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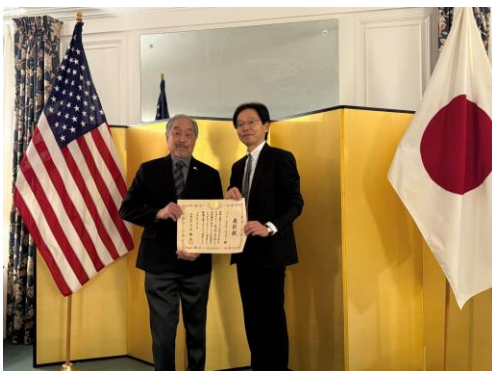
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The 2024 Foreign Minister's Commendation Award Ceremony in honor of Dr. John Tadao Teramoto

On Wednesday, January 29, an Award Ceremony for the 2024 Foreign Minister's Commendation was held at the Official Residence of the Consul-General of Japan in Chicago in honor of Dr. John Tadao Teramoto. The Foreign Minister's Commendation was presented to Dr. Teramoto by Consul-General Jun Yanagi.

For over 20 years, Dr. Teramoto worked as Curator at the Indianapolis Museum of Art as a specialist in Japanese art. In addition to his contributions to the Indianapolis Museum of Art's esteemed Japanese art collection, he opened many top-quality temporary and permanent Japanese art exhibitions, which helped to further the understanding of Japan among the Museum's patrons, whose numbers exceed 400,000 annually. Through his many lectures and written publications, Dr. Teramoto has contributed to a greater understanding of Japanese art among a wide audience, including the academic community. He has also supported the Japan-US friendship by helping coordinate touring exhibitions of Japanese art from the Indianapolis Museum of Art collection throughout Japan, including in Indiana's sister-state, Tochigi Prefecture.

Dr. John Tadao Teramoto, his family and friends attended the ceremony. Consul-General Yanagi delivered remarks and presented Dr. Teramoto with the certificate and commemorative gift awarded by the Foreign Minister. Dr. Teramoto accepted the award with his own remarks, followed by congratulatory remarks from a close friend and colleague.



Presentation of the Certificate
(Foreign Minister's Commendation)



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