Japan Media Arts Festival –Information on the Press Preview, Awards Ceremony, and Media Coverage Symposia speakers confirmed! What not to miss at this year's festival.

January 21, 2010

The 13th Japan Media Arts Festival will be presenting nearly 180 works of art, entertainment, animation, and manga that have been selected among submissions from all over Japan and the world. They will be exhibited at The National Art Center, Tokyo (Roppongi, Tokyo) from Wednesday February 3, 2010 to Sunday February 14, 2010.

Before the opening of the festival, we would like to invite press members to a preview on Tuesday February 2, 2010 from 3:30 p.m., where they will be able to view the winning works on a guided tour of the festival. If you are interested in attending the preview, please fill out and send us the attached form. We are also accepting forms regarding media coverage during the festival.

The number of submissions for the festival has been increasing for five consecutive years, peaking this year at 2,592 works from 54 countries and regions. Many of this year's winning pieces are large-scale works that explored themes such as the relationship between humans and nature, humanity in the course of history, and media and the body.

This year, there are four times as many symposia and presentations held by award winners and jury members than there were in the festival last year. There will also be a variety of events and workshop, screening programs from international festivals, the 15th Computer Graphics Contest for Students, Leading edge technology showcase'10, making for a dynamic festival where you can experience the forefront of media arts firsthand.

Several symposia and presentations are bilingual. For more details about the winning works and symposia and presentation speakers and schedules, please see our website: http://plaza.bunka.go.jp/english/festival/2009/information/

Details of the Press Preview

Location: The National Art Center, Tokyo (7-22-2 Roppongi, Minato-ku, Tokyo), Special Exhibition Gallery 2E Presentation Stage. [Direct access from Nogizaka subway station or 4 to 6 minute walk from Roppongi subway station]

Date: Tuesday February 2, 2010 from 15:30 to 16:00. (Reception starts at 15:00 at the entrance of the Special Exhibition Gallery 2E.) *The tour in Japanese is at 15:00. *Entry to the press preview ends at 19:00.

Content: An guided tour of the winning works of the festival. (English)

Attendance: The winners of each category are scheduled to attend.

Other scheduled events:

General preview: Tuesday Feburary 2, 2010, 16:00-19:00, Special Exhibition Gallery 2E, The National Art Center

Awards ceremony: Tuesday February 2, 2010, 18:00–19:00, Midtown Hall B, Tokyo Midtown Celebration Banquet: Tuesday February 2, 2010, 19:15–21:00 Midtown Hall A, Tokyo Midtown

13th Japan Media Arts Festival Exhibition Information

Time: 10:00 - 18:00, Wednesday, February 3 - Sunday, February 14

Open until 20:00 on Fridays

The Center will be closed on Tuesday, February 9

Venue: Special Exhibition Gallery 2E, The National Art Center, Tokyo

Admission: Free

URL: http://plaza.bunka.go.jp/english/

Organizer: Japan Media Arts Festival Executive Committee

(Agency for Cultural Affairs /The National Art Center, Tokyo / CG-ARTS)

Contact: Japan Media Arts Festival Secretariat Office, c/o CG-ARTS

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Please contact the numbers or URL below if you would like to publish images of other award-winning works in your media:, PublicRelations, CG- ARTS: TEL: +81-3-3535-3501 / FAX: +81-3-3562-4840 / http://plaza.bunka.go.jp/english/q/

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Japan Media Arts Festival Secretariat Office

13th Japan Media Arts Festival Press Registration Form

Please check the events	that you wish to	cover.	
□ Awards Ceremony and Celebration Banquet (Reception from 17:00)		Tuesday February 2, 2010, 18:00-21:00	
☐ Press Preview (Reception from 1	5:00)	Tuesday February 2, 201	0, 15:30-16:00
□ General Preview		Tuesday February 2, 201	0, 16:00-19:00
☐ Computer Graphics Contest for S	itudents Awards Ceremony	Saturday February 6, 20	11:00-12:00
□ Symposia ()	
(*Please write the title of the	e symposia.)	
□ Other ()	
■Company name			
■Media/Publication name			
■Your name			
■Names of other members in your party (Total of people)			
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