Sublime gardens, awe-inspiring temples, quiet teahouses and colorful shrines are the focus of this nine-day Presidents’ College trip to Kyoto—the heart of traditional Japanese culture. Taking advantage of the gentle weather of late spring, this journey will explore crafts workshops, marketplaces, Noh theatre, contemporary art museums and the city’s renowned cuisine. A foray into the region will include an overnight on the offshore “art” island of Naoshima and a visit to Kobe, known for its sake and its beef.

Hiro Fukawa and Sherry Buckberrough, faculty members at the University of Hartford’s Hartford Art School, will lead the trip. Along with acclaimed guest artists and local guides, they will offer insight into ancient customs as well as recent adventures in Japanese art.

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    Non-refundable deposit after Dec. 31, 2015, $500 per person

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May 26—Arrival in Kyoto. Orientation and dinner at the hotel.

May 27—Tour of historic Kyoto temples and Zen gardens. Lunch at a Buddhist monastery. Shopping at a traditional Japanese market.

May 28—Departure by charter bus for Uno, where we will take a ferry to Naoshima, enjoy the island landscape and visit art museums by night. Overnight in Naoshima.

May 29—Explore outdoor museums in Naoshima, return to Uno by ferry, spend the afternoon in Kobe at a museum or seeing the city. Dinner featuring Kobe beef for beef lovers, fish and veggies for the rest. Overnight in Kobe.

May 30—Visit to a sake brewery where we will have lunch. Afternoon: charter bus to Kyoto and visit to Sanjusangendo Temple with its 1,000 Buddha sculptures.

May 31—Afternoon visit to a traditional incense workshop and to the home of a famous ceramic artist.

June 1—Afternoon visit to Kyoto Museum of Modern Art. Evening at a traditional outdoor Tagiki Noh play, complete with bonfire.

June 2—Free day. Evening event: Sayonara Party at a restaurant on the river.

June 3—Departure after breakfast.

Note: Individuals may choose to arrange day trips, with advice from Hiro, to nearby Nara or Osaka in lieu of parts of the planned itinerary.

THE ARTS AND CULTURE OF JAPAN—Hiro Fukawa and Sherry Buckberrough

Hiro Fukawa is associate professor of sculpture. Born and raised in Japan, he did graduate work at the Rhode Island School of Design.

Sherry Buckberrough is associate professor of art history and chairs the department of art history. She has a strong interest in contemporary global art, particularly developments in Japan.

Accommodations will be in comfortable four-star hotels and will include all transportation in Kyoto and the other locations visited by the group, breakfast each day, and lunch or dinner on most days. It also includes all entrance fees and other incidentals.

» The tour will be limited to 14 people.

» Participants will be responsible for transportation to and from Kyoto, but we will provide help and advice concerning arrangements for accommodation for a night in Tokyo at the start of the trip and ground transportation between Tokyo and Kyoto.

» The cost, including all of the above, is $3790 for double occupancy. Please inquire for single occupancy rates. The cost includes a $500 tax-deductible contribution to the University of Hartford.

» Full payment for the trip will be due by January 31, 2016.

» To reserve a space on the trip, a refundable deposit of $500 will be required. You may cancel your participation at any time up to December 31, 2015, and receive your deposit back. You may pay by credit card or check. Checks should be made payable to University of Hartford and mailed to Presidents’ College, Mortensen Library, University of Hartford, 200 Bloomfield Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06117.

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