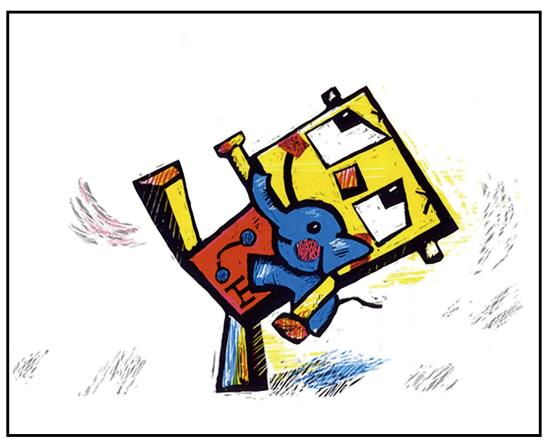
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The International Kamishibai Association of Japan



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## From IKAJA in Tokyo

Recently, the word "peace" is used incessantly in various different places. What is peace? If we consider the situation in Japan, it seems to mean only that war is not happening before our eyes. Professor Keiko Nakamura spoke to us about the importance of life since it first emerged 3.8 billion years ago in our seminar.

Aspiring 'to perform kamishibai also for the sake of peace', we have studied closely kamishibai's unique world and performed in many places. IKAJA aspires to promote this movement widely, while capturing an even deeper understanding of what it means to be at peace.

Kamishibai Newsletter Volume 19 was edited with a focus on the reports from Japan, as well as reports from five other countries. We hope various activities might give you some stimulation to explore the possibilities of kamishibai.

## **Kamishibai Supply Information**

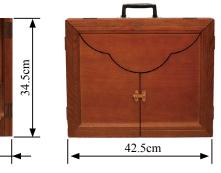
#### Kamishibai Sheet



- \*Standard dimensions of **kamishibai sheets**: 26.5 x 38.2 cm
- \*Standard number of sheets in published kamishibai: 8, 12, 16, 24, etc.

### Kamishibai Stage

8.3cm



\*Dimensions of a **kamishibai stage** (in brown wood):

W 42.5 x H 34.5 x D 8.3 cm ISBN 4-494-07300-8

Japanese retail price (tax excluded): ¥ 11500





Back side view with kamishibai sheets

#### Kamishibai Stand



\*Dimensions of a **kamishibai stand**: W 63.5 x H 110 to 167 x D 41 cm ISBN 4-494-07304-0 Japanese retail price (tax excluded): ¥ 55000

If you would like to order kamishibai supplies, please use the following links:

http://www.doshinsha.co.jp/kamishibai/translations/



Librairie Japonaise Junku <a href="http://www.junku.fr/">http://www.junku.fr/</a>



To read synopses in English of nearly 40 recommended Japanese kamishibai, visit this link:



https://www.kamishibai-ikaja.com/documents/Recommended-kamishibai-un.pdf

## What is IKAJA?

#### **Activities**

The International Kamishibai Association of Japan (IKAJA) is Japan's largest kamishibai association. The spokesperson is Kyoko Sakai, chair of the publishing company Doshinsha. The late Noriko Matsui is our eternal honorary leader. Since the establishment of IKAJA in 2001, we have held 38 domestic kamishibai seminars and issued 41 semiannual Japanese newsletters as well as 19 annual English newsletters. We are holding a series of kamishibai performance workshops and creation seminars. (Both series will continue for half a year.)

The 2023 IKAJA Kamishibai Seminar will take place on November 11(from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m.) and on November 12 (from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.) at the Shuppan (Publishing) Club Building in Kandajimbocho, Tokyo. We will inform you of the detailed program by email. The participation fee for international members is free. There will be no interpreter, but UD talk powered by Google translate will assist you. Please kindly check the immigration restrictions in Japan before your departure on your own responsibility. We intend to record, subtitle, and share part of the seminar with our entire membership, so please be looking forward to it!

## Membership

Domestic individual members: 552

Domestic group members: 12

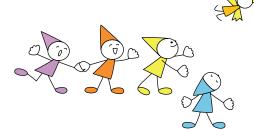
International individual members: 286

(Members 135, Friends 151)

International group members: 20

(Members 15, Friends 5)

**Total: 870** (as of August 2023)



## **English-Language Website**

Please visit IKAJA's English-language website.
It has been revamped so it can easily be viewed by cell phone.

http://www.kamishibai-ikaja.com/en/

Doshinsha Publishing Co., Ltd. also has an English-language page on its website: <a href="http://www.doshinsha.co.jp/kamishibai/translations/">http://www.doshinsha.co.jp/kamishibai/translations/</a>

## **Membership Fee**

Annual membership fee is explained in the following link:

https://www.kamishibai-ikaja.com/en/regist-eng.html

If you would like to invite your friends to join IKAJA, you can use the following link <a href="https://www.kamishibai-ikaja.com/documents/Membership-Application-Form.pdf">https://www.kamishibai-ikaja.com/documents/Membership-Application-Form.pdf</a> or the Membership Application Form on the next page.

#### Kamishibai Members and Friends

New!: In addition to the Overseas Members, the status of Friends has been established. Members who have not paid their dues for more than three years, their status will be automatically changed to this. Friends will get information about IKAJA's seminar just once a year. If Friends wish to read IKAJA's newsletters or watch the lecture videos, they can return to Members at any time upon payment of one year's membership fee. Once they become Members again, they can join IKAJA's kamishibai seminar in November basically free of charge.

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#### If you would like to become a member of IKAJA, please photocopy this page and fill in the form.

Send the form to our FAX number: 81-422-49-8990.

Or contact us by e-mail: <a href="mailto:kamishibai@ybb.ne.jp">kamishibai@ybb.ne.jp</a>

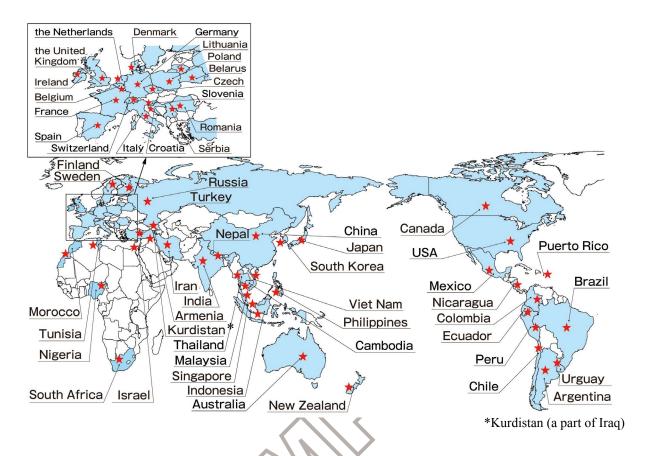


Membership Application Form
I would like to be an Individual / Group Member of IKAJA. (Please choose.)
Date:
Mr. / Ms. / Dr. First Name:
Family Name:
Date of Birth (D/M/Y):
Nationality:
Home Address:
Home TEL/FAX:
Home E-mail Address (if any):
Profession or Main Activities:
Office Address (if any):
Department/Position:
Office Tel/FAX
Office E-mail Address (if any):

## **Benefits of Becoming a Member**

After we receive your Membership Application Form and Membership Fee, you will receive *Kamishibai Newsletter* Vol.10 in digital format as a welcome gift. It is a useful beginner's guide about the theory and history of kamishibai offered by IKAJA. The latest issue of the *Kamishibai Newsletter* will be sent to you in autumn via e-mail. In addition, all the International Members who live outside of Japan can join our annual November kamishibai seminar basically free of charge.

## IKAJA's International Members and Friends in the World



Our membership grew to include 564 domestic members and 306 international members and friends, for a grand total of 870 members. Members in 55 countries and regions were represented in our organization (as of August 2023).

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