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## A Thought about the “Objective of Education” Essay by Dr. Inazo Nitobe

**SASAKI Tsuyoshi, Professor, Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology, and  
Director, the Minato UNESCO Association**



Dr. Inazo Nitobe is well known for his remark, “I wish to be a bridge across the Pacific Ocean.” I trust many UNESCO association members are aware of this remark. Having been a man of cultural and international mindsets, he authored the legendary book “Bushido,” and introduced Japan’s culture to many foreign countries. He also took an active role in the League of Nations as Assistant Secretary General. In addition, he helped with the foundation of the International Committee on Intellectual Cooperation (ICIC) which was the president of the UNESCO.

At the same time, Nitobe was highly respected for his scholastic achievements. For example, he learned agricultural policy and applied the knowledge to the restoration of agricultural policy in Taiwan, thereby enhancing the economic affluence of Taiwan. He also served as the principal of the Dai-ichi High School, today’s Faculty of Liberal Arts in the University of Tokyo, and as the president of the Tokyo Woman’s Christian University. He was a great educator who produced many promising graduates.

Among Nitobe’s many publications, I’m especially interested in his philosophy about education. The “Objective of Education,” among others, was written to express his wish, while on tenure as the Principal of the Dai-ichi school, that the students acquire knowledge of liberal arts. He classified the objective of education into the following five categories:

1. Education for profession
2. Education for leisure
3. Education for ornament
4. Education for the quest of truth
5. Education for enhancing personality

I’d like to elaborate on the fifth category “Education for enhancing personality.” Personality refers to the vertical relationship where an individual objectively perceives the “transcendental person” and himself, and passes his own judgement and takes necessary action. Nitobe asserted that, based on the vertical relationship, it is necessary to establish a horizontal relationship, namely sociality or a man-to-man relationship.

Maeda Tamon, who was among the students Nitobe taught at the Dai-ichi school, and who made an initial effort to enable Japan’s participation into the UNESCO, gave the following remark in his memoir:

Dr. Nitobe was respected not only as the principal of the Dai-ichi High School but also as the top-notch educator in social studies. He always emphasized the importance for his students to establish a horizontal relationship in addition to a horizontal relationship. He wanted each of us to get together and cooperate horizontally so as to establish a good society. (To be continued on P. 2)

Hands-on Cultural Workshop Committee Program  
Craft and Fly Kites

Date :Saturday December the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022  
Venue:Aoyama Public Elementary School  
Instructor: FUKUOKA Masami  
Executive Director, Kite Museum  
Participation Fee:500 yen

The number of participants:42 people

**Contents :**

- ①History of Kite
- ②Demonstration by the instructor
- ③Draw pictures on Japanese paper
- ④Glue the Japanese paper on the bamboo frame
- ⑤Fly our own kites



**Comment :**

The 42 people participated in the Kite program. We made our own Ei-kites to fly by ourselves. It was heart-warm time for us to see the parents and children working together. Mr. Fukuoka explained, “people write their boy’s name on the surface of kites to wish the boy could grow big to the sky” Then, some people wrote their son’s name on the kites. We enjoyed flying our kites, under the blue sky on the beautiful artificial green grass on the ground. Mr. Fukuoka teaches flying kite in many places in Japan, furthermore, he joins flying contests all over the world. Taking opportunities, we would like to show our appreciation to Mr. Fukuoka.

*(Written by HIRAKATA Kazuyo, Director, and translated by KODAMA Tomoko, the PR & Internet Committee)*

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**(Continued from P. 1) A Thought about the “Objective of Education” Essay by Dr. Inazo Nitobe**

Dr. Nitobe was keenly aware of the urgent need for Japanese people to acquire, as an essential part of liberal arts, the value of sociality or social volunteer services.

The way of life, where personality is emphasized, will enrich the life of each individual. At the same time, the attitude to sustain a horizontal relationship, where people respect mutually the personality or sociality status, will invite a rich society.

I believe that Dr. Nitobe’s concept of personality and sociality is still valid for our society. The world is facing multiple difficult challenges today. I’d like to put into practice the said horizontal and vertical relationships in daily life, and strive to realize a societal well-being by cooperating with many friends.

*(Translated by TANAHASHI S., the PR & Internet Committee)*

## Donation to Mindanao Children's Library Foundation, Inc. (MCLF)

Date : November 24, 2022

Staff : Ms. Imamura, Ms. Isobe, Ms. Okumura (Ms. Watanabe participated in up until last year)

### About Mindanao Children's Library Foundation (MCLF)

MCLF is a locally established corporation founded in 2002 by Mr. Matsui on the farmland at the foot of Mt. Apo, a suburb of Kidapawan City, located in the center of Mindanao Island, the Philippines. Their main activities are as follows:

- (1) Storytelling and reading to local children and to indigenous, Muslim, and refugee children
- (2) Support for scholarship students
- (3) Medical support
- (4) Construction support of nursery
- (5) Afforestation support, and others

Scholarship students and young children from different religions and different tribes live and study together and participate in various activities. These activities are made possible by donations from a large number of supporters from Japan.

### Relationship between Minato UNESCO Association (MUA) and MCLF

In October 2005, Mr. Matsui gave a lecture at the International Scientific Council on the theme of "MCLF Operations and Medical Activities in Mindanao, where Terrorism and Fighting Continue". It was the first time that we learned about the reality of conflicts and dire poverty in Mindanao. Immediately, we started supporting activities. Some of the MUA members contributed money. Some members brought donated items to the MUA office. Some even asked their friends and sent donated items in boxes to the MUA office.

Regarding the shipping, we pack shoes, stationery, clothes, daily necessities in the designated cardboard boxes, and then, we ship boxes to Mindanao by sea. At the beginning, Ms. Nagai who introduced Mr. Matsui to us, and Ms. Takai, former President of MUA, donated the shipping costs. Later we in charge of packaging donated items shared some shipping costs. We considered this donation activity as a part of our core MUA activities. Since 2022, the shipping cost has been allocated in the annual MUA budget. It is a relief to receive a thank-you letter for donated items from MCLF about a month later.



### Young people from MCLF visited MUA

In June 2018, Mr. & Mrs. Matsui visited Japan with scholarship students. Following Mr. Matsui's lecture, the young people performed ethnic dances and songs. Also, they gave speeches about "My family and my way of life in the future". We were impressed to know that they have grown up fine. We saw in the movie the task of covering the blown-up roofs with blue vinyl sheets. It showed the harshness of the reality which made us aware of the need for assistance. We believe that we must continue the donation activity. To keep this activity, we need your support. The weather there is summer all year round, so we need to ask summer clothes, and old curtains, which can be used as bedding. There are children with no shoes, so we need shoes as well.

We appreciate for your understanding and support.

*(Written by Ms. Okumura, Standing Director : Some contents were taken from Ms. Takai's article in the newsletter, and translated by NAKAZAWA M, the PR & Internet Committee)*



## "2022 Annual Tokyo Council of UNESCO Associations Training Seminar"

Organizer: Tokyo Council of UNESCO Associations

Date: February 23, 2023 (Thursday) 13:00-16:45

Venue: Asagaya Regional Community Center

The "Kanto Block Convention" for the 2023 fiscal year will be organized by the Tokyo Council of UNESCO Association (TCUA) and held at Aoyama Gakuin University on September 3rd. In preparation for this event, 80 members of the TCUA gathered for a lively seminar under the theme of "Collaboration and Building Comradeship!"

The event began with a welcome address by President IKEDA of TCUA, followed by youth activity reports, a report from the Next Generation of the Japanese National Commission for UNESCO, and a summary of activities over the past year through the 2000-Person Project Action Progress Report.

Mr. AMAKO Yoshihiro delivered the keynote speech on "Recent Developments of National Federation of UNESCO Associations in Japan and Expectations for Block Study Group" (photo on the right).



Finally, the participants engaged in cross-association group discussions regarding the "overall theme and planning for the Kanto Block Convention." Divided into 11 groups, they shared active opinions and made presentations on flip charts. The discussions, including topics such as peace, a world without war, equal education, poverty issues, perspectives from countries affected by atomic bombings, joining hands, and smiles, provided valuable direction for the practitioners involved in preparing for the upcoming autumn convention.

In particular, we would like to report that the "youth," who will carry the torch for the next generation, actively participated in the morning youth training seminar, youth activity reports, and group discussions as facilitators.

(Participants from MUA: NAGANO, TANABE, IMAMURA, SHIMPUKU, KINJO, UMENE, SATO, KOBAYASHI - a total of 8 members).

We look forward to welcoming a larger number of participants from MUA at the Kanto Block Convention scheduled on September 3<sup>rd</sup> this year.



*(Written by KOBAYASHI T., Vice President, and translated by SUDA Y., the PR & Internet Committee Associate)*

## World Cooking Workshop Chinese Medicinal Food

Date: Sunday, February 22, 2023

Venue: Minato Gender Equality Center Libra

With the pandemic concerns seeming to decline, we have decided to increase the capacity of this event from 16 to 20. Participants included 17 Minato citizens, 3 MUA members and 5 staffers.

Ms. Yamaguchi, today's instructor, hosts a Chinese medicinal cooking class named "Mandarin Kitchen". With several international licenses, she is fully qualified as a traditional Chinese physician, and started the workshop by explaining the Yin-Yan Five Elements theory which originated in China. Citing the famous saying "a balanced diet leads to a healthy body", Ms. Yamaguchi went on to describe what kind of food ingredients are good for the cold and warm seasons respectively. For example, to help improve physical conditions and refine beauty in winter, she recommends ingredients that are black in color and good for kidney health, such as black beans, black sesame, brown sugar and kelp. Regarding taste, she advises to choose sea salt flavor found in Hijiki seaweed, kelp and wakame seaweed.

Below are ingredients that warm up the body:

Garlic, Chinese chive, red pepper, Japanese pepper, star anise, clove, cinnamon, brown sugar, fragrant olive, trout, horse mackerel, and salmon

Ingredients that expel negative energy from the superficial parts of body are as follows (winter through early spring):

White Japanese leek, ginger, Shiso leaves, bay leaf, myoga, mitsuba parsley, keishi and Hamabofu

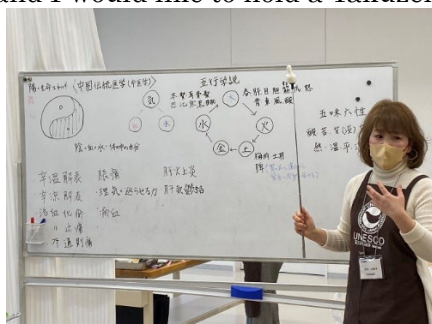
To take good care of the body in spring, it is advisable to use green vegetables and sour-tasting food, which are expected to increase blood quantity and boost circulation. Taking a walk is also good for health, according to Ms. Yamaguchi.

Today's menu was put together by choosing ingredients that are suitable for winter through spring. Ms. Yamaguchi did a demonstration first, and then the participants enjoyed practical cooking.

### Chinese Medicinal Cooking Menu

1. Black bean rice to steadily supplement nutrition to the kidneys
2. Shrimp and Chinese chive wontons to warm up the kidneys, which otherwise could cool down your body, and enhance the function of liver.
3. Chicken and burdock soup with grated daikon to warm up the body, improve intestine health and revitalize will power.
4. Sweet soup with black sesame dumplings to supplement nutrition to the spleen and kidneys, thereby invigorating the body.

Ms. Yamaguchi had kindly done all the groundwork in advance, such as preparing soup stock, azuki beans and black beans, sesame paste, black sesame dumplings and others, allowing participants to enjoy cooking smoothly. We tasted the finished food, which was delicious, and many people raised their voices in surprise: "I feel my body warming up!" This is the very essence of the medicinal cooking, and I would like to hold a Yakuzen workshop again sometime in summer or winter.



*(Written by OKUMURA Kazuko, Standing Director, and translated by MIYASHITA Yukari, Standing Director)*

## MUA'S Annual General Meeting held in April 2023

Date: April 19, 2023

Venue: Minato City Life-long Learning Center

The annual general meeting was held from 17:00 – 17:15 on Wednesday, April 19 in Room 101 of the said center, with the attendance of 24 MUA members. Mr. MINEO Shigekatsu, Vice President, kicked off the meeting and Mr. TANABE Kiichiro, President, gave an opening speech.



Mayor Takei at speech

Mayor Takei, who is also an Advisor of MUA, emphasized the merit that MUA's years-long activities focused on international goodwill and friendship synchronize well with the City's objective to become an international community. He also expressed thanks to MUA for its timely campaign to help resident refugees from Ukraine by donations and for the continued efforts to promote international mutual understanding through various events. He concluded his message, requesting MUA to help build an international community where each individual can pursue his/her own life objective, lead an independent and vibrant life, and contribute to the world with a broad mind.

The following agenda were reported, voted and resolved:

Agenda #1: Report on 2022 activities; Introduction of new members

Agenda #2: Report on 2022 stipulated steering meetings

Agenda #3: 2022 Settlement of accounts

Agenda #4: Auditors' report

Agenda #5: Report on MUA's cooperation to the National Federation of UNESCO Associations in Japan, and other related organizations.

Plan for MUA's cooperation to the National Federation of UNESCO Associations in Japan, and other related organizations.

Agenda #6: Plan for 2023 activities

Agenda #7: Budget plan for 2023

Agenda #8: Nomination of MUA officers, directors, auditors, advisors and counselors for 2023



*(Written by SHIMPUKU S., the Secretary General, and translated by TANAHASHI S., the PR & Internet Committee)*



## MUA Officers, Directors, Auditors, Advisors and Counselors for 2023

President	Tanabe, Kiichiro	Former Board Director, Mitsubishi Petrochemical (today Mitsubishi Chemical Corp.)
Vice President	Isobe, Toyoko	
Vice President	Imamura, Takako	Member, the Circulo Internacional de Cultura Hispanoamerica (CICHA)
Vice President	Kobayashi, Takayuki	
Vice President	Mineo, Shigekatsu	Representative Director, The FP Consulting Co., Ltd.
Vice President	Morimura, Shunsuke	Corporate Advisor, Morimura Bros, Inc.
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Standing Director	Ishii, Yoshiaki	Former Chief of Fire Suppression Div., Tokyo Fire Department
Standing Director	Okumura, Kazuko	
Standing Director	Kasahara, Masako	Director, Ura-senke Tea Ceremony Class
Standing Director	Sato, Ritsuko	
Standing Director	Tagawa, Junko	Japanese Language Instructor
Standing Director	Furuichi, Yoko	
Standing Director	Matsuzaki, Kazuko	Medical Doctor
Standing Director	Miyashita, Yukari	
Director	Utsunomiya, Kazumi*	
Director	Sasaki, Takeshi	Professor, Tokyo University of Marine Science and Technology
Director	Shibuya, Megumi	Professor, Meiji Gakuin University
Director	Shimizu, Gunji	Honorable Chairman, Minato City Music Federation
Director	Suzuki, Harumi	
Director	Newell-Tsuboya, Ikuko	CEO, Tokyo International School
Director	Togo, Kazuhiko	Visiting Professor to Global Center for Asian & Reginal Research, University of Shizuoka, Former Ambassador to the Netherlands
Director	Nagai, Michiko	
Director	Nakamae, Yuki	Minato City Assembly Member
Director	Hirakata, Kazuyo	Former member of Yokohama Housing Policy Committee
Director	Miwa, Emiko	
Director	Yamada, Setsuko	Attorney
Director	Yokoi, Aya*	Administrator, UNU Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability
Auditor	Tanahashi, Seiichi	Vice President, Hino-Redlands Sister Cities Association
Auditor	Nakagawa, Norio	Rep. Director, Chiemori Corporation; former Chairman of Tokyo, JC Minato Koshikai
Honorary President	Miwa, Kimitada	Professor Emeritus of Sophia University
Advisor	Akashi, Yasushi	Honorary Advisor, International House of Japan; former Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations

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## In Memoriam: Mr. MATSUMOTO Hiroshi

Mr. Matsumoto, who had made great contributions to MUA for over 30 years as Vice President and Director, passed away on March 21, 2022 at age 91.

I still have a vivid memory of his image when he attended MUA's conference for the first time.

Tall, slim and clad in chic double suit with a bow tie, he had a bowler hat in his hand. He looked just like a typical British gentleman in a movie.

Once he started to speak, his voice was unexpectedly powerful and clear. He made a shy comment, "I trained my voice in the cheering squad when I was a student." Even 30 years thereafter, his style and voice stayed the same.

He majored in architecture at Waseda University and later studied city architecture at the University of Manchester in the U. K. Capitalizing on this academic expertise, he has worked actively for 50 years at various Japanese governmental organizations which specialize in promoting development aids as requested from developing countries. He has thereby made great contributions to the nation-building and human empowerment in many developing countries.

His father MATSUMOTO Shigeharu emphasized, immediately after the end of WWII, the necessity for Japan to establish cultural and intellectual exchange schemes for promoting international mutual understanding, and participated in the founding of the International House of Japan (IHJ) for the said objective. When his father passed away in 1989, Mr. MATSUMOTO, being the eldest son, joined IHJ, a public-interest incorporated foundation, as Executive Director.

Concurrently, Mr. MATSUMOTO started to offer cooperation to the Minato UNESCO Association. Specifically, he helped with the selection and invitation of appropriate speakers for MUA's lectures, symposiums, and annual diplomats' lectures which address only ambassadors and embassy staff based in Japan. This was possible thanks to Mr. MATSUMOTO's extensive acquaintance network.

I was always impressed with his open-mindedness, deep thinking, humane warm concern, and quick execution. It was lucky for all of us to see an ideal mode close by. I'd like to extend my heartfelt appreciation and pray for his soul to rest in peace.

*(Written by TAKAI Mitsuko, Advisor and former President of MUA, and translated by TANAHASHI S., the PR & Internet Committee)*

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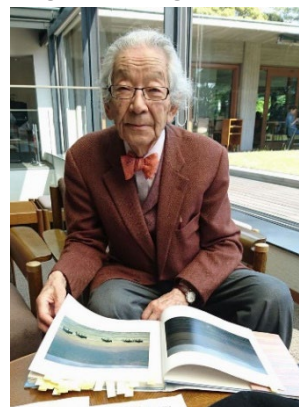
### The 22<sup>nd</sup> MUA Salon

#### Gathering with Mr. Hiroshi Matsumoto, Counselor of MUA

Date: Thursday, May 17, 2018

Place: Minato City Life-Long Learning Center

We can hardly discuss the successful planning of lectures presented by MUA's International Science & Culture Committee without referring to a great support in inviting prominent speakers provided by Mr. Matsumoto based on his broad range of personal connections. After graduating from Waseda University, Mr. Matsumoto studied the urban planning at The University of Manchester in England. Upon his return to Japan, he served as a researcher at International Development Center of Japan. He also served as a Managing Director and a Senior Managing Director at The Association for Promotion of International Cooperation, thereby contributed to the promotion of international development support of Japanese Government. Then, he moved to the International House of Japan where he served as a Managing Director and currently maintains the House as the "Inn Keeper".



He established relationships with people of more than 60 countries. He talked enthusiastically about his abundant experience from the viewpoint of three P's, i.e. "Public Mind",

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**“Bonsai”, a Traditional Japanese Culture  
Demonstration and Hands-on Experience**  
(Co-sponsored by the Minato City Board of Education)

Date: Saturday, November 19, 2022  
Venue: Minato City Lifelong Education Center  
Room 305

Instructor: KAWAKAMI Yoshiki (from Seikoen)  
Participation Fee: ¥3,500 (¥3,000 for MUA members)  
Participants: 31, plus 6 staffers (24 Minato City residents, of which 11 came from abroad)  
Tree: black pine

**Program**

- History and culture of Bonsai
- Demonstration
- Attendees create their own Bonsai (using a small tree)

**Voices from the participants**

- I enjoyed it very much.
- The instruction was good and easy to understand, thus giving me a quality time.
- I am looking forward to the New Year.
- I'd like to take part again in the workshop.



Over 70 people applied, and we had to choose 31 attendees by lottery. Seikoen, the Bonsai company, proclaims the corporate philosophy: “We’d like to have people experience Bonsai at least once in a lifetime.” Today’s unprecedented low fee was made possible thanks to the company’s efforts to promote Bonsai. While this is a Japanese culture with a long-time history, it has now become “BONSAI” and is enjoying a world-wide popularity. Making a good use of the cheap yen, an increasing number of foreign people are buying Bonsai.

Questions to the instructor included: how to give fertilizer, where to place the Bonsai, and watering. How to properly give water to Bonsai could be tricky, as signified by a saying: “Watering requires three-year training.” Today we pasted pieces of moss around the roots of the pine tree. This way, the instructor told us, we could check moss to see if the tree needs water. The attendee’s “pine tree Bonsai” will add grace to the New Year’s celebration.



*(Written by HIRAKATA Kazuyo, standing director, and translated by MIYASHITA Yukari, the PR & Internet Committee)*

Hands-on Culture Workshop Committee Program  
**Japanese culture “Bonsai”**  
Organized by MUA & co-sponsor by Minato City Board of Education  
Instructor : KURANARI Yuya

Date : March the 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Venue : Minato City Lifelong Learning Center

Participation Fee : 3,500 yen

The number of participants : 31 people

**Bonsai Theme** : Asahi-yama-zakura (cherry)

**Content** :

- History of Bonsai
- Demonstration
- Hands-on training of Bonsai

**Voice from participants** :

- Happy to joined
- Looking forward to seeing flower
- Difficult to place moss
- Would like to join again

**Comment:**

The Bonsai program is very popular, and we had deluged with applications. The 31 people were selected by lottery.

Sakura is one of the most representative bonsai trees. It is very popular among Japanese not only because of its beauty but also its symbol of the spring. The language of sakura is “beautiy of heart” and shows japanese classy supilit, as a national tree.



Sakura can be seen not only in Japan but also in Canada, the United States and Sweden. We wish participants could enjoy Sakura flower in Spring at home.

*(Written by HIRAKATA Kazuyo, Director, and translated by KODAMA Tomoko, the PR & Internet Committee)*





## Regular Activities of Minato UNESCO Association in progress

### The Hands-on Tea Ceremony Class:

This is an introductory course to tea ceremony for beginners. It consists of a series of 6 sessions divided into two terms, and is held on the 4th Monday of every month.

Instructor: Ms. ONO Sokei (dedicated instructor of Urasenke School)

Dates: First Term - April 24th, May 22nd, June 26th

Second Term - July 24th, August 28th, September 25th

Time: 14:00-16:30 (6 sessions in total)

Capacity: 6 participants

Venue: Room 203, 2nd floor, Minato City Lifelong Learning Center

The second session on May 22nd has concluded. There are currently 5 participants. It seems that everyone has already purchased various tea utensils and is diligently practicing at home.



### TOEIC Preparation Course:

This course aims to achieve a "TOEIC score of 730 or higher," which is said to be advantageous for job hunting and career advancement and is also adopted as a promotion requirement in many companies. Enrollment is open regardless of the current score.

Instructor: Mr. NAKAZAWA Masao

After working in New York and Dallas for a total of 15 years, he became an English instructor teaching TOEIC courses and English emails to business people and university students. TOEIC score: 985, Eiken Grade 1, National Government Licensed Guide Interpreter.

Dates: Mondays, 19:00-20:30 (9 sessions in total, 4 terms per year)

Capacity: 8 participants

Venue: MUA General Office, 3rd floor, Minato City Lifelong Learning Center

### Business English Conversation Course:

A business English conversation course taught by an American instructor has started from April. This course aims to develop "lifelong" English skills that are useful in business in the global society.

Instructor: Mr. Robert Edward Shiffer

He studied English teaching methods for non-native speakers and obtained a master's degree. Currently, he teaches multiple subjects at an international school.

Dates: Thursdays, 18:30-20:00 (9 sessions in total, 4 terms per year)

Capacity: 8 participants

Venue: MUA General Office



### Japanese Language Lesson:

This is a Japanese language class for foreigners with a focus on small-group conversations.

Instructor: Ms. TAGAWA Junko

Dates: Saturdays, 10:00-11:30 (10 sessions in total, 4 terms per year)

Capacity: 12 participants

Venue: MUA General Office

*(Written by KASAHARA M., Standing Director and SHIMPUKU S., Secretary-General, and translated by SUDA Y., the PR & Internet Committee Associate)*



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“Productive Mind” and “Playful Mind”. It was a really pleasant two hour session in which we could feel the origin of Mr. Matsumoto’s life. He published such books as “Global Architect: 50 years of international exchange and cooperation” and “Half Globe: Hiroshi Matsumoto’s Photobook”.

Mr. Matsumoto kindly projected 100 photos selected from his book “Half Globe – Hiroshi Matsumoto’s Photobook”. He explained what he saw and felt from each one of those photos. Only a few of them are shown below.



Commemorative photo taken after the Salon

*(Written by T. Kobayashi, Standing Director, the Membership Committee, and translated by Y. Suda, the PR & Internet Committee Associate)*

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#### (Continued from P. 7) **MUA Officers, Directors, Auditors, Advisors and Counselors for 2023**

Advisor	Ito, Kohei	President, Keio University
Advisor	Takei, Masaaki	Mayor, Minato City
Advisor	Nagano, Hiroshi	President of Tokyo Council of UNESCO Associations; former President of MUA; former President, JSRPIM; Fellow, AAAS
Advisor	Mikami, Yoichiro	President, Institute of Sounds Arts
Counselor	Kikuchi, Kensuke	Latest VP of MUA; CEO, Fuse Limited Liability Company; former Chairman of Tokyo, JC Minato Koshikai
Counselor	Kiso, Isao	President, Chiba Institute of Science; Former Ambassador, Permanent Delegation of Japan to UNESCO

Note: The asterisk mark denotes new appointees. The tenure of all lasts until the 2024 General Meeting.

Minato UNESCO Association is a citizens’ voluntary membership organization that promotes Japanese traditional culture, holds cross-cultural workshops and presents multicultural events and international symposia for world peace. For any questions or comments about our articles, please contact our secretariat office at:

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