

How Can Drama & Theatre Offer a Place for Children and Young People?

Japan and UK Perspectives

Seminar

Date: 8 September 2010, 13:30-17:30

Venue: Japan Foundation, London

Russell Square House, 10-12 Russell Square, London, WC1B 5EH

Keynote Speakers:

Dr Cecily O'Neill

Hisashi Shimoyama, Director of KIJIMUNA FESTA (International Theatre Festival Okinawa for Young Audience)

Dr Takashi Takao, Associate Professor, Tokyo Gakugei University, Graduate School

Prof. Yuriko Kobayashi, Tokyo City University

(Schedule)

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| 1:30 -2:00 | Registration and networking |
| 2:00- 2:05 | Greeting by Takashi Ishida, Director General, Japan Foundation, London |
| 2:05 -2:10 | Introduction by Vicky Ireland MBE, Action for Children's Arts (Chair)
Performance of Japanese storytelling by Kumiko Mendl, A Thousand Cranes Theatre. |
| 2:10-2:15 | Introduction by Prof. Yuriko Kobayashi, Tokyo City University |
| 2:10- 3:10 | Keynote speeches:
Dr Cecily O'Neill
Hisashi Shimoyama, Director of KIJIMUNA FESTA (International Theatre Festival Okinawa for Young Audience)
Dr Takashi Takao, Associate Professor, Tokyo Gakugei University, Graduate School
Prof. Yuriko Kobayashi, Tokyo City University |
| 3:10 - 3:20 | Break |
| 3:20 - 4:10 | Panel Discussion:
Dr Cecily O'Neill, Hisashi Shimoyama, Dr Takashi Takao, Dr Allan Owens (University of Chester),
Prof Yuriko Kobayashi
Moderator: Tony Graham, Unicorn Theatre |
| 4:10 - 4:40 | Q&A |
| 4:40 - 5:30 | Closing + Networking |

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