



# からくり新聞

KARAKURI NEWS #44

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## Karakuri Party in Hakone (report #2)

It's been a long time since the news publication of #43. We'll report about the events of Karakuri Party in Hakone.

### ◆ The first day Flea Market

At this flea market, rare puzzles and limited edition Karakuri Boxes appear every year. The staff was also interested in the rare puzzles.



### ◆ The first day Exhibition-talking with craftsmen

Craftsmen and puzzle designers exhibited their works. The participants played and talked. Rare works were exhibited. Some works were old because the craftsmen made them when they were students. Rare trial products were also exhibited. Some works had a transparent board on the surface, so we could see the mechanism inside. Many works were possible to see only at this party.



◆ The first day Bar KYOKO

This is not an official event. This is a party to mingle with each other.  
Many participants drank and talked eagerly. This party was lively until the middle of the night.



16,500 Japanese yen was collected from the sales at this bar and additional individual contributions to help support the Fukushima Revival Project. Thank you very much.

Kyoko Hoshino

◆ The second day Workshop

After breakfast, a workshop was held. The material was "Toothpick trick with a dog".  
When we pulled the drawer, the dog caught a toothpick automatically.  
This work required a high level of skill to make it. It was difficult to fix the small spring.  
It was also difficult to make the fine adjustments to the dog's mouth.



◆ The second day Visiting the Hakone Garasunomori Museum

We took a chartered bus to the museum. A temporary exhibition of old Yosegi works was held then.  
It was "Kaneke Collection". We had lunch while listening to canzone.

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## Exhibition with new works in MATSUUYA GINZA

From April 30 to May 6, 2014

This time the theme was "Nostalgic". Each craftsman designed new work based on this theme. Many craftsmen felt that this theme was easy to design Karakuri Boxes. And we could hear positive comments from customers. Thank you very much for visiting our exhibition.



## Workshop for adults will be held

"Toothpick Trick with a dog". It was designed for the Karakuri Party in Hakone. Please participate. A short lecture will be held at the same time. The lecturer is Iwahara.

date: July 26 (Sat.) 13:30

place: 5th floor, Odawara LUSCA, u-me salon

price: JPY3,500-

Those interested in attending should contact Karakuri Club by email. Participants are limited.



## Karakuri Puzzle Idea Contest

This year is the 6th annual contest.

The judging is over, and the craftsmen have started to make your ideas.

We'll let you know when those ideas have been designed and completed.

## Private exhibition by Kakuda (plan)

date: from Sep. 2 (Tue) to Sep. 14 (Sun)

place: in Tokyo (<http://www.susu.co.jp/>)

Kakuda is making new works at this time.

The details will be announced later.