

Curriculum vitae

The Association for Promoting Japanese Culture through Comic Storyteller, Rakugo was founded in 2010 on the occasion of Rakumaro's performances in Moscow. It is a voluntary organization composed of 32 members (as of January 2022) and engages in activities aimed at contributing to the spreading of Japanese culture and language through Rakugo.

Performers



Rakugo Master Sanyutei Rakumaro

Born in 1963 in Chiba, Japan, Rakumaro pursued rakugo under Sanyutei Enraku since 1982. He was given the title "Sin-uchi" in 1991 and has been active in the rakugo world throughout Japan and foreign countries. The countries where he has performed so far are: China, India, Thailand, US, UK, Russia, Croatia, Montenegro, and Serbia



Takako Hiraoka, soprano

Studied music at Toho Gakuen College Music Department, and then at Saint Petersburg Conservatory. Since then, she has been performing and conducting cultural exchange projects actively in Europe and Japan. Takako accompanied Master Sanyutei Rakumaro on the occasion of his tour in the Far Eastern Region of Russia in 2018.



Yoshiko Kadota, piano

Having studied piano at Toho Gakuen College Music Department, she continued her studies at Indiana University Music Department. In 1997 Yoshiko played Ravel's Concerto in C with National Oltenia Philharmonic Orchestra in Romania. Since 2012, she has been playing regularly with former chief second violin of Vienna Philharmonic, Peter Waechter.