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The Craft of Tea: *The art of contemporary Japanese tea ceramics*

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This September, Dai Ichi Arts is delighted to present “The Craft of Tea”, an exhibition dedicated to modern & contemporary ceramics by master artists from Japan.

Exhibition dates:

September 12 - 20, 2024 | Opening reception: September 12, 2024, 4:30 - 6:30 PM | Drinks served

- *Japanese Tea Master Yoshitsugu Nagano will be present at the exhibition opening to offer tea drinking and object handling sessions with guests.*



Group of ceramic works by Maeda Masahiro, Yamada Hiroki, and Kato Shuntai. Hanging scroll by Arakawa Toyozo.

NEW YORK, NY — *We are delighted to announce our forthcoming exhibition showcasing the best of Japanese tea ceramics by contemporary Japanese master potters. These artists honor tradition and utility while showcasing their craft with contemporary expressions. We welcome you to explore the ways in which the fine craftsmanship of modern Japanese ceramics can **create new, contemporary ways of living with art.***

*We are pleased to introduce two new contributors from the tea ceramics community to our catalog. The first is **Mark Tyson, a collector, artist, and educator.** Mark shares his passion for collecting and making*

*tea bowls, offering insights into the significance these objects hold for him and the people he inspires. Our second guest essayist is a **tea master from Japan**, who has dedicated his life to promoting tea culture globally. Since moving to the US from Japan in 2022, tea master **Yoshitsugu Nagano** has been advocating for tea as a daily respite from the demands of modern life. He envisions tea becoming as popular as a culture and drink embraced by people of all ages, from children to adults.*

Through this exhibition, Dai Ichi Arts is delighted to introduce our new series, "Paintings by Potters," featuring scroll paintings by potters who not only create ceramics for the tea ceremony but also incorporate calligraphy into their artistic practice.