



MATSUDA Gonroku's *Maki-e* Studio

Related Materials and Items

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MATSUDA Gonroku's tools

Left showcase

- 1 : *Kujira bera* (whale spatula)
- 2 : Brush modeled after one from the Heian period (794-1192) discovered during the repair of Chuson-ji Temple's Golden Hall
- 3 : Spatula made of cypress bark
- 4 : Brushes used only for final coating
- 5 : Brushes used only for undercoating
- 6 : Brushes for fine application
- 7 : Small brushes
- 8 : *Ashirai kebo* (treatment brush)
- 9 : Tortoiseshell spatula for washing *maki-e* brushes
- 10 : Brushes for "*hikkaki*" (scratching) made of wire of different sizes
- 11 : *Bunmawashi* (compass)
- 12 : *Kenki* (dog's fang)
- 13 : *Taiki* (sea bream tooth)
- 14 : Various *maki-e* fude (decoration brushes)
- 15 : *Fun-zutsu* (pow der pipe)
- 16 : Knives used to shave a spatula or scrape off dry lacquer, called a lacquerer's knife (*nushi-gatana*)
- 17 : *Yari-kanna* (spear plane)
- 18 : Chisels and cutting knives

Articles owned by the artist

- 19 : Felt hat
- 20 : Wristwatch
- 21 : Writing utensils
- 22 : Glasses

A drawer of powder cabinet

Middle showcase (lowest shelf)

- 23 : *Fun-chin*
(a paperweight for holding folded-paper packages of *maki-e* gold and silver powder)
- 24 : *Fun-saji* (a small spoon for *maki-e* gold and silver powder)
- 25 : *Fun-zutsu* (powder pipe) made of bird quill
(see also Exhibit No. 15)
- 26 : *Tume-ban*
a small pallet for lacquer when working on *maki-e*)
- 27 : *Ashirai kebo* (treatment brush)
- 28 : *Harai kebo* (a brush used to remove dust)

Materials used for *maki-e*

Right showcase (lowest shelf)

- 29 : Turbo marmoratus
- 30 : Abalone
- 31 : Mexican abalone
- 32 : Shell sheet
- 33 : Egg shell (Quail)
- 34 : Ivory
- 35 : Various materials for *hyomon*

Special display: Gazing at Nature

Middle showcase

- 36 : MATSUDA Gonroku: "Serving dishes, pine design, *maki-e*", c.1966 *two of a set of six dishes
- 37 : MATSUDA Gonroku: "Incense case of *ikkan-bari* work, plum blossom design, *maki-e*", 1943
- 38 : MATSUDA Gonroku: "Tea caddy, mandarin duck design, *maki-e*", 1945
- 39 : MATSUDA Gonroku: "Tea caddy of zelkova wood, cherry blossom design, *maki-e*", c.1976
- 40 : MATSUDA Gonroku: "A set of cigarette case and ash trays, crane design, *maki-e*", c.1955

Right showcase

- 41 : MATSUDA Gonroku: "Square tray, peony design, *maki-e*", 1983
- 42 : MATSUDA Gonroku: Design diaries
- 43 : MATSUDA Gonroku: Sketchbook