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## **Community Week 2013: Material Equilibrium**

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### **Description**

The Dhillon Marty Foundation hosted 45 participants from 16 countries representing 10 universities for a week of work in culture, art and design to engage issues of social and environmental sustainability in Japan. The Dhillon Marty Community Week 2013: Material Equilibrium is the first in an annual series of events to use art and design to connect the global community with local issues.

The week centered on four events:

- A privileged visit to the Ise Jingu Shrines during this important 62nd rebuilding year,
- A visit to the epicenter of the 3/11 earthquake with a collaborative design workshop for a historic school and community center, and
- A two-day design competition at the Kengo Kuma Lab in the School of Architecture at the University of Tokyo for the design of mobile pavilions to house visiting artists and scholars at the Dhillon Marty Foundation in Japan with an awards ceremony at Endo Lighting Corporation (see separate press release for the design competition), and
- A summary symposium on the community week topics, with symposium proceedings published in advance. The proceedings are available on the Dhillon Marty Foundation website.

The foundation also hosted cultural events for the international visitors including a tea ceremony, an ikebana workshop, and a Noh theater workshop.



Image 001: Dhillon Marty Community Week: 2013 participants at the Ise Jingu Shrine, October 24th, 2013.

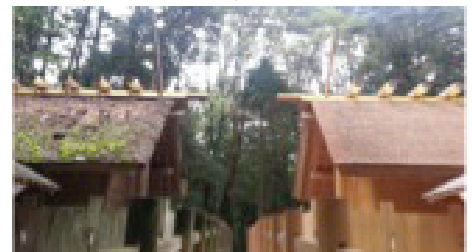


Image 002: Old and new construction at the Geku shrine.



Image 003: Community design workshop at the Ogatsu Community School in Tohoku.

## Participants

Japan: Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Yoshimasa Hayashi, Master Shimizu Kanji, Tessen-kai Noh Theater, Professor Kengo Kuma, the University of Tokyo, Associate Professor Yusuke Obuchi, the University of Tokyo, Associate Professor Jun Sato, the University of Tokyo, Assistant Professor Ko Nakamura, the University of Tokyo, Vice President Miwako Hosoda, Seisa University, Architect Takato Tamagami Nihon University, Yutaka Shikata, Chief Editor Shin Kenchiku, Noriko Ando, Baobab

USA: Lecturer Beverly Choe, Stanford University, Assistant Professor Erin Moore, University of Oregon, Head Curator of Asian Art Anne Rose Kitagawa, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, University of Oregon, Associate Professor Beth Weinstein, University of Arizona, Head of Landscape Architecture Scheri Fultineer, Rhode Island School of Design.

Greece: Professor Vassilis Ganiatsas, National Technical University of Athens.

Students from all of the Universities listed above, from the Architectural Association School of Architecture, UK and from the Piets Zwart Institute, Rotterdam, Netherlands also participated.

(Print resolution photography available upon request.)



Image 004: Community design workshop at the Ogatsu Community School in Tohoku.



Image 005: Sarina da Costa, Architectural Association and Erin Moore, University of Oregon work on the design competition at the University of Tokyo.



Image 006: Students and faculty work in the studios at the University of Tokyo during a maintenance power outage.



Image 007: Students and faculty work in the studios at the University of Tokyo on the mobile pavilions design competition.



Image 008: Master Shimizu Kanji, Tessen-kai Noh Theater helps a student try on treasured costumes.



Image 009: Workshop at the Tessen-kai Noh Theater.

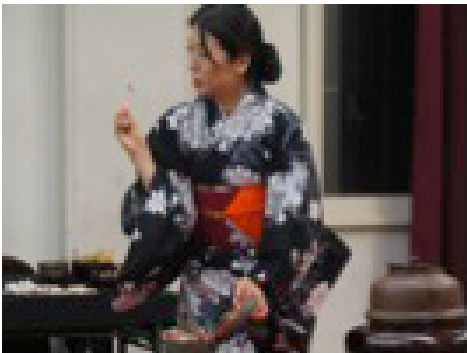


Image 010: Vice President Miwako Hosoda, Seisa University, explains tea ceremony traditions.

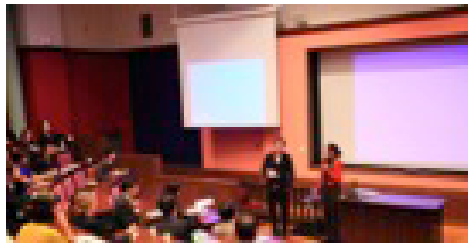


Image 011: Sonia Dhillon-Marty introduces architect Kengo Kuma at the Community Week 2013 symposium at the University of Tokyo.



Image 012: Landscape architect Scheri Fultineer, Curator Anne Rose Kitagawa, Dhillon Marty Foundation President Sonia Dhillon-Marty and Yutaka Shikata Chief Editor Shin Kenchiku participate in an interdisciplinary panel on community.



Image 013: University of Tokyo Vice President Yoshimi Shunya (also manager of the Office for Educational Planning, Director of the Center for Researcher and Development of Higher Education, and professor in the Graduate School of Interdisciplinary Information Studies) helps to open the symposium.

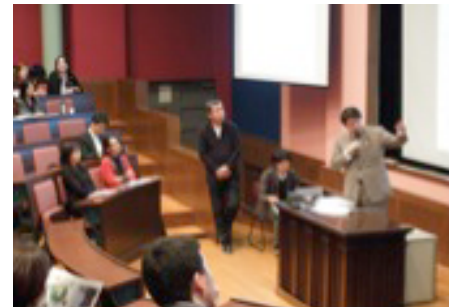


Image 014: Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Yoshimasa Hayashi speaks about natural resource use at the Dhillon Marty Community Week 2013: Material Equilibrium symposium.



Image 015: Dhillon Marty Community Week 2013: Material Equilibrium symposium at the University of Tokyo, October 29th, 2013.



Image 016: Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Yoshimasa Hayashi speaks about the benefits of wood use to foster healthy forests at the Dhillon Marty Community Week 2013: Material Equilibrium symposium.