

Enshu-ryu Sado Singapore Cultural Exchange Event

The World of KIREISABI

An Introduction to Enshu Sado Tea Ceremony

Commemorating the 60th Anniversary of Japan-Singapore Diplomatic Relations



Tea ceremony in a traditional tea room

The Enshu Sado School will hold the "Enshu-ryu Sado Singapore Cultural Exchange Event" in Singapore to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Japan and Singapore.

This event is a free cultural exchange programme aimed at introducing Enshu-ryu Sado to an international audience. Through a talk on tea ceremony, a temae (tea preparation) demonstration, tea serving, and a Q&A session, guests will be introduced to the world of "Kirei-Sabi," the spirit of Enshu-ryu Sado. All are welcome.

Date Sat, Aug 22 2026	Time 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM	Venue <u>Pullman Singapore Hill St, Level 3, Oculus Lounge</u>	Admission Free / open to public
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Schedule

Time	Programme
11:00 AM – 11:50 AM	Session 1: Talk, demonstration, tea serving, and Q&A (approx. 20–30 participants)
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Free admission and tea serving
1:00 PM – 1:50 PM	Session 2: Talk, demonstration, tea serving, and Q&A (approx. 20–30 participants)

Programme (each session)

1. Tea Ceremony Talk |

Introduction to Enshu Sado and the spirit of Kirei-Sabi

2. Demonstration |

A close look at the movements, utensils, and preparation of tea

3. Tea Serving |

Guests receive a bowl of tea

4. Q&A |

Questions on tea ceremony and Japanese culture

Those wishing to attend, please respond via the survey form below by Wednesday, 19 August 2026.

<https://forms.gle/bzYGU3h6yKEPiAX28>

We will contact you by email after confirming your response. We regret that as there is limited seating, seats will be confirmed only upon receipt of our confirmation email, so we appreciate your understanding.



Registration Form

KOBORI SOJITSU

The thirteenth Grand Master of Enshu SADO School

Born as the first son of the twelfth Grand Master of Enshu tea School in Tokyo. After graduating from the Gakushuin University in 1979, he went to the Keitoku Zen In Temple of the Daitoku-ji Temple school to study with Fukutomi Isei, a zen master.

Received "Fudenan Sojitsu" as his zen and tea name from the Grand Zen Monk Fukutomi Settei, the Head of the Daitoku-ji Temple in Kyoto in 2000. Became the thirteenth Grand Master of Enshu School of tea on New Year's Day in 2001.

Appeared in "My father is the Grand Master" which is the first documentary movie about the life of a grand master in the tea ceremony world.

Fudenan Soujitsu strives to keep the traditions and spirituality of the tea ceremony as well as to create a tea ceremony that continues to be meaningful in a contemporary world. He collaborates with artists in various fields and also actively participates in overseas cultural programs. Additionally, all over Japan he conducts a program called the "Children's Tea Class". He believes that "tea brings richness in our minds".



Mr Sojitsu Kobori, 13th Grand Master of Enshu Sado School

About Enshu-ryu Sado

Enshu-ryu Sado is one of Japan's representative schools of samurai tea ceremony, founded approximately 450 years ago by Kobori Enshu.

Kobori Enshu was a feudal lord in the early Edo period, known as a tea master who served as tea ceremony instructor to the Tokugawa shogunate.

The aesthetic of "Kirei-sabi," cherished by Enshu, has been passed down to this day as the spirit of Enshu Sado, harmonizing elegance and simplicity.



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