

# RAKUGO

Japanese traditional comic storytelling  
by Katsura Utazo

## Traditional Rakugo in Japanese

Date & Time:

16 (Sat) October, 2010, 17:00~

Venue:

The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur  
18th Floor, Northpoint, Block B, Mid-Valley City  
No.1, Medan Syed Putra, 59200 Kuala Lumpur

## Rakugo in English

Date & Time:

17 (Sun) October, 2010, 15:00~

Venue:

Mini Auditorium  
Malaysia Tourism Centre, Kuala Lumpur (MaTic)  
109, Jalan Ampang, 50450 Kuala Lumpur

Admission: Free

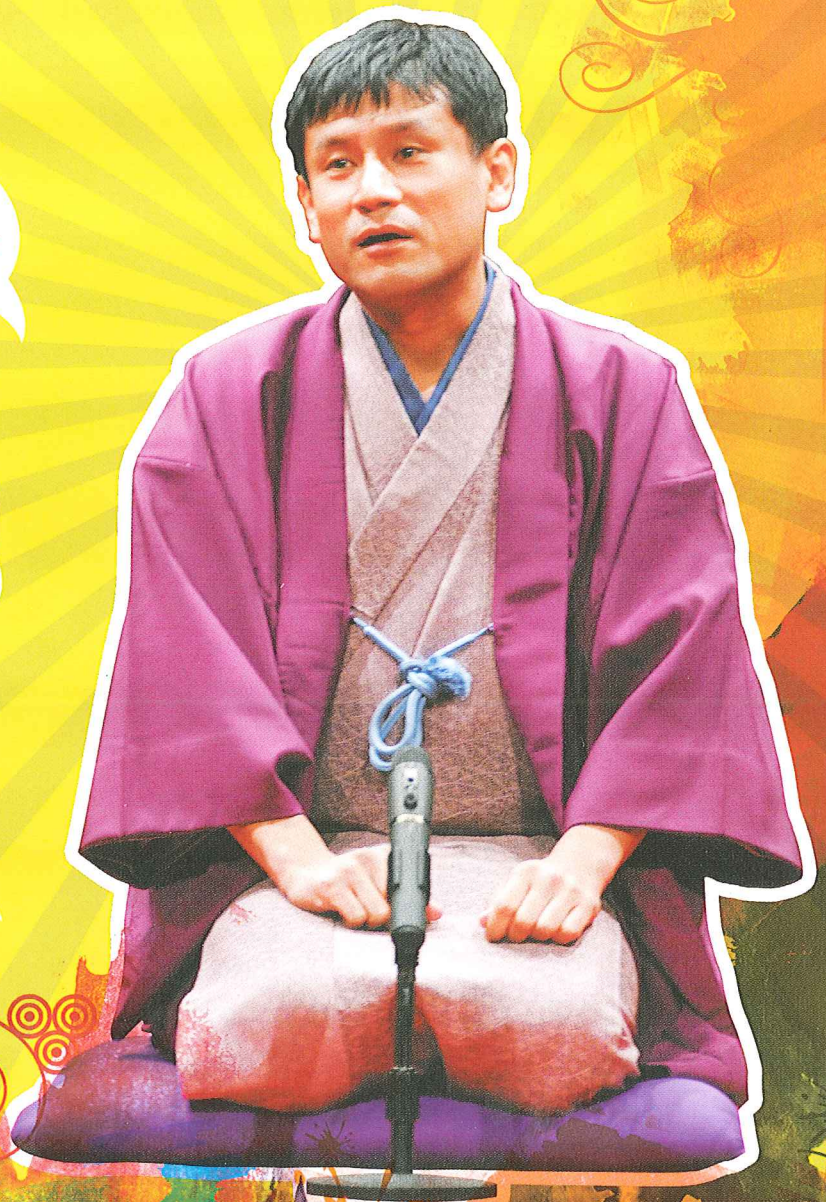
Reservation Details:

Period: 4 (Mon) – 14 (Thu) October 2010  
(except Sat & Sun)

Time: 10:00~16:30

Tel: 03-2284 6228

\* Seats are limited, reservations will be made on  
a first-come, first-served basis.



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Embassy of Japan in Malaysia

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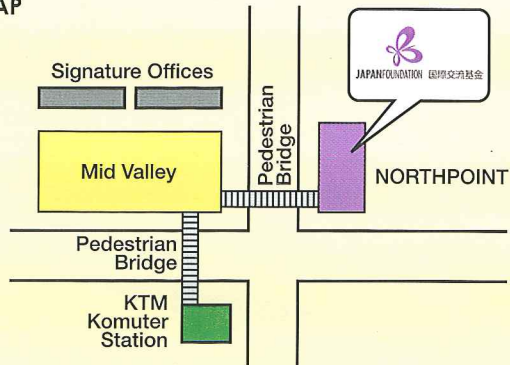
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The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur will organize Rakugo, performed by a comedic storyteller, Katsura Utazo. This event will be co-organized by the Embassy of Japan in Malaysia.

RAKUGO, Topper Story in literal meaning, is the Japanese traditional comedy monodrama. Having its origin in 16th century and established during Edo era (17-18th century), Rakugo has been verbally passed down through one generation to another, from masters to apprentices as a professional art form. Performers sit on a small mattress in front of the audience and act out stories with a comic style and structure. In RAKUGO, the performer can be a narrator, but usually performs the actual characters in the story. These characters converse without a narrator coming between them. The challenge for the performer is switching from one distinct character to another. Each character represents exaggerated aspects of the human personality, which we can all readily related to. The predicaments, which they find themselves in, are part of everyday life.

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### VENUE MAP

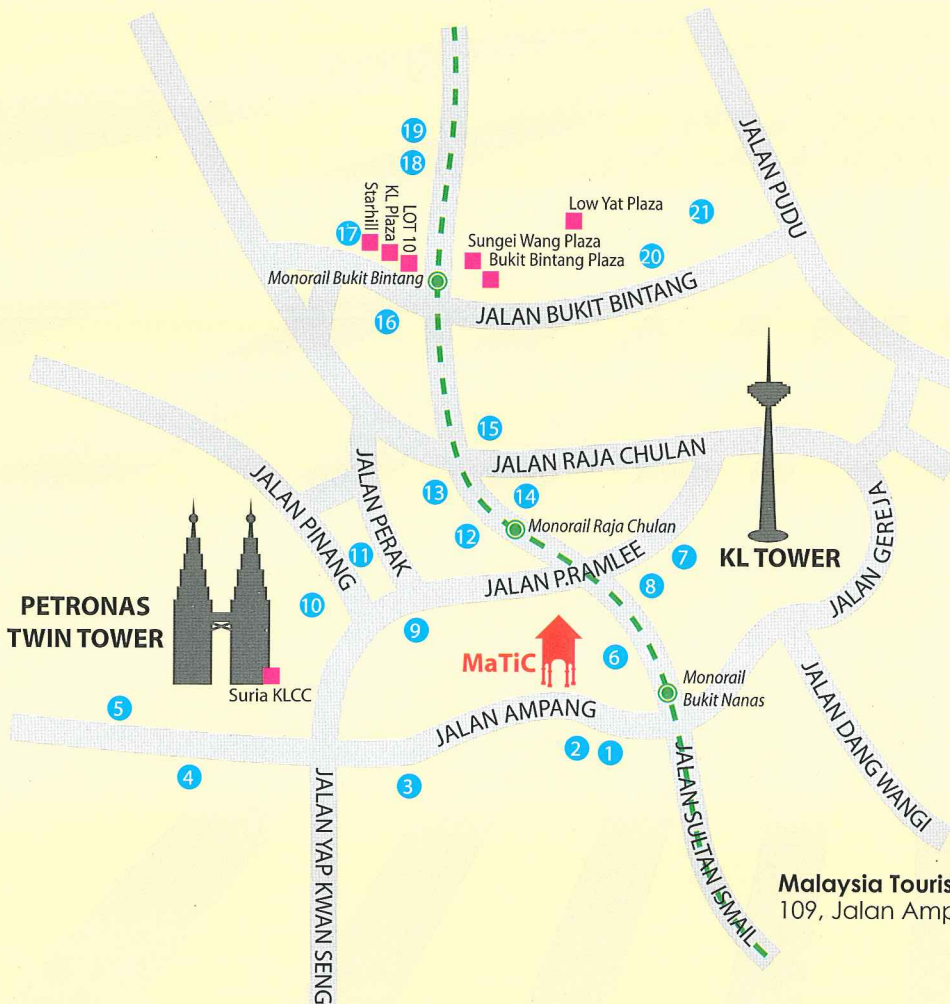


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### VENUE MAP



- SHOPPING COMPLEX
- KL MONORAIL
- HOTELS

1. Renaissance Hotel
2. New World Hotel
3. Hotel Maya Kuala Lumpur
4. Corus Hotel KL
5. Nikko Hotel
6. Concorde KL
7. Pacific Regency Hotel Apartments
8. Shangri-La KL
9. Crown Regency Serviced Suites
10. Mandarin Oriental
11. The Ascott
12. Hotel Equatorial KL
13. Crowne Plaza Mutiara Kuala Lumpur
14. The Lodge Hotel
15. Hotel Istana
16. The Regent KL
17. JW Marriott
18. The Coronade
19. Grand Plaza Parkroyal
20. Federal KL

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