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**Japanese Kōgei Exhibition and Opening Event**  
**Metalwork, Ceramics, Glass & Lacquerware**

**WASHINGTON, D.C., (March 2, 2016)** – Join the Japan Information and Culture Center (JICC), Embassy of Japan, D.C., in cooperation with the Onishi Gallery in New York, for their spring exhibition of Japanese kōgei (artisan crafts) – metalwork, ceramics, glass & lacquerware – including over 30 works by artists certified as Living National Treasures and other masters.

To open this exhibition of unique and meticulous craftsmanship, master ceramicist 11th Chozaemon Ohi will present a lecture on Japanese art and traditional Japanese tea ceremony the evening of April 5, 2016.

Registration is free and required to attend the opening event. No registration is required to visit the exhibition during regular hours. To register for this event, sign up for the JICC mailing list at <http://www.us.emb-japan.go.jp/jicc/>. ***For press, please contact the JICC Publicity Coordinator by 5PM on March 30, 2016 to register. Space is limited.***

**WHO** This exhibition and opening event are hosted by the JICC, in collaboration with the Onishi Gallery in New York and with special thanks to All Nippon Airways (ANA).

Special lecturer and master ceramicist 11th Chozaemon Ohi was born in Kanazawa, Japan, and graduated with a Master of Fine Arts from Boston University in 1984. He has won prestigious awards from the Japanese government, to include most recently the Prime Minister of Japan Prize at the 54th Japan Contemporary Craft Exhibition in 2015, and has displayed his collections throughout Japan, the U.S., South America, Europe, and Asia.

**WHEN** Tuesday, April 5, 2016, 6:30 – 8:30PM – Opening Event  
Tuesday, April 5, 2016 thru Friday, May 6, 2016, Mon – Fri, 9AM – 5PM – Kōgei Exhibition

**WHERE** JICC, 18th St NW, Suite 100, Washington, D.C. 20036

**PICTURE**

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**ABOUT THE JICC**

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