Connecting Japan and Switzerland: Visitors, Objects and Collections



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While Switzerland and Japan are celebrating 160 years of diplomatic relations, the connection between the two countries reaches far beyond diplomacy: merchants, tourists, adventurers, and others connected the two countries - and continue to do so - leading to a deep set of relations on personal, institutional, and governmental levels. This talk will look at some of the earlier connections between the two countries and will focus on the objects that were brought to Switzerland in the process.

Please note that **due to limited seats a registration prior to the lecture is required.** If you would like to attend the lecture, please contact the Japan Information and Cultural Center by email or phone and tell us the names of all participants: <u>jicc@br.mofa.go.jp</u> or +41 (0) 31 305 15 70 The lecture is free of admission.

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