

Overview of the 21th 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 9 to Sunday, January 11, 2025
Venue: Special exhibit space of the 10th Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition held at the Kyoto International Exhibition Hall Miyako Messe
Hosted by: All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association and Japan Shohin Bonsai Co-operative Association
Supported by: 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: 15,000 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 with PayPal. Please pay the transfer fee of 550 yen.
Our PayPal account: g-kinbon@bonsai.co.jp

◇ **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** Top achievers in categories A: Unglazed, B: Glazed, and C: Painted will each be awarded gold, silver, and bronze prizes. Special prizes will be granted separately from the prizes awarded in each category.
Gold prize winners will receive the 51th Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition Commemorative Book and a certificate, and silver and bronze prize winners will each receive a certificate.
All exhibited works will be published in the 51th Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition Commemorative Book.
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 flash report will be released on the website of Kindai Shuppan Co., Ltd. or other media.
Judges:
Category A, B, and C: Six judges of the 51th Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition
Special prizes: Representatives of All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association, Japan Shohin Bonsai Co-operative Association, and Kindai Shuppan Co., Ltd.
※ Please refer to the Appendix for screening details.

◇ **Entry deadline** November 30, 2025

◇ **Selling and shipping exhibited pots**
- We ship them to you after the exhibition at your expense.
- Please send the invoice with No Commercial Value.
- Please enter the total item price within 10,000 yen. If the total price exceeds this amount, customs duties may apply.

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) We do not sell pots
(3) The Gafu-ten Shohin Bonsai Exhibition is hosted by the All Japan Shohin Bonsai Association and Japan Shohin Co-operative Association

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

21th Modern Small Bonsai Potters' Work Exhibition Application Form

Exhibitor: Name (seal) Tel.:
Year of birth: Fax:
Name of the kiln (or signature/seal affixed to pots) email:
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.

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

※Please email your name, address, and profile to kinbon@bonsai.co.jp

Please send your pots to Kindai Shuppan Co., Ltd.
107 Nishikujo Higashihieijo-cho, Minami-ku, Kyoto 601-8438, Japan
Tel.: +81-(0)75-661-1167 Fax: +81-(0)75-661-1150
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, 2025

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.