat.) to May 31 (Mon.) 2021

2nd Period: June 2 (Wed.) to July 4 (Sun.) 2021

Opening

10:00 am – 5:00 pm (last entry 4:30 pm)

Tuesdays, June 16

Closed *Temporarily closed from April 26 until the State of Emergency is

canceled

General / University student: ¥900 (¥800)

High school student: ¥500 (¥400)

Elementary / Junior high school student: ¥300 (¥250)

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General / University student: ¥2,000

High school student: ¥1,000

Entry fee Elementary / Junior high school student: ¥550

Disabled person and up to one helper: ¥1,000

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* Prices in parentheses are for groups of 20 or more.

* Free for preschool children

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