

# Japan Cultural Months

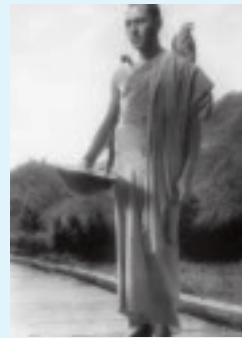
## October-December 2010

### FILM FESTIVAL



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Kon Ichikawa (November 20, 1915 – February 13, 2008) was born in Ise, Mie Prefecture and graduated from Tokyo University. In a career spanning over six decades, Ichikawa made films in different genres, such as, documentaries, war films, mysteries and dramas, many of which won international acclaim.



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Oct 4-8	<b>Retrospective of Kon Ichikawa Films:</b> THE HARP OF BURMA, THE MAKIOKA SISTERS, NIHONBASHI, BONCHI, THE CONFLAGRATION, OUTCAST.	South Indian Film Chambers of Commerce, Chennai	Consulate General of Japan, Chennai (CGoJ-Chennai)
Oct 29 - Nov 2		Mumbai	Consulate General of Japan, Mumbai (CGoJ-Mumbai)
Nov 12-19		Nandan, Kolkata	Consulate General of Japan, Kolkata (CGoJ-Kolkata)

### CONTESTS

Mombusho Scholars Association of India (MOSAI) will conduct the 23rd Northern Region Japanese Language Speech Contest this October. The contest is conducted



at two levels, i.e., Senior and Junior. Students from Japanese language institutions in Delhi and other cities in the region will participate.

Oct 23 **23rd Northern Region Japanese Speech Contest** WWF Auditorium, Max Mueller Marg, New Delhi MOSAI Free

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#### ORIGAMI

Origami is a traditional Japanese pastime where a single square of paper is folded in different ways to create shapes like cute animals and beautiful plants.

Tagore International School and Embassy of Japan will be organizing the 6th Origami Contest. The participants compete in categories of 'solo/group' and 'teachers',



and display their skills in folding paper imaginatively and creatively. Prizes are awarded to the best creations from each category.

Oct 28 **6th Origami Contest** Tagore International School (TIS), Vasant Vihar, New Delhi TIS & Embassy of Japan (EoJ) Prior Registration

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CSKM School will be conducting an intra school Model presentation competition. Group consist of 3 students, will present their Model on cities of Japan and try to convince why their City is the best. There will be three categories: Sub-junior (Class VI, VII), Junior (Class VIII) and Senior (Class IX).

Nov 4 **Model Cities of Japan - Intra School Competition** CSKM School Complex, Satbari, Mehrauli, New Delhi-74 CSKM School Prior Registration

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Ship for World Youth Alumni Association-India (SWYAA-India) will organize an Origami workshop from 8th -13th November, 2010 at the Basti Vikas Kendra, Nangalraya area in west Delhi with twenty underprivileged children from slums. At the end of workshop, children will display their models in an exhibition and a contest will be held on the 13th.



Nov 13 **Origami Contest for underprivileged children** Basti Vikas Kendra, Nangalraya, New Delhi SWYAA-India

(For details contact: ravi@swyaa-india.in)

The Inter-School Quiz Contest on Japan, organized by the Embassy of Japan in New Delhi, is becoming popular year-by year. The questions will be based on landmarks of history, geographical features, prominent personalities of art, culture and sports, heritage monuments, and also about contemporary Japan. Teams will participate in a written test, and the top teams with highest scores will go to Semi Finals and then to Finals.



Nov 26 **7th Japan Quiz Contest** Sai International Auditorium, Lodi Road, New Delhi EoJ Prior Registration

(For details contact: 41605333 or info@quizcraft.in)

## DEMONSTRATIONS/WORKSHOPS



### BONSAI

*Bonsai is the art of dwarfing trees or plants by growing them in containers and training them in line with certain aesthetic ideals.* PORTULACARIA AFRA is a popular succulent garden plant in use around the world. It is also called the small leaf jade. It is quite easily grown plant and often used for bonsai.

Oct 20 **Bonsai Demo and talk on Portulacaria Afra (Jade Plant) by Mrs Shyama Balbir** Indian Bonsai Association By invitation

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### IKEBANA

*Ikebana is the Japanese art of flower arrangement, also known as Kado, the way of flowers. This traditional art focuses on the choice of plant material in relation to the container and the surrounding space.* Ikebana International Association Gurgaon Chapter is organizing two events: demonstrations by Mrs. Ratna Guha, a Sogetsu master, and Mrs. Indira Misra, a second term master of Ohara school (Oct) and by Ohara masters (Nov). Delhi Ikebana International will organize Ikebana demonstration to celebrate Diwali – Festival of Lights (Oct)



and Ikebana Morning (Nov) to showcase the works of famous potter Mr Pandit of Mumbai. SWYAA-India will organize an Ikebana contest for school children. Sogetsu School will organize a workshop by Mrs Veena Dass, who studied Sogetsu style under the tutelage of Sofu Teshigahara and holds a Riji degree. Sogetsu will also be inviting Mrs. Yuriko Omata Jobst to conduct a demonstration and workshop in Delhi. Mrs. Jobst learnt Ikenobo style of Ikebana in Tokyo and Kyoto and held demonstrations, exhibitions in Switzerland, Germany and India.

Oct 23 **Ikebana Demonstration by Mrs Ratna Guha & Mrs Indira Misra** Lagoon Club, Ambience Mall, Gurgaon Ikebana International Gurgaon Chapter By invitation

(For details contact: savitasahni@rocketmail.com)

Nov 11 **Ikebana Demonstration: "Repeating Similar Forms and Shapes" by Mrs. Veena Dass** Japan Sogetsu School Foundation Auditorium By invitation

(For details contact: 9810099489)

Oct 27 **Ikebana Demonstration: Festivity and Ikebana** Qutub Hotel, New Delhi Delhi Ikebana International By invitation

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Nov 18 **Ikebana Morning** Gadaipur Bandh Road, Chattarpur, New Delhi 30 Delhi Ikebana International By invitation

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Nov 20 **Ikebana Demonstration by Masters of Ohara School** Lagoon Club, Ambience Mall, Gurgaon Ikebana International Gurgaon Chapter By invitation

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Nov 20 **Ikebana Contest for school children** Ingraham Institute, Hapur Road, Ghaziabad SWYAA-India and Ingraham Institute

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Nov 22 **Ikebana Demonstration by Mrs Yuriko Omata Jobst** Japan Foundation Sogetsu, EoJ By invitation

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Nov 23 **Ikebana Workshop By Mrs Yuriko Omata Jobst** Japan Foundation Sogetsu, EoJ By invitation

(For more information, please contact: Tel: 98112-92020)

Nov 22-24 **Ikebana Exhibition** Japan Foundation Sogetsu, EoJ Free

## EXHIBITIONS

Madhu Jain, an acclaimed artist, researched and studied Nihonga - a Japanese style of painting in Japan. She adapted this technique to create her own style & expression, depicting rural folks of India. She held her solo exhibitions in Tokyo, Singapore and San Francisco, USA.



Oct 29-31 **Eco Art – Nihonga - a kaleidoscope of experiments by Mrs Madhu Jain** 11 am - 8 pm

(For more information, please contact: madhu@madhujain.com)

Epicentre, Apparel House, Sector 44, Gurgaon Mrs. Madhu Jain Free

In Japan, dolls have been a part of everyday life since ancient times. Japanese dolls reflect the customs of Japan and the aspirations of its people, possess distinctive regional attributes, and over the centuries have



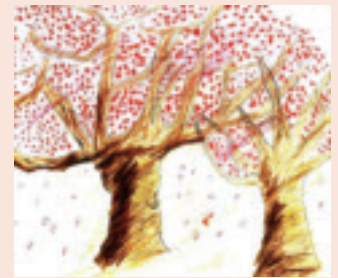
developed in many diverse forms.



Nov 13-21 **Exhibition of Japanese Dolls (Exhibition of Ikenobo Ikebana)** Pune Indo Japanese Association (IJA), CGoJ-Mumbai, Japan Foundation Free

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The paintings by Indian children depict nature, wildlife, their aspirations, habitation, friends and family and by Japanese children introduce Japan



through their festivals, food, flowers, games and cherry blossoms.

Nov 20 **Exhibition of paintings made by Indian and Japanese children** Ingraham Institute, Hapur Road, Ghaziabad SWYAA-India and Ingraham Institute Free

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Nov 26-27 **Exhibition of Calligraphy and Painting on Ono no Komachi's Waka** 10 am-6 pm

(For details contact: ijalc2006@hotmail.com)

Japan Foundation Indo- Japan Association for Literature & Culture Free

## PERFORMANCES/CONCERTS

The DPS Society has been active in promoting Japanese language education in its member schools. DPS RK Puram is organizing Origami collage, Calligraphy, Quiz, Japanese Tongue Twister, Singing, Fancy Dress competitions.

Oct 30	<b>'Nihon No Kaori - The Fragrance of Japan'</b>	DPS R K Puram, New Delhi	DPS Society, DPS R K Puram, EoJ, JICA, Japan Foundation	Prior Registration
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Five top Asian jazz musicians will create a unique jazz full of energy that transcends nation, culture and musical genre which touches the heart of the audiences.

Nov 15	<b>Unit Asia Jazz Concert:</b> Isao Sankichi Miyoshi (guitar), Hiroyuki Noritake (drums), Shigeki Ippon (bass), Malaysia's Tay Cher Siang (piano) and Thailand's Koh, Mr. Saxman (saxophone)	Satyajit Ray Auditorium, RTC, ICCR, Kolkata	CGoJ-Kolkata, Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR)	By invitation
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Chindon'ya also called Japanese marching band are a type of elaborately costumed street musicians in Japan that advertise for shops and other establishments.



Nov 22 11.30 am~	<b>Chindon Kisuke – Street Theatre Performance</b>	Japan Foundation	EoJ, Sogetsu	Free
Nov 23 10 am 11.30 am		Amity International School, Mayur Vihar Phase I and Vasundhara	EoJ, Amity International Schools	By invitation
Nov 24 1.30 pm~		Japanese School, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi	EoJ, Japanese School	By invitation

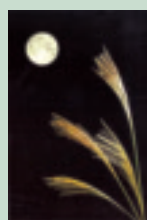


Okinawa is a tiny group of islands in Southern part of Japan, which has fostered unique culture that is so distinct from mainland Japan. The performing arts of Okinawa are an amalgam of the best of art styles from different lands that is mainland Japan, China, South East Asia, etc.

Dec 6	<b>Okinawa Traditional Dance and Music Concert by Okinawa Culture Association</b>	NDRI Auditorium, Karnal	JF, NIFAA	Free
Dec 9		Siri Fort Auditorium, New Delhi	JF, ICCR, Delhi International Arts Festival	Free

## SYMPOSIUMS/POETRY SESSION/BOOK RELEASES

Nov 12 4-6:30 pm	<b>Book Release &amp; Discussion</b> on <b>ウルドゥー詩の花束:</b> उर्दू शाहरी का गुलदस्ता	Japan Foundation	Indo- Japan Association for Literature & Culture	By invitation
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Otsukimi refers to the Japanese tradition of holding parties to view the harvest moon, especially by the Japanese aristocrats during the Heian period, who would gather to recite Poetry under the full moon. The custom of Tsukimi (moon viewing), Hanami (cherry blossom viewing) and Yukimi (snow viewing) have the equal status in Japan. The poets from both India and Japan will recite their poems on this theme.

Nov 16 4.00 pm~	<b>India Japan Poetry Session</b> on <b>'Chaand ke Paar'</b> celebrating Otsukimi (moon viewing) festival	India International Centre Conference Room II, New Delhi	ICJC	By invitation
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Nov 26 10 am-5 pm	<b>Symposium on Japanese Literature:</b> Reinterpreting Matsuo Basho and Ishigaki Rin	Japan Foundation	Indo- Japan Association for Literature & Culture	By invitation
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