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A lush portrait introducing one of the most important Japanese artists of the Edo period Best known for his paintings *Irises and Red and White Plum Blossoms*, Ogata Kōrin (1658-1716) was a highly successful artist who worked in many genres and media--including hanging scrolls, screen paintings, fan paintings, lacquer, textiles, and ceramics.

Combining archival research, social history, and visual analysis, Frank Feltens situates Kōrin within the broader art culture of early modern Japan. He shows how financial pressures, client

preferences, and the impulse toward personal branding in a competitive field shaped Kōrin's approach to art-making throughout his career. Feltens also offers a keen visual reading of the artist's work, highlighting the ways Kōrin's artistic innovations succeeded across media, such as his introduction of painterly techniques into lacquer design and his creation of ceramics that mimicked the appearance of ink paintings. This book, the first major study of Kōrin in English, provides an intimate and thought-provoking portrait of one of Japan's most significant artists.

The Artist and the Book in Japan
McFarland

Sumi-e is the classic painting style of Japan, and its graceful simplicity is admired around the world. A natural

follow-up to the best-selling *The Sumi-e Book*, *The Sumi-e Dream Book* demonstrates how to take the classic brushstrokes of sumi-e to a new level of painting, where creativity is inspired by deeply felt memories and spiritual expression. First, sumi-e artist Yolanda Mayhall provides a brief history and explains the philosophy behind this classic Japanese painting style. She highlights its many masters, one of them her ancient mentor the master brush painter, woodblock, and dream journey artist Hokosai. Next, she reviews the classic materials and the basic brushstrokes of sumi-e known as the Four Gentlemen: Bamboo, Wild Orchid, Chrysanthemum, and Plum Branch, along with their variations. Finally, Mayhall puts it all together to

demonstrate the sumi-e art of dream journey painting. Readers will learn a variety of creative and exciting techniques for using color to add a delightful dimension to the sumi-e image as well as discover exciting techniques for visually capturing important life memories and spiritual reflections in a painting. • Written by the author of the best-selling *The Sumi-e Book* • Taps into the growing number of artists interested in Eastern art forms and spiritual awareness

Wabi Sabi Tuttle Publishing

First English publication of all four of Sekien's masterworks: *The Illustrated Demons' Night Parade*, *More Illustrated Demons from Past and Present*, *Even More Demons from Past and Present*, and *An Idle Horde of Things*.

Gender and Power in the Japanese Visual Field Yale University Press

The Art of the Japanese Book Ukiyo-e The Art of the Japanese Print Tuttle Publishing
The Japanese Way of the Artist Tuttle Publishing

This book provides a detailed history of Japanese cloisonne enamel and the development of its many technical varieties. Part One presents the 400-year history and context of Japanese enamels from their beginnings around 1600, covering the crucial decades of the late 19th and early 20th centuries extensively. Part Two is organized by individual technique and categorizes and discusses the many variations of cloisonne enamel developed in Japan. Integrated into both parts are biographies of many cloisonne masters

along with discussions of the technical and scientific underpinnings of the craft. The work is complemented by 32 color plates with 128 images, an extensive glossary, several appendices, an extensive bibliography and a full index. *Ukiyo-e* Summersdale Publishers
 The Art of Japanese Architecture presents a complete overview of Japanese architecture in its historical and cultural context. The book begins with a discussion of early prehistoric dwellings and concludes with a description of works by important modern Japanese architects. Along the way it discusses the iconic buildings and architectural styles for which Japan is so justly famous--from elegant Shinden and Sukiya aristocratic villas like the Kinkakuji "Golden Pavilion" in Kyoto, to

imposing Samurai castles like Himeji and Matsumoto, and tranquil Zen Buddhist gardens and tea houses to rural Minka thatched-roof farmhouses and Shinto shrines. Each period in the development of Japan's architecture is described in detail and the most important structures are shown and discussed--including dozens of UNESCO World Heritage Sites. The aesthetic trends in each period are presented within the context of Japanese society at the time, providing a unique in-depth understanding of the way Japanese architectural styles and buildings have developed over time and the great variety that is visible today. The book is profusely illustrated with hundreds of hand-drawn 3D watercolor illustrations and color photos as well as prints, maps and diagrams. The new

edition features dozens of new photographs and a handy hardcover format that is perfect for travelers. *The Book of Ichigo Ichie* Houghton Mifflin The first cocktail book from the award-winning mixologist Masahiro Urushido of Katana Kitten in New York City, on the craft of Japanese cocktail making Katana Kitten, one of the world's most prominent and acclaimed Japanese cocktail bars, was opened in 2018 by highly-respected and award-winning mixologist Masahiro Urushido. Just one year later, the bar won 2019 Tales of the Cocktail Spirited Award for Best New American Cocktail Bar. Before Katana Kitten, Urushido honed his craft over several years behind the bar of award-winning eatery Saxon+Parole. In *The Japanese Art of the Cocktail*, Urushido

shares his immense knowledge of Japanese cocktails with eighty recipes that best exemplify Japan's contribution to the cocktail scene, both from his own bar and from Japanese mixologists worldwide. Urushido delves into what exactly constitutes the Japanese approach to cocktails, and demystifies the techniques that have been handed down over generations, all captured in stunning photography.

The Art of Japanese Craft BRILL

In *The Art of the Japanese Sword*, master swordsmith Yoshindo Yoshihara offers a detailed look at the entire process of Japanese sword making, including the finishing and appreciation of Japanese blades. Japanese sword art stands out in many ways: functionality as a weapon, sophisticated metallurgy and metal

smithing, the shape of the blade itself—all contribute to the beauty of these remarkable weapons. *The Art of the Japanese Sword* conveys to the reader Japanese samurai sword history and Japanese sword care, as well as explaining how to view and appreciate a blade. With 256 full-color pages, this sword book illustrates in meticulous detail how modern craftsmen use traditional methods to prepare their steel, forge the sword and create the unique hardened edge. By gaining a good understanding of how a sword is actually made, the reader will be able to appreciate the samurai sword more fully. Topics include: Appreciating the Japanese sword History of the Japanese sword Traditional Japanese steel making Making the sword Finishing the sword

The Japanese Art of Decluttering and Organizing Penguin

"Davey uses words with clarity and simplicity to describe the non-word realm of practicing these arts."—Publishers Weekly "From an economic standpoint, this compilation sells for a price comparable to the price of a single copy of either of the first two works. In addition, the third work, *The Japanese Way of the Flower: Ikebana as Moving Meditation*, is no longer in print. This makes this compilation a very good deal and the quickest way to secure a copy of *The Japanese Way of the Flower: Ikebana as Moving Meditation*...In addition, the content of all three works is great. Any one of these books would be worth the price, and this book is great both as a Christmas present and a book

for the beach." -- Michael Donnelly Sensei, veteran teacher of Aikido The three works anthologized here are essential to understanding the spiritual, meditative, and physical basis of all classical Japanese creative and martial arts. *Living the Japanese Arts & Ways* covers key concepts—like wabi and “stillness in motion”—while the other two books show the reader how to use brush calligraphy (shodo) and flower arranging (ikebana) to achieve mind-body unification. Illustrated with diagrams, drawings, and photographs. [The Yokai Encyclopedias of Toriyama Sekien](#) University of Hawaii Press From 5,000-year-old ceramic vessels to 19th-century paintings, all the major categories of the art of Japan are represented in this stunning volume

featuring a selection of metal wares, lacquer items, sculpture, screen and scroll paintings, textiles and more from the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco. 165 color photographs.

Avant-Garde Art and Non-Dominant Thought in Postwar Japan Tuttle Pub

In this book the leading authority on Japanese art history sheds light on how Japan has nurtured distinctive aesthetics, prominent artists, and movements that have achieved global influence and popularity. *The History of Art in Japan* discusses works ranging from earthenware figurines in 13,000 BCE to manga, anime, and modern subcultures.

The Art of Japanese Tantrism U of Minnesota Press

In this Japanese ink painting book

renowned Japanese master Shozo Sato offers his own personal teaching on the beautiful art of sumi-e painting. *Sumi-e: The Art of Japanese Ink Painting* provides step-by-step, photo-by-photo instructions to guide learners in the correct form, motions and techniques of Japanese sumi-e painting. Featuring gorgeous images and practical advice, it includes guided instructions for 35 different paintings. From waterfalls to bamboo, learners paint their way to understanding sumi-e—a style of painting that is characteristically Asian and has been practiced for well over 1,000 years. Although it's sometimes confused with calligraphy, as the tools used are the same, sumi-e instead tries to capture the essence of an object or scene in the fewest possible strokes.

This all-in-one resource also provides a timeline of brush painting history, a glossary of terms, a guide to sources and an index—making it a tool to use and treasure, for amateurs and professionals alike. This sumi-e introduction is ideal for anyone with a love of Japanese art or the desire to learn to paint in a classic Asian style.

[The Art of Japanese Ink Painting](#)
(Downloadable Material) Floating World Edithions

From Japan's first forays onto the international stage of world's fairs in the late 19th century to the dynamic creativity of the 1920 and 1930s, from the heady post-World War II period to the present day, Japanese crafts have exhibited a rich diversity of media and techniques. One of the first illustrated

surveys in English of modern-era Japanese crafts—including ceramics, lacquerware, metalcraft, and wood—this elegant book, with 70 color illustrations, is an invaluable guide for the collector and scholar. Focusing on an important collection of Japanese crafts destined for the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the text discusses the artists and ideas that shaped and defined the aesthetic of 20th-century Japan, noting that this nation—which so deeply appreciates and fosters its crafts traditions—hails its artists as “living national treasures.” The book also includes artists' biographies and reproductions of their signatures and marks.

Art of Edo Japan Penguin

In this, the first collection in English of feminist-oriented research on Japanese

art and visual culture, an international group of scholars examines representations of women in a wide range of visual work. The volume begins with Chino Kaori's now-classic essay *Gender in Japanese Art*, which introduced feminist theory to Japanese art. This is followed by a closer look at a famous thirteenth-century battle scroll and the production of *bijin* (beautiful women) prints within the world of Edo-period advertising. A rare homoerotic picture-book is used to extrapolate the grammar of desire as represented in late seventeenth-century Edo. In the modern period, contributors consider the introduction to Meiji Japan of the Western nude and oil-painting and examine *Nihonga* (Japanese-style painting) and the role of one of its

famous artists. The book then shifts its focus to an examination of paintings produced for the Japanese-sponsored annual salons held in colonial Korea. The post-war period comes under scrutiny in a study of the novel *Woman in the Dunes* and its film adaptation. The critical discourse that surrounded women artists of the late twentieth-century - the *Super Girls of Art* - i

An Impressionist Approach to the Art of Japanese Brush Painting
Shambhala Publications

To understand Japanese sword polishing is to understand the Japanese sword. Down through the years, the great sword connoisseurs in Japan have been sword polishers. A swordsmith can spend a large amount of time forging a classic sword, but refining and bringing out its

final shape, color and texture so that all the details of the steel and hamon (the temper line) are clearly visible is the responsibility of another craftsman - the sword polisher. An experienced polisher can tell immediately by whom a blade was made, so distinctive is each smith's work and so vital is such knowledge to the skilled polisher. The Art of Japanese Sword Polishing is the first book in English to examine in great detail the polisher's techniques - skills it often takes up to ten years of apprenticeship to master. The book illustrates the methods, materials and tools used for this process. But its true aim is to enable the reader to fully appreciate the beauty of a well-crafted Japanese sword. As readers learn both how the sword polisher enhances the beauty of the

blade and how he handles the problems of coaxing out its finest qualities through his polishing techniques, they will come to a deeper understanding of the fine art of making the Japanese sword and will be able to view, purchase or collect swords with greater pleasure.

Living the Japanese Arts & Ways, Brush Meditation, The Japanese Way of the Flower The Art of the Japanese Print Book Ukiyo-e The Art of the Japanese Print The more than thousand-year-old art of sword making in Japan is one of the world's most brilliant metalworking traditions. In danger of being lost when sword manufacture was prohibited after the Second World War, today the art is making an astonishing comeback in the hands of a new generation of swordsmiths. In this book master

swordsmith Kunihiro Kawachi introduces through beautiful color photographs examples of swords that he has created or restored. Questions and answers covering many aspects of sword culture are followed by a thorough chapter teaching how to care for and appreciate Japanese swords, and a discussion of the many legends surrounding the swords of the most famous swordsmen in Japanese history. A central section illustrates the tools and techniques for making Japanese swords with more than 50 color and monochrome photos. Finally, a chapter of essays presenting the lives and opinions of those involved in sword making in Japan today is followed by appendixes listing such useful information as the best museums in which to view fine sword collections

around the world. This modest book is packed with information of use to all connoisseurs and collectors of Japanese swords, as well as anyone interested in Japanese metal crafts or martial culture. *Ogata Korin* Tuttle Publishing

Incense has a long history in Japan. At the ancient court, men and women alike scented their kimono, their rooms, and even their writing paper with signature blends of incense that admirers were sure to mention later in their love poems. Even today, Japanese incense is highly regarded for its subtlety and beauty. *The Book of Incense* is the first book available in English that focuses on the incense traditions of Japan including different ingredients, mixing blends and sampling various mixtures, traditional literary games involving incense Koh-do,

the incense ceremony still performed today. With the current popularity of aromatherapy and other uses of scent for relaxation and pleasure, this new trade paperback edition of *The Book of Incense* comes at a most opportune time. It is must reading for anyone who wants to gain a new awareness of the importance of scent, and learn how to make optimal use of the sense of smell in our everyday lives.

Japanese Art and Design Tuttle Publishing

Find happiness by living fully in the present with this definitive guide to *ichigo ichie*--the Japanese art of making the most of every moment--from the bestselling authors of *Ikigai*. Every moment in our life happens only once, and if we let it slip away, we lose it

forever--an idea captured by the Japanese phrase *ichigo ichie* (pronounced itchy-GO itchy-A). Often spoken in Japan when greeting someone or saying goodbye, to convey that the encounter is unique and special, it is a tenet of Zen Buddhism and is attributed to a sixteenth-century master of the Japanese tea ceremony, or "ceremony of attention," whose intricate rituals compel us to focus on the present moment. From this age-old concept comes a new kind of mindfulness. In *The Book of Ichigo Ichie*, you will learn to... • appreciate the beauty of the fleeting, the way the Japanese celebrate the cherry blossoms for two weeks every April, knowing they'll have to wait a whole year to see them again; • use all five senses to anchor yourself in the present,

helping you to let go of fear, sadness, anger, and other negative emotions fueled by fixating on the past or the future; • be alert to the magic of coincidences, which help us find meaning among the disconnected events of our lives; • use ichigo ichie to help you discover your ikigai, or life's purpose--because it's only by learning to be present, to be tuned into what catches your attention and excites you in the moment, that you can identify what it is that most motivates you and brings you happiness. Every one of us contains a key that can open the door to attention, harmony with others, and love of life. And that key is ichigo ichie. A PENGUIN LIFE TITLE

The Art of Making the Most of Every Moment, the Japanese Way Godfrey

Cave Associates

Takebo This is the Japanese "book of bill equipment". In Japan, everyone uses it, even children, for whom special versions of books are made, extended to age: both in the family, as in school, young people learn from a small age to record their income and expenses. Takebo is more than just saving. conscious expenditure management helps you know yourself and maintain self-discipline, as well as build a sense of value. Less stress, more peace. Why use takebo? SAVINGS: takebo saves you up to 30% on expenses. ORDER: facilitates the structuring of expenditure. CONTROL: Help you plan and supervise your expenses. AUTODISCIPLINE: will motivate you to reduce unnecessary expenses. PEACE: teach you faith in your

own skills and stress-free home budget management. 12 months to manage your finances You can start when you want

Kanban, the Art of the Japanese Shop

Sign Ten Speed Press

This survey examines the art and artists

of the Edo period, one of the great epochs in Japanese art. The author focuses on the urban aspects of Edo art, including discussions of many of Japan's most popular artists - Korin, Utamaro and Hiroshige, among others.