

japanese cultural resources

The Children's Museum of Boston has made Japanese culture a principal focus of exhibit, programs and curriculum development for more than 30 years. The resources for Japanese cultural education at the Children's Museum include:

- * A permanent exhibit, The Japanese Home, visited annually by more than 180,000 children and adults.
- * An exhibit of photographs of daily life in Kyoto, Japan which is Boston's Sister City.
- * Explorations: museum classes in Japanese culture, ranging in length from a single hour to a course, attended by several thousand students each year.
- * An internship program for 60 college students and graduates each year.
- * An extensive collection of Japanese artifacts, from kakemono and Girls' Day dolls to chopsticks and suribachi.
- * A circulating collection of cultural artifacts.
- * A multi-media curriculum unit entitled "The Japanese Family" for use in elementary schools throughout the United States.
- * A reference collection of multi-media materials useful to adults who work with children.
- * Workshops and curriculum development assistance to practising teachers in the greater metropolitan area.
- * A collaborative project with Harvard University's Language and Area Center for East Asian Studies to provide assistance to elementary and secondary school teachers.
- * A curator of the collection and developer of Japanese programs and exhibits.

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