

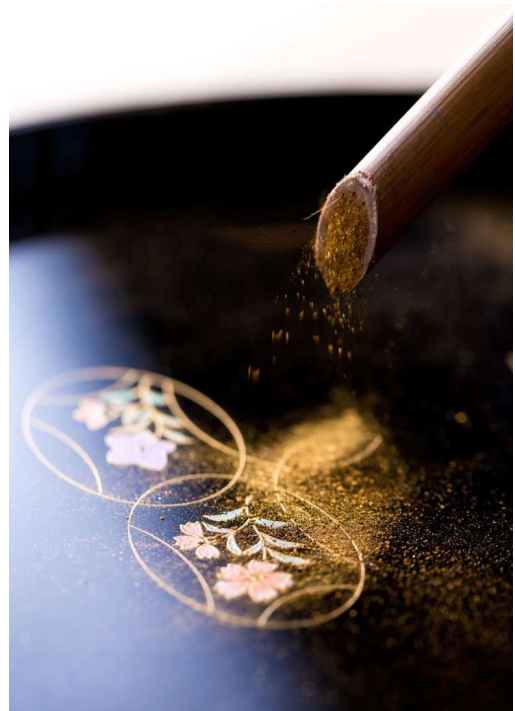
**Tirsdag den 17. marts kl. 19-21**  
Tokai University European Center  
Vedbæk Strandvej 476, 2950 Vedbæk

***Japanese Craftsmanship - the Spirit of Shokunin***  
Presentation by CHIAKI

Arrangør: Dansk-Japansk Selskab

Tilmelding: Påkrævet.  
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**Description**

An evening talk with Chiaki, a Japanese calligraphy designer based in Copenhagen, introduces the world of Japanese craftsmanship and the ideas behind Shokunin (artisan) and Takumi (mastery) from a creator's perspective. Being a shokunin is more than technical mastery — it is a way of life defined by dedication, discipline, and integrity. Shokunin spend decades perfecting a single craft, guided by respect for materials and tradition. The talk will highlight how Japanese crafts are connected to their environment, shaped by local materials, climate, and long-standing traditions. Using examples from ceramics, textiles, lacquerware, and woodworking, it will also include a comparison with European craftsmanship, exploring differences in cultural approaches to mastery, innovation, and the role of the artisan.

*The presentation will be in English and followed by a Q&A session.*



**About CHIAKI**

Copenhagen-based Japanese calligraphy artist and designer CHIAKI, has lived abroad for over half her life, giving her a fresh, outsider's perspective on her cultural heritage. Passionate about Japan's authentic crafts and contemporary innovations with the concept of "Old meets New," where tradition, creativity, and innovation converge. Through her work, she reveals the timeless artistry and inventive spirit of Japanese craftsmanship, sharing its beauty and value. Blending traditional calligraphy with modern styles, she creates, teaches, and performs at cultural institutions, art fairs, festivals, and in collaboration with international brands. In Denmark, she has been a guest lecturer at Copenhagen University and led a workshop at Design Museum Denmark, and numerous cultural venues.

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