

Japanese Calligraphy

Join us for a 5 session course on Japanese Calligraphy

書道 Shodo: "the way of writing"

When: Wednesday 4/26, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24 (5 Sessions)

Time: 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Where: Japan-America Society of Washington DC

1819 L Street NW, B2, Washington DC 20036

Closest Metro stations: Farragut North and Farragut West Contact information 202-833-2210 or info@jaswdc.org

Tuition: (5 Classes) \$150 for JASW Members / \$175 for non-JASW Members

(Individual ticket) \$40 per class

Brushes, ink, and paper will be provided for classroom use only.

To Register: Register by mail or online at www.jaswdc.org

Deadline: Monday, April 24, 2017

Payment MUST be received by this date. Limited seats available!

*Students should dress appropriately for class; do not wear clothes that might be damaged or smudged by the *sumi* ink. Students might wish to wear an old shirt, T-shirt, or artist's smock.

Instructor: Ms. Sally Abita has been teaching calligraphy, *shodo*, to public school students for the past 8 years. She has a great awareness how to teach Japanese calligraphy to non-Japanese students. For the first day of the class, students will learn basic *shodo* techniques, such as how to hold and use the brush, how to position the paper, how to ink the brush, and how to make basic brush strokes. Students will complete and submit their own favorite Japanese character in *shodo* on the last day of the class. Students will also learn the meaning of some Japanese characters. Using her teaching experience at public school, she will teach *shodo* from the beginner to intermediate levels, as well as teaching people who want to learn "the way of writing" as an art.

^{*}In case the class has 3 students or less, the class will not be offered and we will refund full amount.



cancellations after deadline date and no shows.

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Our concept is not only to study basic traditional Japanese writing, but to also have an opportunity to experience making these artistic characters in a carefree and joyful environment. We guarantee everyone will enjoy making and creating these characters in a relaxed atmosphere. The Instructor will explain about the Japanese culture and language, so don't worry if you have no experience of Japanese Art or Japanese. The class will give you the opportunity to expand your knowledge of the language in real situations, as well as learning the beautiful art of *shodo*.

For beginners:

- Learn how to write *Hiragana* and basic *Kanji* characters with basic techniques (*Kaisho* style)
- Completed artwork will be placed on a special board with your own hand-made stamp print. (Each student receives one (1) personalized rubber stamp *hanko*)

4/26 (Wed)
Practice 2-4 letters *Hiragana* characters

5/3 (Wed) Practice basic 1-2 letters *Kanji* characters and *Hiragana*

5/10 (Wed)
Choose favorite 2-4 letters *Hiragana* or *Kanji* characters and practice favorite *Hiragana* or *Kanji* characters

5/17 (Wed)

Select 2-4 letters *Kanji* characters or 2-4 letters *Hiragana* for final art work Practice selected *Kanji* characters or *Hiragana* for final art work

5/24 (Wed)

Practice selected *Kanji* characters or *Hiragana* for final art work.

Make final art work.



For intermediate:

- Learn how to write 1-4 letters *Kanji* characters with traditional techniques (*Kaisho* style)
- Completed Artwork will be placed in special board or frame with own stamps.

4/26 (Wed)

Practice 1-4 letters *Kanji* characters (For intermediate)

5/3 (Wed)

Practice 2-4 letters *Kanji* characters or Mix with *Kanji* characters and *Hiragana* (For intermediate)

5/10 (Wed)

Choose favorite 2-4 letters *Kanji* characters and practice favorite 2-4 letters *Kanji* characters (For intermediate)

5/17 (Wed)

Select 2-4 letters *Kanji* characters or 2-4 letters *Kanji* characters and *Hiragana* for final art work Practice selected *Kanji* characters or *Kanji* characters and *Hiragana* for final art work

5/24 (Wed)

Practice selected for *Kanji* characters or *Kanji* characters and *Hiragana* for art work

Make final art work











