JCCCNC Presents Japanese Paper Mask and Doll Making Workshop

San Francisco (September 4, 2015) – The Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California (JCCCNC) will be hosting a special workshop on traditional Japanese papier-mâché masks and doll making. This hands-on workshop will be held on Sunday, September 27th from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. at the JCCCNC on 1840 Sutter Street in San Francisco.

This special one-time workshop will be led by Hanjiro Sawafuji from Iwate, Japan. Mr. Sawafuji is a master of the craft and has over 50 years of experience. Participants will have the opportunity to create their very own papier-mâché mask and Rokuhara Hariko doll. Rokuhara refers to the region in the Iwate prefecture that this particular craft originates from and Hariko is the Japanese word for papier-mâché. These whimsical figures and wall hangings conjure Japanese history, fantasy, and lore. These dolls are often considered tokens of good luck and are sought after collectibles available in craft stores throughout Japan.

The registration fee for JCCNC members is $95 and the cost for the general public will be $115. A portion of all registration fees will benefit and support local artists and their daily lives in the Tohoku, or the northern Japan region, many whom are still recovering from the devastation that occurred during the 2011 Northern Japan earthquake and tsunami. To register for this special workshop visit http://bit.ly/japanesecrafts or call (415) 567-5505. For more information, call Matt Okada at (415) 567-5505 or email mokada@jccnc.org.

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About the JCCNC

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