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Japan Hobby Show Tour

May 5 – 12, 2010

Price: \$2400
(based on double occupancy)

\$2650
(based on single occupancy)

Tour Price Includes:

- **Roundtrip Airfare from Honolulu to Japan**
- **Daily Breakfast and one dinner**
- **Ground transportation except for taxi's**
- **Hotel Accommodations**
- **Admission to sites as indicated by itinerary**
- **Escort from Hawaii**

* - Tour price based on 88 yen to the dollar and 25 passengers

May 5, 2010 (Wed)

HONOLULU / TOKYO

Our tour leaves Honolulu in the morning to Tokyo.

May 6, 2010 (Thur)

TOKYO

Due to the international date line, we will arrive in Tokyo on the following day and after clearing customs we will check into the Shiba Park Hotel. The remainder of the day is free to rest and relax.

May 7, 2010 (Fri)

JAPAN HOBBY SHOW

We will depart the hotel at 8:30 am for the **34th Annual Japan Hobby Show**, the largest hobby craft show in Japan. The show hosts a wide range of domestic and Hobby Industry Association member craft suppliers exhibiting a variety of products. Nearly 800 exhibitors are expected from all parts of Japan as well as the U.S. You will be able to find “oshibana”, quilts, paint crafts, “Ribbon Art Crafts”, and many more. In addition, various workshops and demonstrations on these crafts will be held, in which you may participate if you desire. Last year over 100,000 people attended, but because we are going on the first day, this is the least crowded day of the show. The group will not return to the show, but the ticket is valid for the entirety of the show and you may return at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

May 8, 2010 (Sat)

Funabashi/Kamata

After spending the day at the show, we have a good idea of the wide variety of crafts that can be found in Japan. Our first stop will be at Funabashi to visit Tokyo's largest 100 yen store. This seven story store has over 60,000 square feet of retail space. From there we will head to **Kamata City**, which has specialty handcraft stores. There is Yuzawaya, a crafter's dream store, and many 100 yen stores. Everything from beads and cords to fabric can be found in this area.

Meals: Breakfast

May 9, 2010 (Sun)

Shinagawa /Sugamo/Asakusabashi

This morning we will visit an indoor morning flea market in **Shinagawa**. This indoor market is three floors and has a wide variety of items including second hand kimono. From there we head to **Sugamo City**, known as the old people's Harajuku. We will be able to find great deals on clothes, towels, purses, and more. For our last stop we will head to **Asakusabashi**, a whole sale area where we can shop for sumie paint, Heiko brand products, beads, paper goods, stationary, wrapping paper and more.

Meals: Breakfast

May 10, 2010 (Mon)

Asakusa/Kappabashi/Ameyoko

We head to one of Japan's most popular tourist areas, **Asakusa**. What draws us there is **Nakamise Dori**, a shopping area that holds small knick knacks that are used in handcrafts. From there we will walk to **Kappabashi Dogugai** an area that wholesales kitchen supplies, everything from plastic food to the kitchen sink. From there we head to **Ameyoko cho**, a wholesale area where we can find all kinds of snacks, from cookies to candies to konbu and other Japanese food specialties.

Meals: Breakfast

May 11, 2010 (Tues)

Free Day

Our last day in Tokyo is free for you to go back to those shops that you may have missed earlier in the trip or to pick up a little extra, in case you did not get enough the first time through. If you require any assistance, your escort will be available to assist you.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

May 12, 2010 (Wed)

Tokyo / Honolulu

Our flight departs in the early evening, so in the morning we will visit **Tsukiji Morning Market** for seafood omiyage, such as scallops or tsukudani. From there we head to the **Yatsu Rose Garden** to see 700 varieties of roses from all over the world for a moment of relaxation. Our last stop before we head to the airport is a visit to a local shopping center where you can stretch your legs and have a late lunch on your own.

Meals: Breakfast

Special Note:

This tour will change or add locations depending on the needs and desires of the group. If enough members wish to visit a particular destination or are seeking similar items, please notify the escort so it can be taken into account. Possible areas to visit aside from those already listed in the itinerary are Akihabara, Tokyo's Electric Town, and Nippori, a fabric wholesaler. Also please notify the escort of any items that you are seeking in particular, so that it can be pointed out when the group is in the area where it might be found.