

Washi

Ancient Material, Inspiring Contemporary Resource

Talk with Nancy Jacobi, The Japanese Paper Place



Nancy Jacobi, founder of The Japanese Paper Place, Toronto, will give a brief history of the 1400-year-old technique for making *washi* - handmade Japanese paper.

From her photos, taken over 40 years of visiting the papermaking villages, you will learn of the painstaking method of growing and preparing the renewable fibre and forming it into strong, versatile sheets of paper.

You will see the creative use of washi by artists, both in and outside Japan, including by Rembrandt and contemporary artist virtuosos like Naoko Matsubara. Once a crucial industry in Japan, production has declined drastically and is today facing critical challenges for continuation.

Thursday, September 12 at 6:30 pm
Embassy of Japan (255 Sussex Drive, Ottawa)

Free admission. Seating is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

Only street parking available. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the event.