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### JCCCNC presents SHIKISHI DEMONSTRATION

San Francisco (*November 24, 2009*) - The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) presents a Shikishi Demonstration by Hirokazu Kosaka, Director of Visual Arts and Curator of the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center of Los Angeles (JACCC) on the various ways to decorate a shikishi, a Japanese style art board. This demonstration will be held on Monday, December 14, from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.

Over the past 13 years, JACCC has been sponsoring an annual shikishi exhibit to celebrate the New Year. This year, JCCCNC will also welcome in 2010 by inaugurating its own shikishi exhibit and will welcome entries for the exhibit.

The theme of your shikishi should either be based on next year's zodiac sign of the tiger or a wish or dream you have for the coming year. You do not have to be an artist or have any art background to submit an entry. It is preferable that your entry be something that you feel is important to you and you are free to use any medium you wish.



Hirokazu has generously volunteered to share examples of previous entries to shikishi exhibits and will be demonstrating his own artistic creations during his time at JCCCNC.

The event is open and free to the public. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

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#### About the JCCCNC

Envisioned by the Japanese American community, JCCCNC will be an everlasting foundation of our Japanese American ancestry, cultural heritage, histories and traditions. The JCCCNC strives to meet the evolving needs of the Japanese American community through programs, affordable services and administrative support and facilities for other local service organizations. The JCCCNC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit community center based in San Francisco.