

Japanese Film Screening with English Subtitles

Presented by Kyoto Institute, Library and Archives (KILA) and the Japan Foundation Kyoto office

羅生門 Rashomon

Directed by : Kurosawa Akira

Cast : Mifune Toshiro, Kyo Machiko

B&W/35mm/1950/88min./KADOKAWA(Daiei)



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In the 10th century, a samurai travelling through the countryside with his wife is found stabbed to death in the shrubs in Yamashina, Kyoto. Testimonies of all four people involved -a robber, the samurai's wife, the deceased samurai who speaks through a miko (spiritualistic medium), and a woodcutter- are totally different. Humans tend to fabricate their tales to suit their own convenience, and the truth cannot be determined.

The unique structure of this film was shown at the 1951 Venice Film Festival. This was the first Japanese fictional film to be shown at an International Film Festival after the war, and it won the Grand Prix Award. It went on to win the Academy Award of U.S.A. as the Best Foreign Film, and thus the name of KUROSAWA AKIRA became known the world over. It was the first film that established the advance of Japanese films into the international scene.

(Kinema-Junpo: #5, Venice Film Festival: Grand Prix, American Academy Award: Best Foreign Film)
(Refer to the Japan Foundation Film Library Database)



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Application Period

November 2nd to November 30th, 2020

(Weekdays 9:00 to 17:00)

Where to apply

Fumin Sogo Annai Soudan Center

Tel: 075-411-5000

Advance booking

**Free Admission / Advance booking is required.
Participant Limit: 220**

Apply via telephone to the below number with your name and contact number; up to 2 persons per application.

Please note that names and contact numbers of all applicants are necessary.

Date

Monday, December 7th, 2020 14:00- (doors open at 13:00)

Venue

Main Hall (220 seats)

Kyoto Institute, Library and Archives (KILA)



Please use public transportation services such as subway and buses.

From JR or Kintetsu Kyoto Station, and Hankyu Karasuma Station
Take the Kyoto City Subway Karasuma Line to Kitayama Station, take Exit 1,
and walk south for about 4 minutes.

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