

part II

# travel diary

**A study of Japanese wooden architecture**

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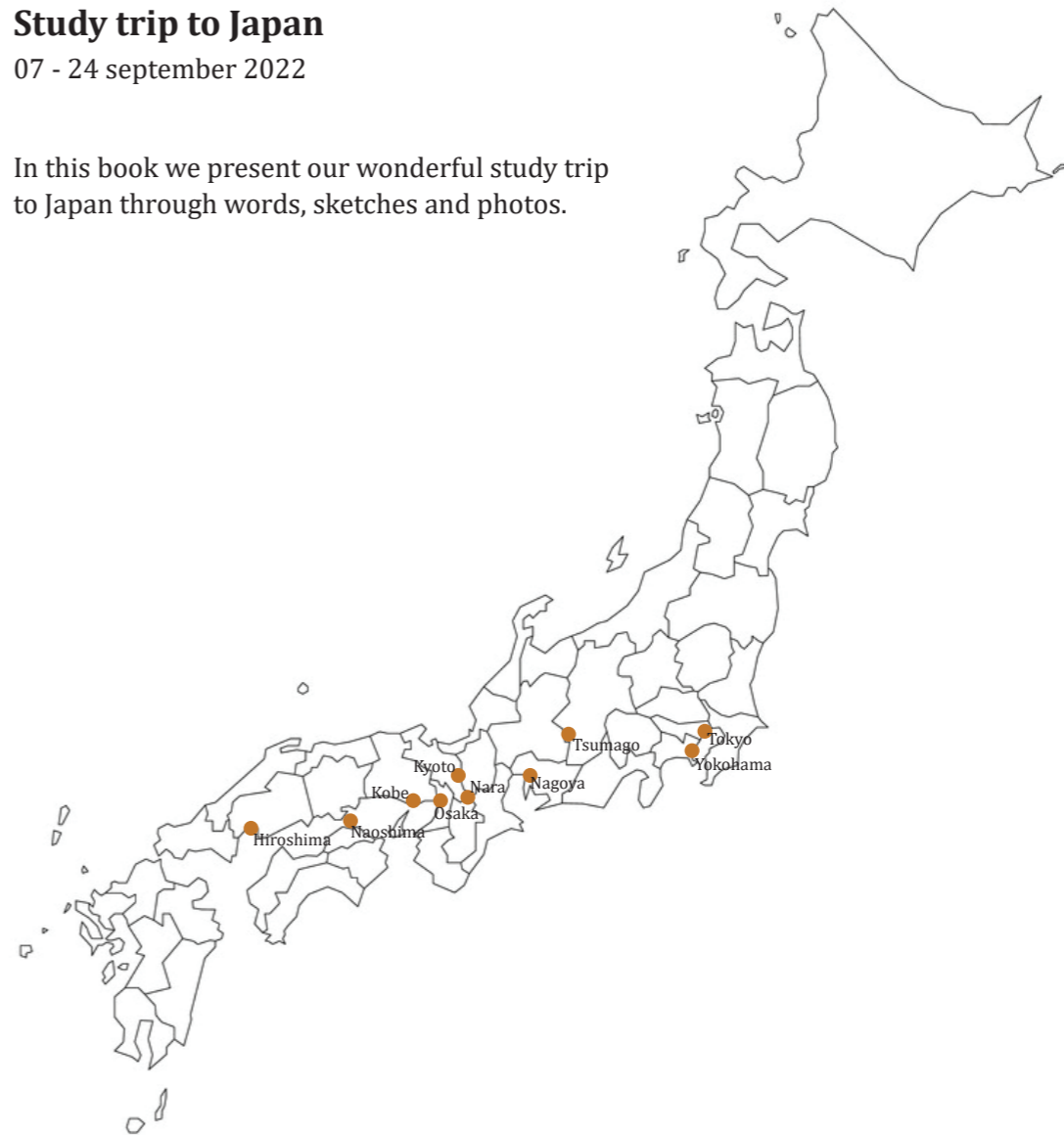
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## Study trip to Japan

07 - 24 september 2022

In this book we present our wonderful study trip to Japan through words, sketches and photos.



## WEDNESDAY 07/09 TOKYO

- Jenny arrived at Haneda airport in the afternoon the day before.
- Visited the Sumida Hokusai Museum.
- Visited the Senso-ji temple.
- Ate dinner in a tempura restaurant close to the hostel.

*Senso-ji temple.*



*Old shop in Tokyo.*



CHEERS **KANPAI** THANK YOU **ARIGATO GOZAIMASU** YES **HAI**...  
 .....トースト..... **ありがとう**..... **はい**...  
 GOOD MORNING **OHAYO** KONICHIWA **HELLO** BYE **SAYONARA**..  
**おはよう**..... **こんにちは**..... **さよなら**.....  
 CAN I PAY? **SHIHARAEMASU KA?** PERFECT **KANZEN**  
 ..... **支払えますか?**..... **完全**...  
 NO **iiE** BE EXCUSE ME **SUMIMASEN** GOOD EVENING.....  
**KONBANWA** MENU PLEASE **MENU O KUDASAI** (BEFORE..  
 EATING A MEAL) **ITADAKIMASU** (... AND AFTER MEAL)...  
**GOCHISOSAMA DESHITA** CHECK PLEASE **O-KAIKEI**  
**O ONEGAISHIMASU** OKAY **WAKATTA**.....

**THURSDAY 08/09 TOKYO**

- Sigrid arrived at Haneda airport early in the morning.
- Visited FT architects' office in the western part of Tokyo, having an hour long talk with them.
- Went to Yoyogi-Uehara district, including the Shibuya crossing.



Left: FT Architects. Right: Residence in Tokyo.



Left: Tile work from the University of Tokyo. Right: Yoyogi-Uehara district.

## FRIDAY 09/09 TOKYO

- Met with prof. Fujita, Fumiho & Ayako
- Had lunch together, saw the University of Tokyo campus site and atelier. Visited the Asakura Museum of Sculpture.
- Walk through Ueno park and visited the National Museum of Western Arts by Le Corbusier (outside).
- Dinner at Kamachiku restaurant by Kengo Kuma.



National Museum of Western Art.



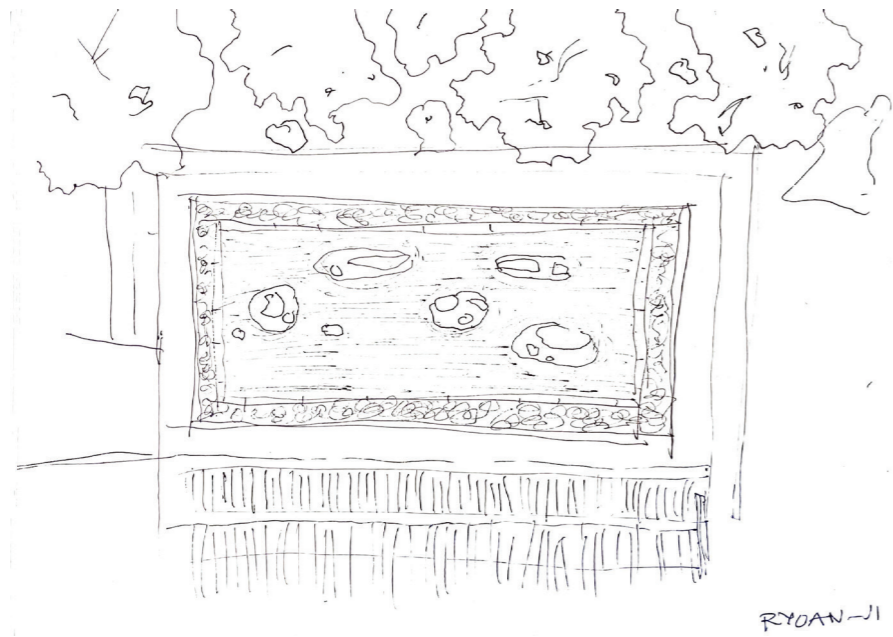
*Left: Moss garden in Edo Open Air Museum. Right: Farmhouse in Edo Open Air Museum.*

## SATURDAY 10/09 TOKYO - KYOTO

- Edo Open Air Architectural Museum.
- First meeting with Shinkansen: travel to Kyoto.



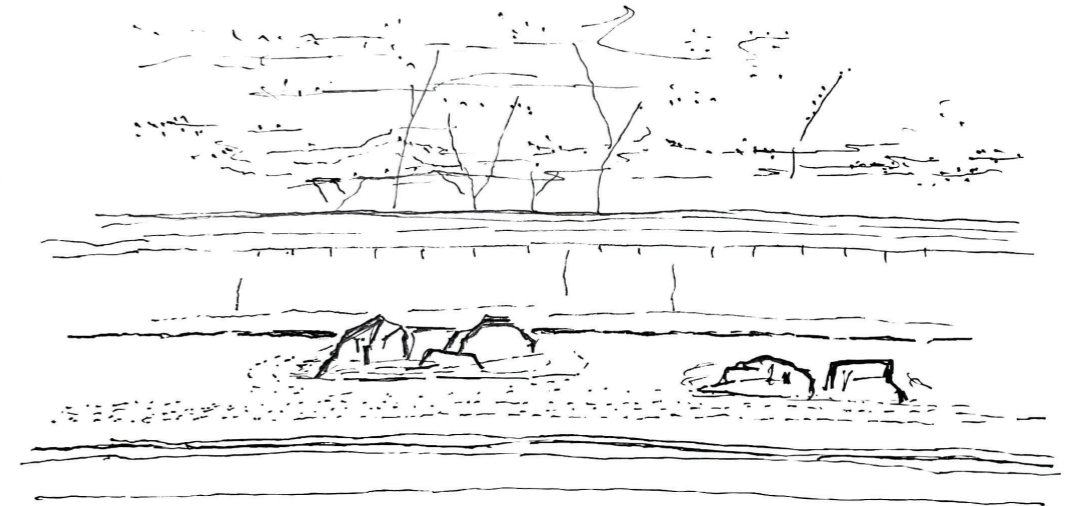
*Building by Kunio Maekawa.*



RYOAN-JI

## SUNDAY 11/09 KYOTO

- Ryōan-ji temple, rock garden.
- Authentic Japanese sushi dinner experience at old, local sushi restaurant.



The rock garden, Kyoto  
RYOANJI TEMPLE. 11.09.



Ryoan-ji temple in Kyoto.

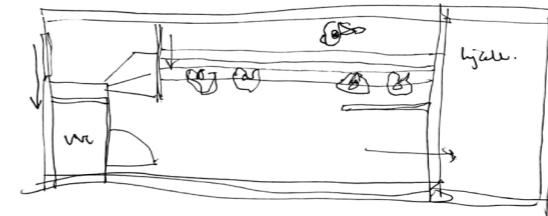


**MONDAY 12/09 KYOTO (DAY OFF)**

- Pottery District: pottery and vintage shopping.
- Walked around in old town Kyoto.



U'5 J11 SUSHI RESTAURANT



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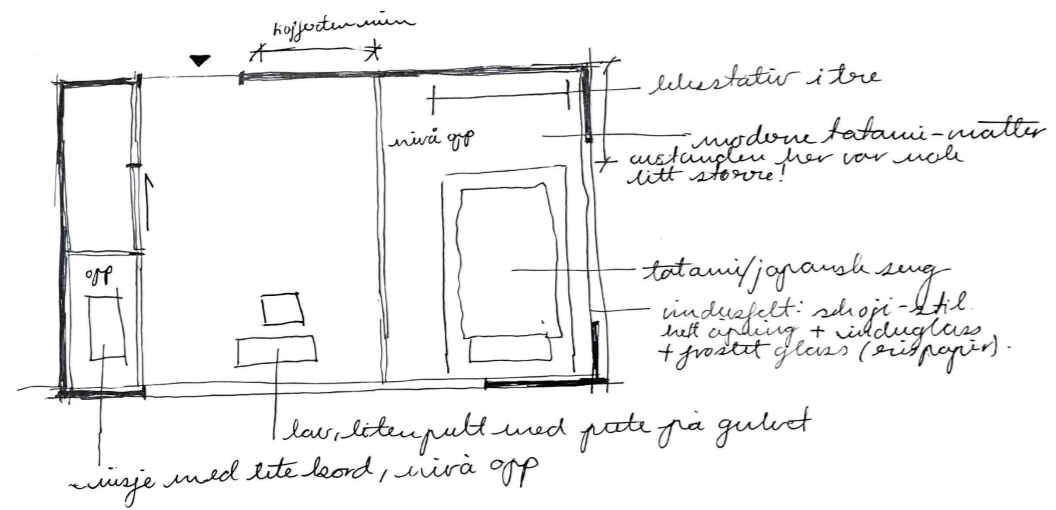
KYOTO ER EN FANTASTISK BY.

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- ☑ omringet av fjell
- ☑ vennlige folk
- ☑ oversiktlig
- ☑ fantastisk skala og typologi
- ☑ keramikk
- ☑ fint elveleip med nydelig bris
- ☑ nydelig mat

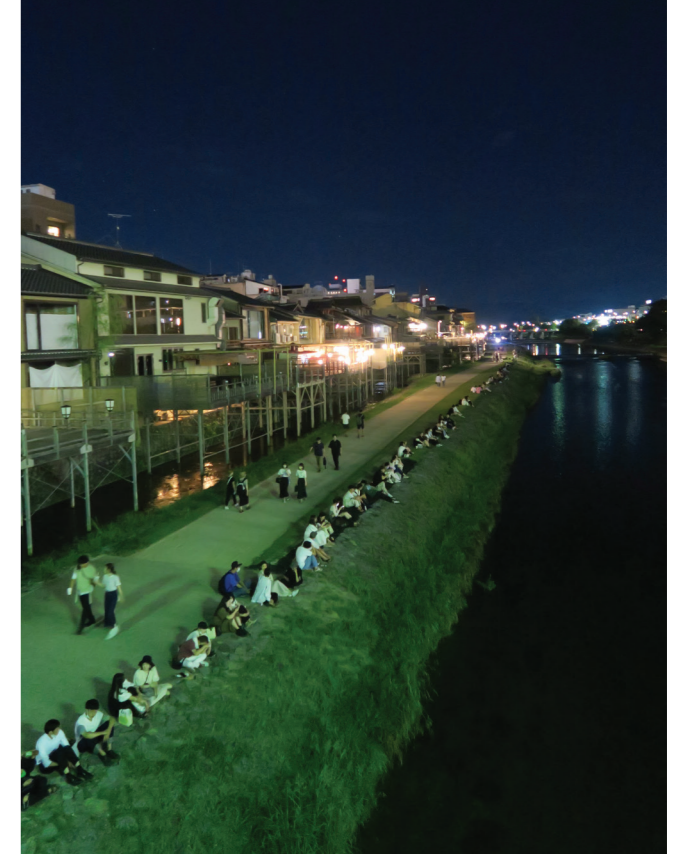






lav, liten pult med pottor på golvet  
 nisje med lite bord, nivå öpp

rummet ritat på Kobalos Guest House,  
 14.09.22



By the Kamo River in Kyoto in the evening.

## TUESDAY 13/09 KYOTO

- Kawasaki Pottery Shop: interviews, photographed and measured.
- Heian Shrine and the Japanese garden.
- Sketched and relaxed by Kyoto river with the locals.



Garden in the Heian Shrine.



Left: Todai-ji gate. Right: Horyu-ji temple.

## WEDNESDAY 14/09 NARA

- Horyu-ji temple: oldest surviving wooden structure in the world.
- Todai-ji temple and Nara Park.



Horyu-ji Temple.

## THURSDAY 15/09 KYOTO

- Guided tour at Katsura Imperial Villa.
- Lunch at Restaurant Sanmikouan by small river in old town Kyoto.
- Travel to the island Naoshima with shinkansen, local train, bus and boat.



*Katsura Imperial Villa.*



*Katsura Imperial Villa.*



*The beach!*

## FRIDAY 16/09 NAOSHIMA (DAY OFF)

- Went to the beach.
- Rode our bikes around the island.



*Fisher village in Naoshima Island.*

## SATURDAY 17/09 NAOSHIMA

- Naoshima Hall by Haroshi Sambuichi.
- Chichu Art Museum by Tadao Ando.
- “The Naoshima Plan”: an exhibition in old Japanese house, part of the Setouchi Triennale 2022.



*Naoshima Hall.*



*Chichu Art Museum.*



*Exhibited tools in Takenaka Carpentry Tools Museum.*



*Gooseneck wooden joint in Takenaka Carpentry Museum.*

## SUNDAY 18/09 KOBE

- Takenaka Carpentry Tools Museum.
- Ropeway to Kobe Nunobiki Herb Gardens, with great view over the cityscape, also seeing the Japanese forest close up.



*View from the Ropeway in Kobe.*

## MONDAY 19/09 OSAKA (TYPHOON DAY)

- Inside our hotel room all day, worked on our computers.
- Admired our own pottery bought in Kyoto.





Left: The Peace Memorial Museum Main building. Right: The A-bomb Dome.

## TUESDAY 20/09 HIROSHIMA

- Hiroshima Peace Memorial park.
- The A-bomb Dome.
- The Peace Memorial Museum Main building by Kenzo Tange (outside).
- Explored the city.



Hiroshima.





Left: Tsumago Village. Right: Window view at Tsumago Okuya Museum.

**WEDNESDAY 21/09 MAGOME + TSUMAGO**

- Walked through Magome Village.
- Bus to Tsumago village.
- Tsumago Okuya Museum.
- Authentic Tempura six course dinner experience at Restaurant Haginoya in Magome.
- Nakatsugawa Onsen near Magome.



Tsumago Okuya Museum.



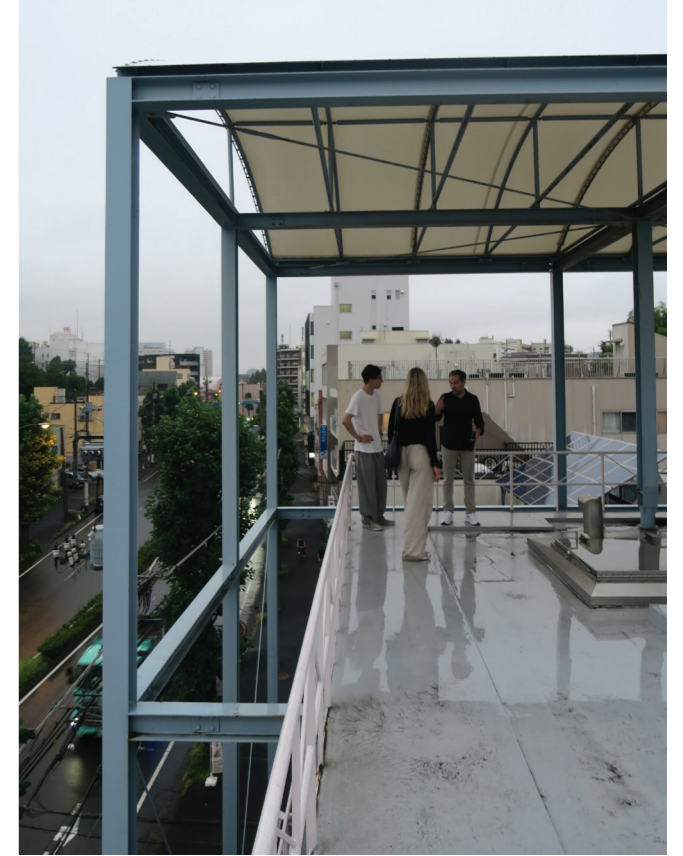
Left: Tea time at Uno-san's. Right: Yomogiday House.

## THURSDAY 22/09 NAGOYA

- Visited Tomoaki Uno's office. He drove us around all day and showed us several of his projects:
- Newly built concrete/ dry stacked stone wall house.
- Tokugawa-cho guesthouse.
- Yomogiday House.
- His own House, where we were served tea and Japanese cakes. Visited three houses in the neighborhood.



Uno-san showing his house.



*Left: Yokohama. Right: Riken Yamamoto's house.*

## FRIDAY 23/09 YOKOHAMA

- Walk through Yokohama downtown, harbor area and downtown with prof. Luca Deon fra Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Art.
- Visited Riken Yamamoto's own house: Rotunda Building (Yokohama, 1981) and his office.



*Riken Yamamoto's office.*

## FRIDAY 24/09 TOKYO

- Sigrid went back to Norway.
- Jenny spent the day in Tokyo and traveled home the day after.



*Downtown Tokyo seen from The East Gardens of the Imperial Palace.*

