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## CONSULATE-GENERAL OF JAPAN IN CHICAGO

### **List of Cultural Organizations (Last updated: 12/2022)**

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### **Arts & Crafts**

#### **Bonsai**

##### Clubs

- American Bonsai Society
  - <http://www.absbonsai.org>
- Badger Bonsai Society (Madison, WI)
  - <https://badgerbonsai.net/>
- 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.com/>
- 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://mababonsai.org/about.html>
- 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)
  - <https://prairiestatebonsai.com/>
- Springfield Bonsai Society (Springfield, IL)
  - <https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldBonsaiSociety/>

#### 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/como/bonsai-collection/>
- Des Moines Botanical Center (Des Moines, IA)
  - <https://www.dmbotanicalgarden.com/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
    - <https://hekiunoda.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
  - <https://ikebanaoharachicago.org>
  - Classes
    - Yuko Inoue-Darcy / Chicago ([yukochicago@hotmail.com](mailto:yukochicago@hotmail.com))
    - E-Ling Lou / Naperville ([mahalo807@yahoo.com](mailto:mahalo807@yahoo.com))
    - Annika Au / Naperville ([annikaau@live.com](mailto:annikaau@live.com))
    - Margot Wang / Chicago ([margot.wang@gmail.com](mailto:margot.wang@gmail.com))
- Illinois Prairie Chapter of Ikenobo Ikebana Society of America
  - <http://prairieikebana.org/>
- Ikebana International – Chicago Chapter
  - <https://www.chicagoikebana.org/>

- Ikebana International –Minnesota Chapter
  - <https://ikebana-minneapolis-stpaul.com/>
- Kansas City Ikebana
  - <https://www.facebook.com/KCIkebana>
- Sogetsu School of Japanese Flower Arrangement Classes
  - 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)

### **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; President of the International Netsuke Society, Chicago Chapter
  - <http://www.internetsuke.com/contactus/default.asp>
  - [norman@sandfield.org](mailto:norman@sandfield.org)

### **Origami**

- CHAOS – Chicago Area Origami Society (Chicago, IL)
  - <https://www.chaorigami.org/>
- IRON Folders, Indianapolis Regional Origami Network of Folders (Indianapolis, IN),
  - <https://origamiusa.org/origami-group/iron-folders-indianapolis-regional-origami-network-folders>
- 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>
- Akemi Nakano Cohn
  - <http://akeminakanocohn.blogspot.com/>
- Mary Zicafoose, World Shibori Network
  - <http://www.maryzicafoose.com/index.php>
- Christian Ortiz (fiber artist and art educator)
  - <https://www.christianortizstudio.com/home>
- Shibori Studio
  - [shiboriorie@gmail.com](mailto:shiboriorie@gmail.com)
  - 773-354-0053

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## Drawing Manga-

- Manga Art Studio
  - <https://mangaartstudio.com/>