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Directions



By Automobile

From I-76 Take exit 341/Montgomery Dr. from I-76/Schuylkill Expressway. Turn west on Montgomery and take the first left on Horticultural Dr. at the sign for the Horticulture Center and the Japanese House and Garden. Pass through the black iron gates and follow Horticultural Dr. around the greenhouses to the Japanese house.

From Belmont Ave. Turn east on Montgomery Dr toward the Schuylkill River. Take the first right on Horticultural Dr. at the sign for the Horticulture Center and the Japanese House and Garden. Pass through the black iron gates and follow Horticultural Dr. around the greenhouses to the Japanese House.

By SEPTA

Take the route 38 bus from Center City or the Wissahickon Transfer Station to the Please Touch Museum stop at Memorial Hall Drive. Walk behind the PTM, turn left, and walk through the black iron gates to Shofuso.

By Philly Phlash

Take the purple Philly Phlash shuttle from any pickup point in Center City or West Philadelphia to stop #16 at the Please Touch Museum. Walk behind the PTM, turn left, and walk through the black iron gates to Shofuso.

Shofuso

Japanese House and Garden

*Tour our house, view our garden,
and feed our koi!*

Shofuso Japanese House and Garden is a traditional-style Japanese house and nationally-ranked garden in Philadelphia's West Fairmount Park that **reflects the history of Japanese culture in Philadelphia**, from 1876 to present day.

Shofuso was built in Japan in 1953 using historic-techniques and time-honored materials. The house was **exhibited in the courtyard at the Museum of Modern Art in New York** and then moved to **Philadelphia in 1958 to the site of several previous Japanese structures dating to the 1876 Centennial Exposition.**

In 2007, internationally renowned artist **Hiroshi Senju, inspired by our waterfall, created and donated the 20-panel Waterfall mural painting installation in our main rooms.**

Shofuso's garden is a **nationally-recognized historic landscape** consistently cited for its authenticity. Shofuso was named to the **Philadelphia Historic Register** in June 2013 and has been a contributing site to the Fairmount Park National Historic District since 1973.

Shofuso is **administered by the Friends of the Japanese House and Garden (FJHG)**, a private non-profit organization, that has administered, operated, funded, and preserved the city-owned site since 1982.

School, camp, and adult group tours
Summer camp | Adult and youth workshops
Public and private tea ceremony
Japanese tea lessons | Japanese dance classes
Site rentals | Photography
Wedding and commitment ceremonies
www.shofuso.com

Admission

*In keeping with Japanese tradition,
all visitors must remove their shoes to enter Shofuso.
"Shoes on stone, socks on wood."*

\$7.00	adults
\$5.00	senior citizens, students with ID, and children ages 3-17
\$4.00	reserved tour groups with additional \$20 registration fee
FREE	FJHG members and children under 3

Hours

Weekends only in April
11 am—5 pm Sat & Sun

Weekdays and weekends in May through September
10 am—4 pm Wed—Fri
11 am—5 pm Sat & Sun
Closed Mon & Tues

Weekends only in October
11 am—5 pm Sat & Sun

Closed Independence Day July 4

Information and Reservations

Group tours available weekdays by appointment from April through October. Contact tours@shofuso.com.

Visit our site:

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Events 2014 Japanese House and Garden

*Escape to
Japan!*

*in
West Fairmount Park
Philadelphia*



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Events 2014

Japanese Tea Lessons: Every Saturday morning at Shofuso April - October, at the Sakura Pavilion November - March

MARCH	Sat & Sun	Shofuso is open on weekends for Cherry Blossom season	11 am - 5 pm	Regular admission
APRIL				
4.3	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evenings	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
4.3	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons Learn about Japanese culture and how to wear a kimono as you learn to dance. Kimono not needed for first class; a beginning set - yukata (cotton kimono), obi, hito, and a fan - is available to purchase. Wear your own white socks.	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
4.6	Sun	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	2 pm - 4:30 pm	\$25/\$15
4.12	Sat	Nodate Tea Ceremony Enjoy a traditional Japanese tea ceremony on Shofuso's veranda under the weeping cherry tree.	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$35/\$30
4.13	Sun	Sakura Sunday - Annual Subaru Cherry Blossom Festival Additional festival entrance and parking fee to access the Horticultural Center grounds and Shofuso. See subarucherryblossom.org for details and schedule.	11 am - 5 pm	\$5/Free for membs. & under 14
4.15-4.17	Tue-Thu	Family Spring Break Keep the kids busy with activities at Shofuso while you all enjoy cherry blossom season!	10 am - 4 pm	Included with reg. admission
4.27	Sun	East Meets West Over Tea with Philadelphia Museum of Art First, enjoy Japanese Tea Ceremony at Shofuso, then tour Woodford historic house to learn about tea in early America. This guided trolley tour starts and ends at the PMA. Register at 215-235-SHOW (7469) or www.philamuseum.org .	1 pm - 4:30 pm	\$55/\$44 PMA and FJHG membs.
4.30	Wed-Sun	Shofuso is open to the public for the season.		Regular admission
MAY				
5.1	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evenings	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
5.1	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
5.11	Sun	Mother's Day Tea Ceremony Enjoy traditional Japanese tea ceremony in a beautiful, authentic setting, sitting either on tatami mats or chairs. Drink a bowl of matcha (green tea) and taste a seasonal sweet. Space is limited and reservations are required.	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$35/\$30
5.18	Sun	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	2 pm - 4:30 pm	\$25/\$15
5.18	Sun	Bonsai Workshop Each participant in this small group will learn to train and care for a new bonsai to take home.	1 pm - 4pm	\$85/\$70 PBS & FJHG members
JUNE				
6.1	Sun	Japanese Tea Ceremony - see May 11 for description	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25
6.5	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evening	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
6.5	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
6.14	Sat	Japanese Tea Ceremony Drink a bowl of matcha (green tea) and taste a seasonal sweet with visiting Omotesenke tea school.	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25 or \$40/\$35
6.15	Sun	Father's Day Japanese Classical Dance Performance Teachers and students present informal Japanese dance performances as scheduled at www.shofuso.com .	tbd	Included with reg. admission
JULY				
7.3	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evenings	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
7.3	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
7.5-7.6	Sat-Sun	Family Tanabata Weekend Tanabata is the traditional Japanese star festival, held in midsummer. Join us to tie wishes to the bamboo, watch our giant tanabata "star" ornaments swish in the breeze, and make paper cranes for good luck.	11am - 5pm	Included with reg. admission
7.13	Sun	Japanese Tea Ceremony - see May 11 for description	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25
7.14	Mon-Fri	Summer Camp - A Taste of Japan! (entering grades 3-6)	9 am - 3 pm	\$260/\$235 preregistration req.
7.20	Sun	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	2 pm - 4:30 pm	\$25/\$15
7.21	Mon-Fri	Summer Camp - Tea Ceremony (entering grades 3-6)	9 am - 3 pm	\$260/\$235 preregistration req.
7.28	Mon-Fri	Summer Camp - Martial Arts (entering grades 3-6)	9 am - 3 pm	\$260/\$235 preregistration req.
AUGUST				
8.3	Sun	Japanese Tea Ceremony - see May 11 for description	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25
8.4	Mon-Fri	Summer Camp - Taiko Drumming (entering grades 3-6)	9 am - 3 pm	\$260/\$235 preregistration req.
8.7	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evening	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
8.7	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
8.11	Mon-Fri	Summer Camp - J-Pop! Manga & Anime (entering grades 3-6)	9 am - 3 pm	\$260/\$235 preregistration req.
8.17	Sun	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	2 pm - 4:30 pm	\$25/\$15
8.21-8.24	Thu-Sun	Third Annual Ikebana Exhibition Ikebana International Philadelphia Chapter #71 exhibit their finest floral arrangements in a traditional Japanese venue.		Included with reg. admission
SEPTEMBER				
9.4	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evening	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
9.4	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
9.7	Sun	Japanese Tea Ceremony - see May 11 for description	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25
9.21	Sun	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	2 pm - 4:30 pm	\$25/\$15
OCTOBER				
10.2	Thu	First Thursday: Members-Only Evening	4 pm - 7 pm	Free for members
10.2	Thu	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	3 pm - 5:30 pm	\$25/\$15
10.4	Sat	Japanese Tea Ceremony Drink a bowl of matcha (green tea) and taste a seasonal sweet with visiting Omotesenke tea school.	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25 or \$40/\$35
10.5	Sun	Shofuso closes for daily visitation.		Regular admission
10.10	Fri	Open Sat & Sun through October Moonviewing Tea Ceremony Savor matcha (green tea) and a seasonal sweet while overlooking Shofuso's pond, as night falls and the moon rises.	7 pm - 8 pm	\$35/\$30
10.11-10.12	Sat & Sun	Suburu Family Moonviewing Weekend Otsukimi, or moon viewing, is a traditional celebration where offerings are made to the full moon to give thanks for a good harvest. Otsukimi themed activities, including rabbit origami and kamishibai storytelling.	11 am - 5 pm	Included with reg. admission
10.11	Sat	Moonviewing (Otsukimi) Party Enjoy rustic Japanese nibbles, sip sake, enjoy quiet music, and celebrate a successful harvest at this traditional Japanese gathering of friends. Space is limited & reservations are required.	7 pm - 9 pm	\$45/\$40
10.19	Sun	Japanese Classical Dance Lessons - see April 3 for description	2 pm - 4:30 pm	\$25/\$15
10.25	Sat	Japanese Flea Market Find unique new and gently-used Japanese gifts and items in this Japanese community event.	11 am - 4 pm	Free at Sakura Pavilion
10.26	Sun	Japanese Tea Ceremony Drink a bowl of matcha (green tea) and taste a seasonal sweet with visiting Mushanokojisenke tea school.	1 pm & 2:30 pm	\$30/\$25

MORE INFORMATION AND REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.SHOFUSO.COM