

## Tokyo Dageki Dan (Taiko=Japanese Drums)

Tokyo Dageki Dan is a music performers group founded in 1995 by the representative producer HIRANUMA Jin-ichi. They seek possibilities of Taiko through new sensitivity not limited to any styles, performing attractive stages of Taiko ensemble.

The field of performance spreads including "Japan's Taiko" at National Theater, various Taiko festivals, events at nationwide cultural facilities, art appreciation meetings at high schools, and other events as well as appearance in movies such as "Nobo no Shiro" by Toho, and also for stage music for stages, Taiko performance for "EXILE" nationwide tour, Taiko instruction and providing music for "The Convoy Show (entertainment performance show)", "Bugs Under Groove (dance)", "Gekidan EXILE (theatrical company)", performing in a movie "Kyoki no Sakura" by Toei, etc.

In overseas countries, France and Africa tour in 1998 (by The Japan Foundation), performance at "FIFA World Cup France Championship" closing ceremony as a representative of next host nation, Europe tour (England, Belgium and Finland) in 2000, participation in the official musical event of JAPAN DAY for Hannover EXPO2000 (Germany), performances in Moscow and St. Petersburg as an official opening event for "Japanese Culture Festival 2003 in Russia", Caribbean tour in 2004 (Barbados, Cuba, Dominican Republic), Southeast Asia Tour (Thailand, Malaysia, Brunei) in 2007, stage performance at Japan Pavilion of Expo 2010 Shanghai, and Mexico tour in 2014 (Largest art festival in Central and South America "Festival International Cervantino", etc.)

After various activities in overseas countries and Japan, 20th Anniversary Memorial Performance was held at Setagaya Public Theater in May, 2015.

They aim at a stage art with new attractiveness of Taiko with their music sense based on high level performance technique and integrated structure staging for visual sense.