



久保修 切り絵ワークショップ

Kirie (Japanese paper cutting) workshop by Shu Kubo

Date: Tuesday April 24, 2012

Time: 2:15pm - 4:15pm

Place: LaGuardia Community College (Poolside Cafe)

MR. SHU KUBO, KIRIE ARTIST (FROM HIS PORTFOLIO)

Mr. Shu Kubo is a Japan's contemporary artist whose work has appeared on postage stamps and on New Year's greeting cards in Japan. In 2009, he was appointed as Special Advisor for Cultural Exchange of the Agency of Cultural Affairs by the Japanese Government.

Kubo creates the paper cutouts using handmade Japanese washi paper, which is dyed a variety of colors. He approaches the paper sheet by sheet, creating a two dimensional work by precisely cutting fine lines with a knife. Kubo has recently expanded his techniques by combining washi with Western paper materials, resulting in quite remarkable three-dimension works. Also, by layering multiple layers of ultra-thin washi, an original color scheme is developed adding texture and flair to the subject.

The themes explored in Kubo's work are largely 'Japonism on Paper.' He captures the dynamics of the seasonal traditions of Japanese life and food in a fresh and beautiful new way. His work has gained a wide appreciation among the Japanese, especially with children.

A kirie workshop by Kubo will be held at LaGuardia Community College as part of the annual Asian Heritage Celebration in 2012. Mr. Kubo's workshop is also co-sponsored by the U.S.-Japan Cherry Blossom Centennial project of the Consulate-General of Japan in New York. A ceremony to celebrate the centennial of the sakura (cherry) tree will be held at the courtyard before Mr. Kubo's kirie workshop. The workshop is free to LaGuardia students/staff. Those who are not affiliated with LaGuardia CC need to contact Tomonori Nagano at tnagano@lagcc.cuny.edu / 718-482-5484. Seats are limited to 30. RSVP at <http://bit.ly/yTMOK4> Introductory videos to his workshop are available at <http://bit.ly/kuboshu>

