

Rakugo (in English)

With *Diane Kichijitsu*



October 16th, 2015, 18:15 – 19:30

University of Bern, Unitobler, Lerchenweg 36, Lecture Room F -121

Diane Kichijitsu is a popular stage performer of Rakugo, a traditional Japanese comedy storytelling. A single performer dressed in a kimono, kneeling on stage, with only a fan and towel as props, tells a story. Through various gestures, voice inflections and facial expressions, the performer is able to portray multiple imaginary characters on stage. The only limitation is your own imagination.

Diane, originally from England, will give an explanation of what Rakugo is, followed by a Rakugo performance. She will also share her knowledge of Japanese culture, extensive travel experiences as a globe-trotting backpacker, keen observations of cultural differences and humorous anecdotes of her surprising encounters in Japan.

Rakugo, especially in English, is quite a rarity in Europe, so please take advantage of this opportunity.

After the performance, the Embassy of Japan in Switzerland will offer refreshments and snacks.

Admission is free.