

Getting 'Hands-On' with Japan's Traditional Craft Culture

Capacity: 30



Practicing calligraphy

Kyoto's 1000 year history of craftsmanship is studied, celebrated and passed on to the future at Kyogokoro Handicraft Center. Join us here for the opportunity to learn about these fascinating traditions. At the start of this tour you will see a demonstration of Japanese *ikebana* flower arranging. Then you'll be invited to experience *intangible cultural heritage* first hand as you attend your choice of traditional craft class in either hand-brushed calligraphy, the delicate art of incense appreciation or the complex practice of dressing in kimono.

Itinerary

*The itinerary is subject to change without notice.

- 14:00 Meet at West Building of Kyoto Handicraft Center
(21 Shougoin Entomi-cho, Sakyo-ku, Kyoto 606-8323)
- 14:30–16:00 Kyogokoro Handicraft Center Cultural activities (End of tour)

Kyogokoro Handicraft Center: After enjoying a demonstration of the Japanese flower arranging techniques of *ikebana*, you will be invited to try a shortened version of one or two cultural activities chosen from calligraphy, incense appreciation and kimono-wearing, which usually take 1.5 to 2 hours to complete. Then you may join an optional craft-making workshop to create kneaded incense, scented bags, and hair accessories, all in the traditional style of Kyoto's handcrafting heritage.



Kimono-wearing



Incense appreciation



Scented bags