

Philippines sees Yayoi Kusama's art for the first time in "I Love Kusama" exhibit
I speak KUSAMA – a lecture by Akira Tatehata on Aug 10

The Japan Foundation in cooperation with the Ayala Museum is pleased to announce a special lecture by Akira Tatehata, one of the world's leading experts on Yayoi Kusama, on August 10 at Ayala Museum. The lecture is part of the "I love Kusama" Exhibition which is on view at the Ground Floor Gallery and Third Floor Glass Lane of the Ayala Museum until September 1, 2013.

- **Date: August 10, 2013 (Saturday) 4p.m.**
- **Venue: Ayala Museum Ground Floor Lobby (Makati City, Philippines)**

*Lecture will be given in Japanese with English translation

*Admission: Php300.00 inclusive of museum fee

Lecturer: Akira Tatehata

Akira Tatehata is a well-known art critic and curator in Japan on the works of Yayoi Kusama. He is the President of the Kyoto City University of Arts and the Director of the Museum of Modern Art in Saitama. He specializes in modern and contemporary art and has curated many exhibitions on modern/contemporary art in Asia. He has also served as Commissioner of the Japan Pavilion in the Venice Biennale in 1990 and 1993 and was the Artistic Director of the Yokohama Triennale in 2001 and Aichi Triennale in 2010.



"I love Kusama" Exhibition



Yayoi Kusama **SEX OBSESSION (DIPTYCH)**
 1992 Acrylic on canvas 194 x 260 cm
 Lito and Kim Camacho Collection



Yayoi Kusama,
 official portrait provided by
 Ota Fine Arts, Tokyo, (c)
 Yayoi Kusama Studio

The exhibition "I love Kusama" is the first major Yayoi Kusama show in the Philippines organized by the Ayala Museum, with the assistance of Lito and Kim Camacho, one of the leading collectors of Kusama, the Japan Foundation Manila, and the guidance of Ota Fine Arts, Yayoi Kusama Studio, and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art (LACMA).

Duration: July 16, 2013 – September 1, 2013

Venue: Ayala Museum (Makati City, Philippines) <http://www.ayalamuseum.org/>

* The exhibition is held in celebration of the 40th Year of the ASEAN-Japan Friendship and Cooperation.

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