

International Art Fair at Nijo-jo Castle Special Preview of artKYOTO 2019

Capacity: 30



Join artKYOTO, an international art fair to be held at the former Imperial Villa Nijo-jo Castle, a UNESCO World Heritage site, where more than 40 leading Japanese and international galleries with a keen eye for aesthetics will present selected works of art, ranging from antiques to contemporary works. You are invited to a special preview of the art fair on its first day.

Itinerary

*The itinerary is subject to change without notice.

- 15:45 Meet at the ticket gate at Subway Nijojo-Mae StationWalk.....
- 16:00 - 16:30 artKYOTO 2019 Ceremony (Higashi-otemon Gate of Nijo-jo Castle)
- 16:30 - 17:30 Strolling in the castle garden and relaxing in the VIP lounge at the Koun-tei teahouse
- 17:30 - 18:30 Tour around artKYOTO 2019 held at the Ninomaru-goten Palace Daidokoro Kitchen/Okiyodokoro Kitchen and southeast corner turret
- 18:30 - 20:00 Free time at artKYOTO 2019 (Please depart on your own.)

Nijo-jo Castle: This is a UNESCO World Heritage site, where a ceremony was held to celebrate the beginning of the Tokugawa Shogunate and where the declaration of the end of the political rule of the Tokugawa Shogunate and the restoration of Imperial rule was made.

Ninomaru-goten Palace Daidokoro Kitchen/Okiyodokoro Kitchen: This is an *irimoya*-style building with traditional tiled roof, dating to the early Edo period, and an Important Cultural Property.

Southeast corner turret: Turrets were built at the four corners of the outer moat of Nijo-jo Castle as watchtowers, and were used for storing weapons in ordinary times.

artKYOTO 2019: Since ancient times, there have been two different styles in Japanese art, which together have led to today's Japanese contemporary art. One is conceptual based Buddhist art and the other is pop art, typified by *Chouju-giga* (cartoons of birds and animals) and the Rinpa school of Japanese paintings. Kyoto is the centre of both styles of Japanese art. At artKYOTO, a wide range of works from antiques to contemporary pieces spanning different periods and regions will be presented to highlight the value of art.



Ninomaru-goten Palace Daidokoro Kitchen
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