

# Shaping the U.S.–Japan Partnership: Creative Industries, Information Access, and Subnational Diplomacy

Smithsonian's National Museum of Asian Art

1050 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC

**8:30 a.m.** Registration

**9:00 a.m.** Welcome Remarks

Mr. Charles D. Lake II, U.S. CULCON Chair

Dr. Chase F. Robinson, Director of the National Museum of Asian Art



**9:10 a.m.** KEYNOTE: Advancing Mutual Understanding Through the Creative Industries: Is Godzilla a Cultural Ambassador?

Moderator: Dr. William M. Tsutsui, U.S. CULCON Vice Chair; Chancellor of Ottawa University

Keynote Speakers:

Mr. Hiroyasu Matsuoka, President/CEO of TOHO Co., Ltd.

Mr. Shunichi Tokura, Commissioner for Agency of Cultural Affairs, Government of Japan



**10:55 a.m.** The Impacts of Digitization and A.I. on Information Access

Moderator: Mr. Trevor A. Dawes, Vice Provost for Libraries and Museums and May Morris University Librarian at the University of Delaware

Dr. Yuko Takahashi, President of Tsuda University

Ms. Aiko Doden, Distinguished Senior Fellow at The Edwin O. Reischauer Center, The Johns Hopkins University

Ms. Emily Singley, Vice President of North American Library Relations, Elsevier



**11:50 a.m.** Driving Forces of U.S.–Japan Subnational Diplomacy

Moderator: Dr. Sheila A. Smith, John E. Merow Senior Fellow for Asia-Pacific Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations

Dr. Mary Alice Haddad, Professor of Government, Wesleyan University

Ms. Lori Duggan Gold, Deputy Director for Operations and External Affairs, Smithsonian's National Museum of Asian Art

Ms. Jessyca Livingston, Executive Director of USJET Program Alumni Association (USJETAA)

Mr. Shin Koyamada, Founder and Chair of the Japan United States Sister City Association (JUSSCA)



**12:50 p.m.** Closing Remarks

Amb. Kenichiro Sasae, Japan CULCON Chair

