

The Harvard East Asian Program at the Children's Museum, Boston

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WHO WE ARE...

The Harvard East Asian Program is sponsored by the Children's Museum, Boston, and the Harvard University Language and Area Center for East Asian Studies. Located at the Children's Museum, Boston, the program brings together specialists in East Asian Studies and education to promote the better understanding of Japan and China.

As a resource center for teaching and learning about East Asia we serve many audiences: elementary and secondary school teachers, librarians, college students, business people and community groups.

The resources and programs available through 1985 include the following:

EXHIBITS

Kyō no machiya — An Authentic Japanese House

A complete silk-weaver's house, shop, garden and street from Boston's Sister City of Kyoto is a permanent exhibit at the Children's Museum. Completely authentic and furnished for contemporary family life, our townhouse is open to the public during regular Museum hours and is also available for special tours, exploration sessions and private functions.

Across the street is the Japanese Reading Room, where visitors can explore print and audio-visual materials. Japan Study Storage houses the Museum's collection of over 1500 artifacts from everyday life. An introductory exhibit featuring "Toshi's Story," an exhibit on Japanese joinery, and a

multi-purpose room with small temporary exhibits are also part of the Japanese Comprehensive Program Area.

A Market in China

In the Fall of 1984, a new interactive exhibit on China will open. Through buying, selling, bargaining and browsing, visitors will become part of a bustling street in urban China and learn about the objects and activities of daily life. The introductory exhibit will feature sights and sounds of Boston's Sister City, Hangzhou, and the Hangzhou Children's Palace.

RENTAL KITS FOR CLASSROOM TEACHING

Bring China and Japan into your classes — or your own home — with one of our rental kits. Consisting of artifacts, activities, and written materials, the kits can be rented from the Kit Rental Department at the Museum:

- Echoes of China: China and Her Land; Chinese Architecture; Chinese Celebrations; Chinese Games; Fine and Folk Arts of China; *Jia*; Chinese American Families; Travels with Marco Polo.
- Traditional China
- Japanese and Chinese Calligraphy
- Japanese Family
- Japanese New Year
- Japanese Children's Day
- Japan: Getting Acquainted

RESOURCE CENTER

A circulating library of written and audio-visual materials are available through the Resource Center of the Children's Museum. Browsers and borrowers alike are welcome to peruse the collection of teaching materials in our East Asian Study.

FESTIVALS

Every year we invite the public to join in celebrating Japanese New Year, Girls' Day, Children's Day, and other Asian festivals. Throughout the entire museum children and adults participate in a variety of activities, demonstrations, and performances.

WORKSHOPS

Workshops for elementary and secondary school teachers are scheduled throughout the year. These teacher training sessions include background information, classroom materials and hands-on activities.

EXPLORATIONS

School groups may sign up for one to four Exploration sessions on Japanese or Chinese Culture and Society. These special programs involve students and teachers in an in-depth cultural experience. The sessions can be coordinated with the school curriculum.

CONSULTATIONS AND IN-SERVICE

East Asian Program staff are available for consultations and in-service workshops at the Museum or in the school. These services are offered to elementary and secondary schools, museums, community centers, libraries, civic and business groups.

STAFF

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For more Information...

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