

Overview of the 15th Modern Small Bonsai Potters' Work Exhibition

◇ **Objectives** This exhibition is a rare opportunity for both professional and amateur small bonsai potters, including talented artists who are active in Japan and abroad and those who create their work simply for enjoyment. The event's objectives are to make such potters known to shohin bonsai enthusiasts, thereby stimulate their creativity, and help them get to know each other.

◇ **Exhibition information**
 Period: Friday, January 10 to Sunday, January 12, 2020
 Venue: Special exhibit space of the 45th Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition held at the Kyoto International Exhibition Hall Miyako Messe
 Hosted by: Japan Shohin Bonsai Association
 Supported by: All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association and Kindai Shuppan Co., Ltd.

Exhibit rules

◇ **Exhibit booths** 80 booths (Booth size: 90 cm wide X 45 cm long (for each potter), which may change according to the exhibit space layout.)
 The exhibit management fee: 10,000 yen (up to three bonsai pots for each booth)
 Exhibitors will have to pay the costs of transportation to and from the venue.
 * Please pay the exhibit management fee using the postal transfer form attached to the application form.

◇ **Entry requirements** Both professional and amateur potters can participate in the exhibition with their previously unexhibited small bonsai pots with their signatures/seals.

◇ **Entry information** Pots must be palm size or smaller. There is no limit for the minimum size.
 You may enter one to three small pots, and up to five for fingertip-size miniature pots.
 ○ **Pot photos: Please attach pot photos to the application form with a paper clip.**
 ○ **Your head shot (5 X 5 cm): One color photo (Please write your name on the back of the photo and enclose it with the application form.)**
 ○ Your profile (in less than 100 words)
 * **Please provide your head shot and profile if you are a new applicant or wish to update your details. This is not necessary if you previously participated in the exhibition and do not need to provide any updates.**
 ○ Please enclose photos if you wish to specify displays.
 ○ Please pack display racks or tables with pots if you wish to use them.
 ○ You may enter more than one category.

◇ **Prizes** High achievers in categories A, B, and C will each be awarded gold, silver, and bronze prizes. Gold prize winners will receive 30,000 yen and a certificate, and silver and bronze prize winners will each receive a certificate.

The pots of top professionals who do not wish to receive prizes will be classified into category D and handled as special exhibits.

* Prize winners will be published in the monthly Kindai Bonsai magazine.

A: Japan Shohin Bonsai Association's Prize

B: All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association's Prize

C: Kindai Bonsai's Prize

* Judges A: Director of Japan Shohin Bonsai Association and two other individuals

B: Director of All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association

C: Representative of Kindai Shuppan Co., Ltd.

◇ **Entry deadline** **Saturday, November 30, 2019**

◇ **Selling and shipping exhibited pots**

- If you wish to sell your pots, then they will be sold at an auction hosted by the Japan Shohin Bonsai Association (March to May) or at the exhibition hosted by the association's headquarters. In either of these cases, 20% of the selling price will be deducted as the commission, and the balance will be transferred to individual potters.

- If you would like us to return your pots, then we can ship them to you after the exhibition at your expense.

Remarks (1) The exhibition organization will not be liable for any damage to pots due to circumstances outside its control, including transportation and natural disasters.

(2) Pots will not be sold at the exhibition venue.

(3) The Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition is hosted by the All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association.

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Attach pot photos to the application form with a paper clip.

15th Modern Small Bonsai Potters' Work Exhibition Application Form

Exhibitor: Name _____ (seal) Male _____ Tel.: _____
 Year of birth: _____ Female _____ Fax: _____
 Name of the kiln (or signature/seal affixed to pots) _____ Mobile: _____
 Address: (incl. the postal code) _____ Agent name: _____
 * You don't have to specify the agent's name if you send your pots directly to the following address.

Please circle the applicable category. Number of entered pots

A: Unglazed (square, rectangle, throwing, hand forming, etc.)	
B: Glazed (glazed pots with the above shapes)	
C: Painted (overglaze, zaffer, tricolored and five-colored glazed, etc.)	
D: Special exhibits (pots made by professionals who do not wish to receive prizes)	

* Carved pots will be classified as glazed or unglazed respectively.

Mandatory information: Handling of pots during and after the exhibition (Please circle either of the following options.)

- A. You wish to sell your pots.
(Your pots will be sold at an auction hosted by the Japan Shohin Bonsai Association. 20% of the auction price will be deducted as the commission.)
- B. You would like us to return your pots.

Potter's profile in less than 100 words (for new applications/updates)

Please send your pots to Kindai Shuppan Co., Ltd.

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or deliver them to a member of the Japan Shohin Bonsai Association with whom you have contact.

* Please enclose the application form with your pots to be shipped.

*** Acceptance period: November 1 to 30, 2019**

Remarks: Since the Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition is hosted by the All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association, exhibitors of the Modern Small Bonsai Potters' Work Exhibition will be requested to join the association.