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## CONSULATE-GENERAL OF JAPAN IN CHICAGO

### List of Cultural Organizations (Last updated: 4/2020)

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### Arts & Crafts

#### **Bonsai**

##### Clubs

- American Bonsai Society
  - <http://www.absbonsai.org/>
- Badger Bonsai Society (Madison, WI)
  - <http://badgerbonsai.wordpress.com/>
- Bay Area Bonsai Society (Green Bay, WI)
  - <http://www.bayareabonsaisociety.org/>
- Bonsai Society of Greater Kansas City (Kansas City, MO/KS)
  - <http://bsgkc.org/>
- Bonsai Society of Greater St. Louis (St. Louis, MO)
  - <http://www.stlbonsai.org/>
- Fort Wayne Bonsai Club (Fort Wayne, IN)
  - <http://fortwaynebonsai.com/>
- Fox Valley Bonsai Society (Menasha, WI)
  - <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Fox-Valley-BonsaiSociety/600030593371214?ref=stream>
- Golden Arrow Bonsai (Deadwood, SD)
  - <http://www.goldenarrowbonsai.com/goldenarrowbonsai.com/Home.html>
- Indianapolis Bonsai Club (Indianapolis, IN)
  - <http://www.indybonsai.org/>

- Internet Bonsai Club
  - <http://www.internetbonsaiclub.org/>
- Iowa Bonsai Association
  - <http://iabonsai.org/about-us/>
- Nebraska Bonsai Society (Omaha, NE)
  - <http://nebonsai.blogspot.com/>
- National Bonsai Foundation
  - <https://www.bonsai-nbf.org/>
- Midwest Bonsai Society
  - <http://www.midwestbonsai.org/>
- Mid-America Bonsai Alliance
  - <http://www.mababonsai.org/>
- Milwaukee Bonsai Society (Milwaukee, WI)
  - <http://www.milwaukeebonsai.org/>
- Minnesota Bonsai Society (Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN)
  - <http://www.minnesotabonsaisociety.org/>
- Ozarks Bonsai Club (Springfield, MO)
  - <http://ozarksbonsai.com/>
- Prairie State Bonsai Society (Western Chicago Suburbs, IL)
  - <http://www.prairiestatebonsai.com/>
- Springfield Bonsai Society (Springfield, IL)
  - <http://www.bonsaisbs.com/>

#### Public Collections

- Chicago Botanic Garden Bonsai Collection (Glencoe, IL)
  - <https://www.chicagobotanic.org/gardens/bonsai>
- Como Park Conservatory Bonsai (St. Paul, MN)
  - <https://comozooconservatory.org/bonsai-and-the-japanese-garden/>
- Des Moines Botanical Center (Des Moines, IA)
  - <http://www.dmbotanicalgarden.com/explore-the-gardens/plant-collections/>

## Suppliers

- BC Bonsai
    - <http://www.bcbonsai.com/>
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## Calligraphy

- Japanese American Service Committee
    - <https://www.jasc-chicago.org/> (New Year's Calligraphy Kids' Camp)
  - Japanese Culture Center (Chicago, IL)
    - <http://www.japaneseculturecenter.com/shodo-calligraphy/>
  - Oda Japanese Calligraphy School
    - <http://www.shodousa.com/>
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## Haiku

- Chi-ku (Evanston, IL)
    - President Mr. Charles Trumbull
      - 847-328-7620
      - [trumbull@interaccess.com](mailto:trumbull@interaccess.com)
  - Haiku Society of America – Midwest Region
    - <http://www.hsa-haiku.org/regions/midwest.htm>
  - Haiku North America
    - <http://www.haikunorthamerica.com/>
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## Ikebana

- Chicago Chapter of Ohara School of Ikebana (Naperville, IL)
  - <http://www.oharachicago.com/>
  - Annika Au
    - 630-788-3366
- Illinois Prairie Chapter of Ikenobo Ikebana Society of America
  - <http://prairieikebana.org/>
- Ikebana International – Chicago Chapter
  - <http://www.chicagoikebana.org/home>
- Ikebana International –Minnesota Chapter
  - <http://ikebana-minneapolis-stpaul.com/>

- Kansas City Ikebana
    - <https://www.facebook.com/KCIkebana>
  - Yuko Inoue Darcy – Ohara School of Ikebana
    - [yukochicago@hotmail.com](mailto:yukochicago@hotmail.com)
    - 312-415-0094
  - Ikebana on Halsted - Ohara School of Ikebana Chicago
    - Margot Wang (Chicago, IL)
      - 773-683-6040
      - [IKEBANAonHalsted@gmail.com](mailto:IKEBANAonHalsted@gmail.com)
      - <https://www.facebook.com/IKEBANAonHalsted/>
  - Sogetsu School of Japanese Flower Arrangement
    - Toshiko Kolback (Arlington Heights, IL)
      - 847-800-6954
      - [tshkolb23@gmail.com](mailto:tshkolb23@gmail.com)
    - Miho Ito (Glenview, IL)
      - 847-542-7212
      - [taikansogetsuschool@gmail.com](mailto:taikansogetsuschool@gmail.com)
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### **Netsuke/Inro/Ojime**

- Janel Jacobson – Carving artist based in St. Paul, Minnesota
    - <http://www.janeljacobson.com/index.html>
  - Norman L. Sanfield – Internetsuke based in Chicago, IL
    - <http://www.internetsuke.com/contactus/default.asp>
  - President of the International Netsuke Society, Chicago Chapter
    - <http://www.netsuke.org/Default.aspx?pagelid=1125415>
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### **Origami**

- CHAOS – Chicago Area Origami Society (Chicago, IL)
  - President Robert C. Smith
    - <http://home.earthlink.net/~robertcubie/origami/chaos.html>
- IRON Folders, Indianapolis Regional Origami Network of Folders (Indianapolis, IN),
  - President Brian K. Webb
    - <http://www.ironfolders.com/>
- Japanese American Services Committee Chicago (Chicago, IL)

- Kay Kawaguchi
    - 773-275-0097 ext. 226
    - <https://www.jasc-chicago.org/cultural-programs/classes-and-programs/classes-and-programs/art-classes/>
  - OPA - Origami Peoria Area (Peoria, IL)
    - President Kathy Knapp
      - <http://origamiusa.org/origami-group/opa-origami-peoria-area>
  - Origami St Louis (Chesterfield, MO)
    - President Dawn Tucker
      - <http://origamiusa.org/origami-group/origami-st-louis>
  - Origami USA
    - <http://origamiusa.org/>
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### **Sumi-e (Brush Painting)**

- Japanese American Service Committee
    - <https://www.jasc-chicago.org/cultural-programs/classes-and-programs/classes-and-programs/art-classes/>
  - Patricia Larkin Green – Sumi-e and oil painter
    - <http://patricialarkingreen.com/>
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### **Suminagashi (“Floating Ink” Painting)**

- Pamela Martinez
    - <http://designmartinez.com/>
  - Milena Hughes Studio (Evanston)
    - 847-328-7534
    - [milena@interaccess.com](mailto:milena@interaccess.com)
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### **Textile/Shibori**

- Art Institute of Chicago Collection
  - <http://www.artic.edu/aic/collections/artwork/category/36?page=1>
- Jay Rich, World Shibori Network
  - <http://shibori.org/members/jayrich/>

- Akemi Nakano Cohn
    - <http://akeminakanocohn.blogspot.com/>
  - Mary Zicafoose, World Shibori Network
    - <http://www.maryzicafoose.com/index.php>
  - Urban Threads Studio, Shibori dyeing workshop (Chicago, IL)
    - Christian Ortiz
    - <http://urbanthreadsstudio.com/>
  - Shibori Studio
    - [shiboriorie@gmail.com](mailto:shiboriorie@gmail.com)
    - 773-354-0053
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## Drawing Anime

- Japanese Culture Center (Chicago, IL)
  - Derrick Fields
    - [derrick@wakingoni.com](mailto:derrick@wakingoni.com)
    - <https://japaneseculturecenter.com/event/introduction-to-drawing-anime-manga-drop-in-november/>