



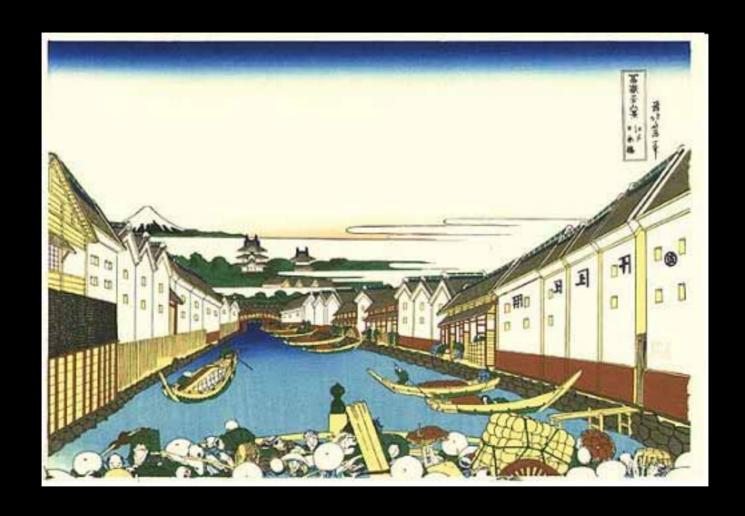
Tokugawa Ieyasu, 1543 – June 1, 1616



Edo castle 1457, 1593-1636



Map of Edo, 1844-1848 Perry-Castañeda Map Coll. UT Library Online



Katsushika Hokusai, ca. 1760-1849 Nihonbashi Bridge From the Thirty-six View of Fuji series



Utagawa Hiroshige Okazaki—Yahagi Bridge, ca. 1833 From the Fifty-three Stations of the Tokaido Road Bequest of Richard P. Gale 74.1.265

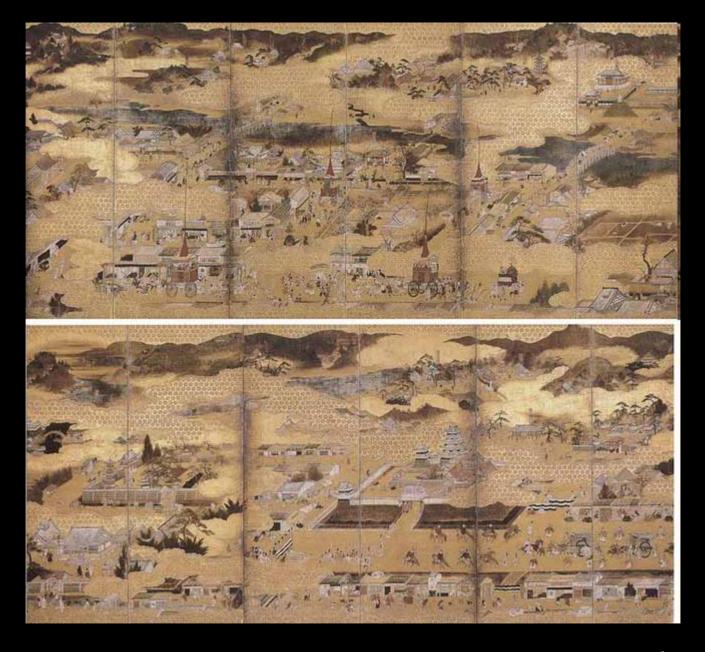


Examples of fumi-e





View of Nagasaki Harbor and Dejima



Rakuchu rakugai screens, Honolulu Academy of Art, early 17th c.



Amusements along the Riverside at Shijo, 1620s Pair of two-panel screens Seikado Foundation, Tokyo

Five things to remember about the Edo Period (1615-1868)

- Era of unprecedented peace and prosperity
- Massive growth of cities
- Strategically repressive government
 - System of sankin kotai
 - Policy of isolationism
 - Strictly stratified society; four tier system
- Rise of merchant class (chonin)
- Disenfranchizement + wealth = hedonism



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Interior View of a brothel, early 17th century Hikone Castle Museum, Shiga



Kaigetsudo Anchi Standing courtesan, ca. 1715 MIA 74.1.30

Unknown artist Standing beauty, ca. 1650 MIA 74.1.8



Hishikawa Moronobu Spying over the brushwood fence

From the book Bijin ezukushi (Beautiful women)

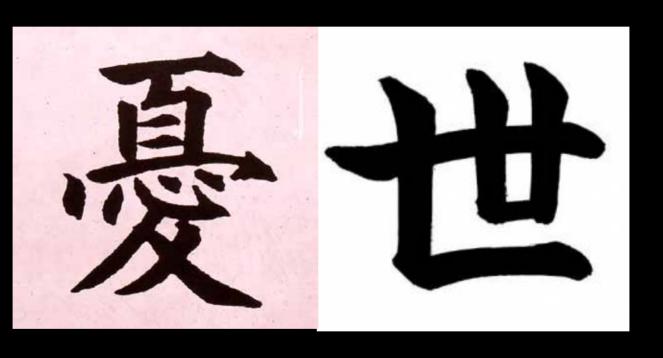




Hishikawa Moronobu Procession of a Daimyō, c.1680 from the illustrated book (kanazōshi) in 3 vols Chiyo no tomotsuru, sumizuri-e



Hishikawa Moronobu, 1618?-94 Young lovers, ea. 1680s Print from a set of twelve









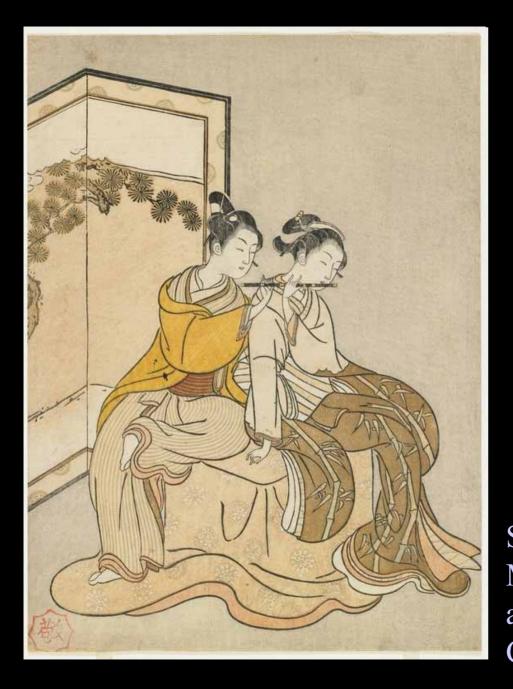
Okumura Masanobu, 1686-1764 Wakoku From the Picture Book of Courtesans, 1701



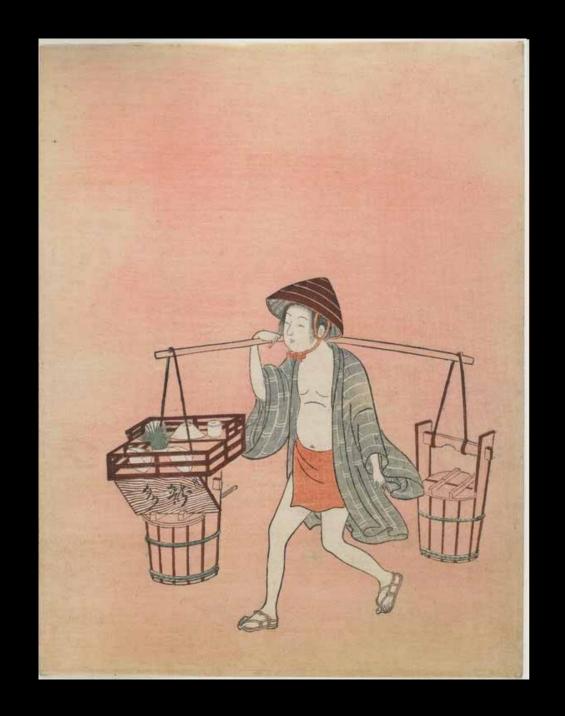
Okumura Masanobu, 1686-1764 New Year's Gathering in a Brothel From the series "A Sampling of Bedrooms from the Color-Dyed Mountains" 1741-44

Five facts about nishiki-e

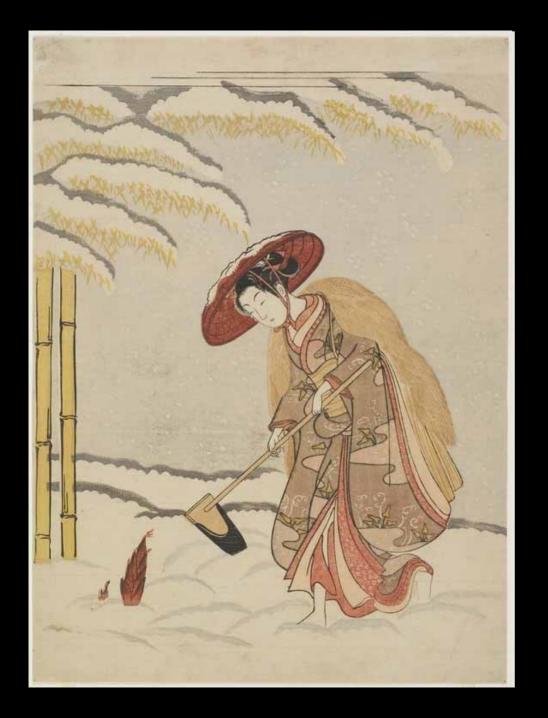
- Production the result of collaboration, allowing for specialization
- Development of kento (key or registration marks) in the mid-18th century key to color printing
- Colorants are organic and inorganic; many are light-sensitive



Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Mitate of Emperor Xuanzong and Yang Guifei, 1765 Color woodblock print (nishiki-e)



Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Water Vendor, after 1765 Nishiki-e



Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Mitate of Meng Zong, ca. 1766 Nishiki-e



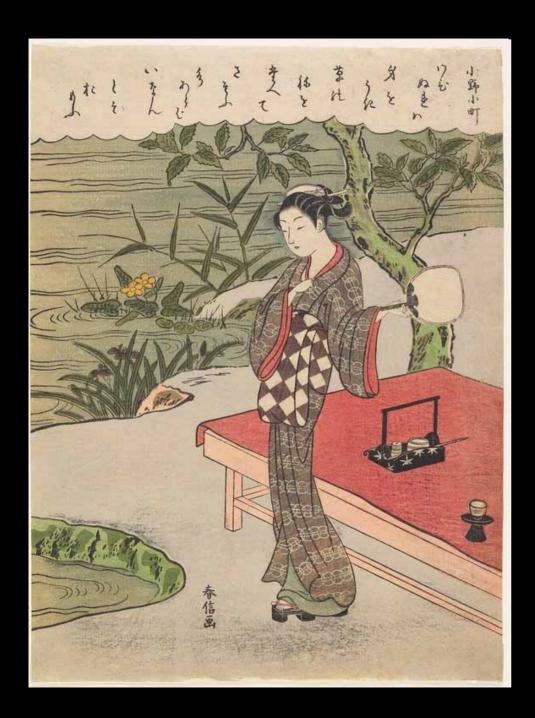
Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Courtesan on parade, ca. 1766 Color woodblock print (nishiki-e)



Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Plying a rooster with sake, ca. 1767 Color woodblock print (nishiki-e)



Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Autumn moon of Matsukaze, ca. 1767 Color woodblock print (nishiki-e)



When lonely
I'm like a reed
Cut down at the root.
Should any current invite
I would go along.

Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Ono no Komachi, ca. 1767 Nishiki-e





Suzuki Harunobu, 1724/25-70 Mitate of Ibaraki, ca. 1767 Color woodblock print (nishiki-e)



Torii Kiyonaga, 1752-1815 Ferryboat on the Rokugo River, 1784



Torii Kiyonaga, 1752-1815 Cooling off in the Evening at the Shijo Riverbank, 1784



Kubo Shunman, 1757-1820 Six Jewel Rivers, ca. 1787



Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Fickle Type From the series "Ten Types in the Physiognomic Study of Women" 1792-93



Blossoming moonflowers arranged on a flower-fan and Hanaogi's face after moonrise are so adorable that people never tire of seeing them and forget that autumn is coming.

Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Courtesan Hanaogi, 1793/94

Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Naniwaya teahouse waitress Okita, 1793



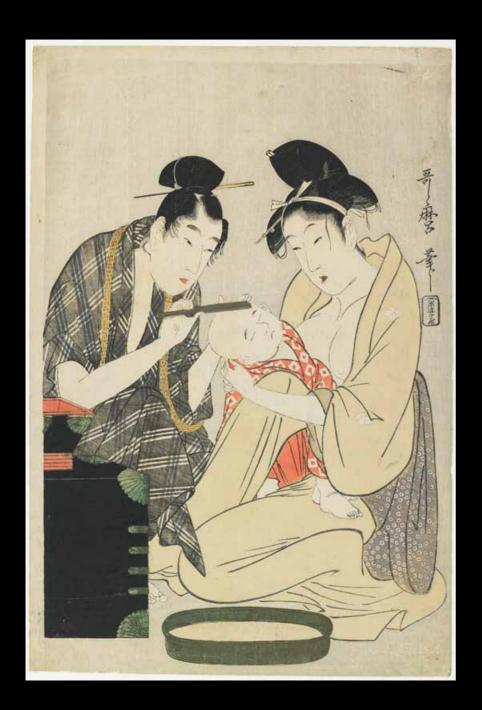
Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Tomimoto Toyohina, 1795-96



Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Kitchen Scene, 1794-95



Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Abolone Divers, 1793/94



Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 Shaving a Boy's Head, ca. 1801



Kitagawa Utamaro, 1753/54-1806 The Farmer's Wife, 1795-96

Five things to remember about the women of the Floating World

- Prostitution a fact of life in the Edo period
- The most famous pleasure quarter was the Yoshiwara (1617/1657) in Edo, but the Shimabara (Kyoto, 1640) and Shinmachi (Osaka, 1631) were also renowned.
- Highest ranking women commanded great sums, had to be courted, and could exercise greater autonomy
- The best were schooled in the polite arts of poetry, song, music, dancing, tea ceremony, calligraphy
- Because of debt owed to their houses, it was nearly impossible to "buy-out" their contracts; a lucky few were "ransomed" by their patrons



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Torii Kiyonobu, 1664-1729 Four actors in a Kabuki play, ca. 1719 Urushi-e with ahnd coloring and metal flakes



Okumura Toshinobu, act. 1718-49 Sanjo Kantaro II as Yaoya Oshichi, 1718 Urushi-e with handcoloring



Torii Kiyotada, act. 1713-1748 Ichimura Takenojo IV as Kichisaburo 1718

Urushi-e with handcoloring

Katsukawa Shunsho, 1726-92 Otani Hiroemon III as Asahara Jiro 1778





Katsukawa Shunsho, 1726-92 Ichikawa Danjuro V as the Monk Wantetsu 1778

Katsukawa Shun'ei, 1762-1819 Ichikawa Danjuro V as Tenjiku Tokubei? 1778



Torii Kiyonaga, 1752-1815 Scene from Yuki

Toshusai Sharaku, act. 1994-95 Ichikawa Ebizo as Takemura Sadanoshin 1794

Toshusai Sharaku, act. 1994-95 Osagawa Tsuneyo II in a female role 1794

Toshusai Sharaku, act. 1994-95 Ichikawa Yaozo III as Fuwa no Banzaemon 1794







Kabukido Enkyo, act. 1796 Ichikawa Yaozo III as Umeomaru 1796

Nakajura Nakazo II As Matsuomaru

Nakamura Noshio II as Sakuramaru



Utagawa Toyokuni, 1769-1825 Takinoya From the series Portraits of Actors on Stage 1794



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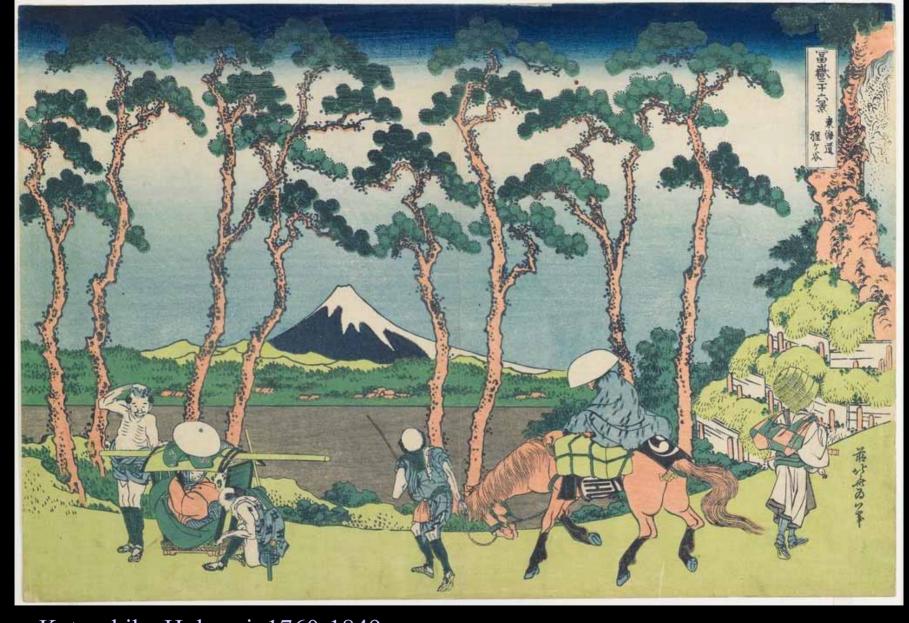
Utagawa Toyokuni, 1797-1861 Popular Otsu-e Phenomenon, 1848

Five things to remember about Kabuki

- 歌舞伎 literally means "song, dance, talent"
- First performed by women (Okuni kabuki), but banned in 1629
- 1652 all actors have shaved pates
- Ribald, bawdy, low-brow alternative to Noh
- Two main types:
 - Military tales sent in the distant past
 - "Domestic" dramas



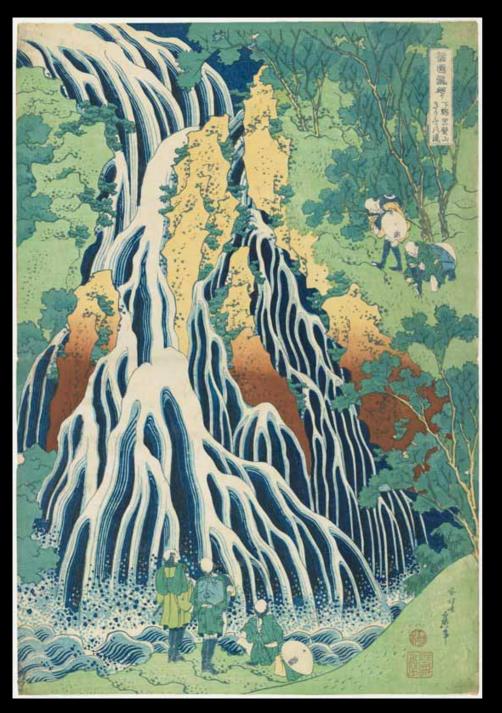
Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Waterwheel at Onden From the series 36 Views of Mt. Fuji, 1831-34



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Hodogaya on the Tokaido Road From the series 36 Views of Mt. Fuji, 1831-34



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Under the Wave off Kanagawa From the series 36 Views of Mt. Fuji, 1831-34



Katsushika Hokusai, Kirifuri Falls near Mt. Kurokami in Shimotsuke Province from the series A Journey to Waterfalls in Various Provinces Ca. 1833



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Suspension bridge between Hida and Etchu from the series Unusual Views of Famous Bridges in Various Provinces 1833-34



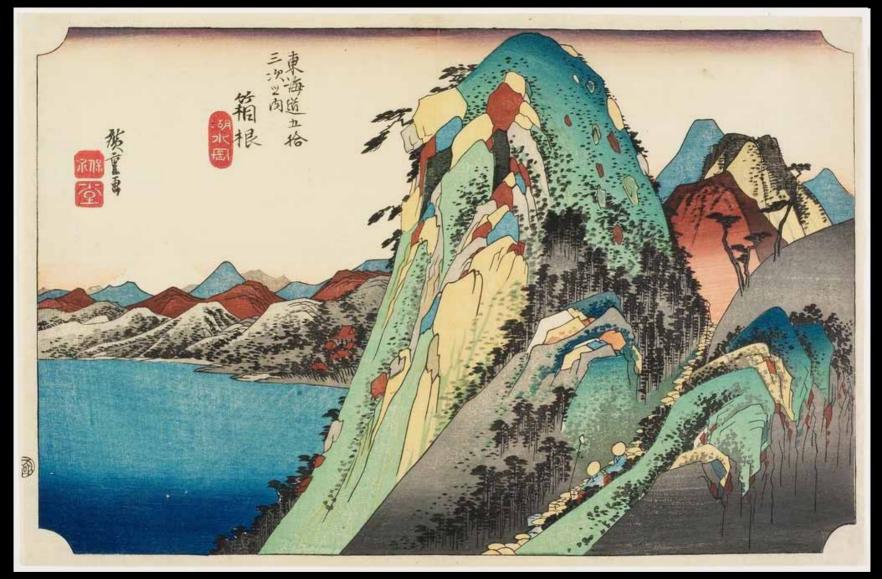
Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Drum Bridge at Kameido Tenjin Shrine from the series Unusual Views of Famous Bridges in Various Provinces 1833-34



Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Shono—Driving Rain From the series Fifty-three Stations of the Tokaido Road Ca. 1833



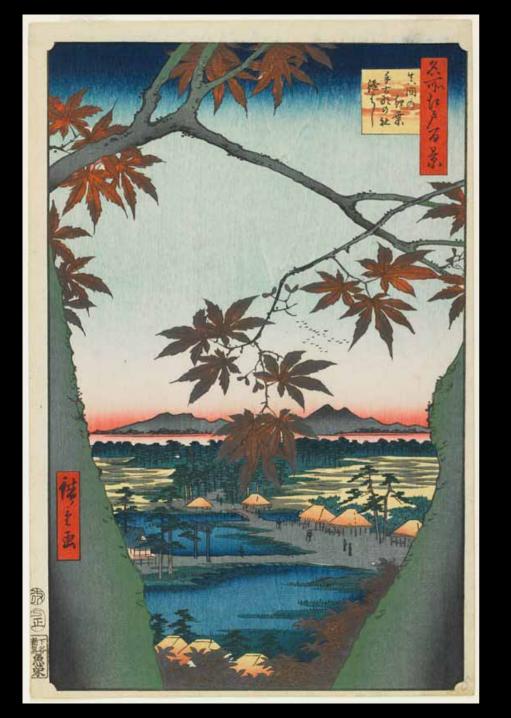
Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Kambara—Night Snow From the series Fifty-three Stations of the Tokaido Road Ca. 1833



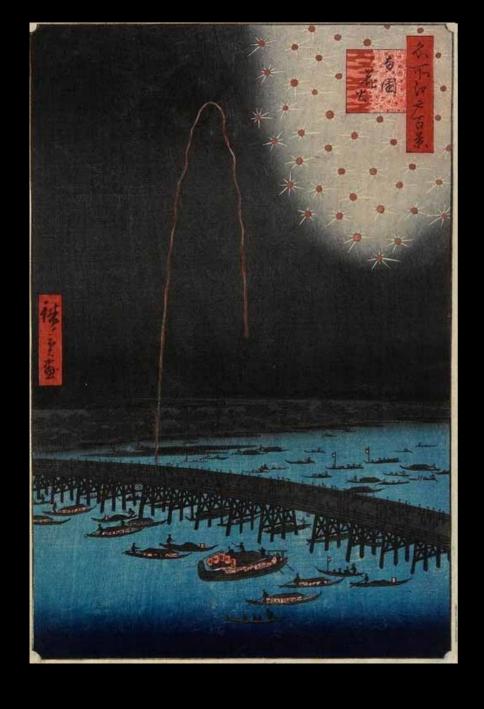
Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Hakone—View of the Lake From the series Fifty-three Stations of the Tokaido Road Ca. 1833



Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Yokkaichi—Mie River From the series Fifty-three Stations of the Tokaido Road Ca. 1833



Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858
Maple Tree at Moma with View
Of Tekona Shrine and Bridge
from the series 100 Famous Views of Edo
Ca. 1833



Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Fireworks at Ryokoku Bridge from the series 100 Famous Views of Edo Ca. 1833

Five things to remember about travel in the Edo period

- Travel highly regulated by the government
- Travel undertaken in the guise of religious pilgrimages
- Travel dramatically increased in the late 18th century; improved roadways with relay stations (seki)
- Landscapes as an independent genre in prints rare until the 1830s
- Proliferation of landscape prints may be due to Prussian or "Berlin blue" after 1829.

Utagawa Kuninao, 1795-1854 Sun Wukong exhaling, 1836

Sonsai Koitsu, act. 1825-1835 Hanasakajijii, ca. 1825



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Daikagura Performers, 1801-5



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Chrysanthemums and Horsefly, from the Large Flower Series, ca. 1832



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Morning glories and frog, from the Large Flower Series, ca. 1832



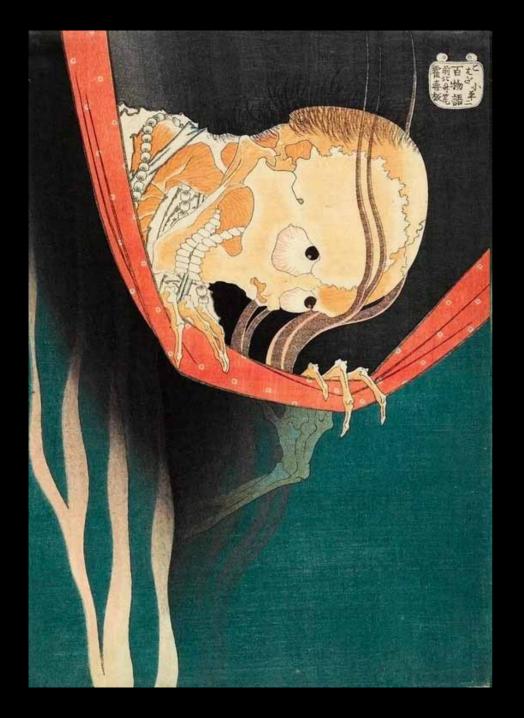
Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Lady Murasaki at Ishiyamadera Temple 1847-48



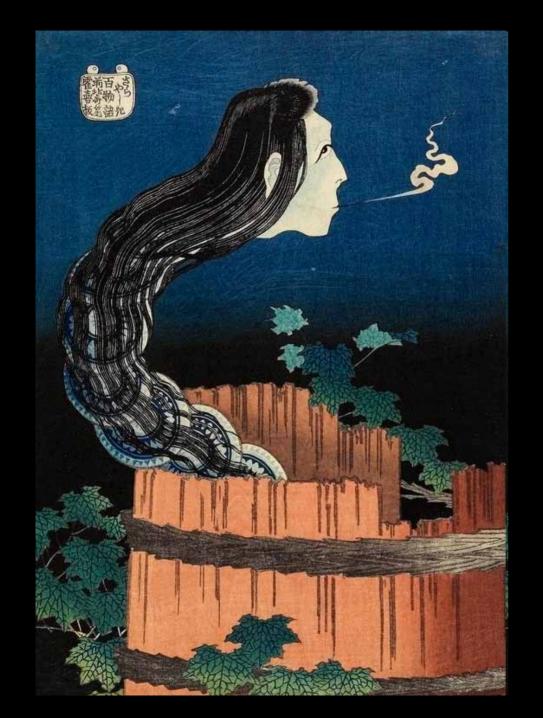
Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Aridoshi Shrine, 1801-4



Utagawa Hiroshige, 1797-1858 Bonito and Cherry Leaves from the series Various Fish, 1832-33



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 Kohada Koheiji from the series One Hundred Tales, 1831-32



Katsushika Hokusai, 1760-1849 The Manor's Dishes from the series One Hundred Tales, 1831-32





Yoshitomo Nara, born 1959 Punk Ebizo (in the floating world), 1999 after Sharaku's Ichikawa Ebizo IV



Yoshitomo Nara, born 1959

Rescue Puppy (in the floating world), 1999
after Hiroshige's Pine at Karasaki, from the series
Eight Views of Omi, ca. 1834
Acrylic and color pencil on printed matter



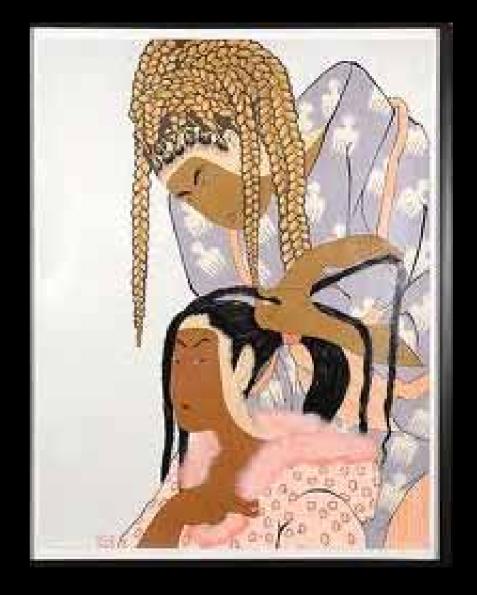


Iona Rozeal Brown, born 1966
One for the Money, Two Faux the Show (Still Pimpin')
after Katsukawa Shun'ei's the Actor Ichikawa Komazo III, 2006
Lent by the University of Virginia Art Museum



Iona Rozeal Brown, born 1966 A3 blackface #59, 2003 Acrylic on paper

Courtesy of the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts





Julian Opie, born 1958 Olivier, racing driver, 2002 Vinyl on wooden stretcher Courtesy of Mr. Steve Smelt, L.A.



Gajin Fujita, born 1972

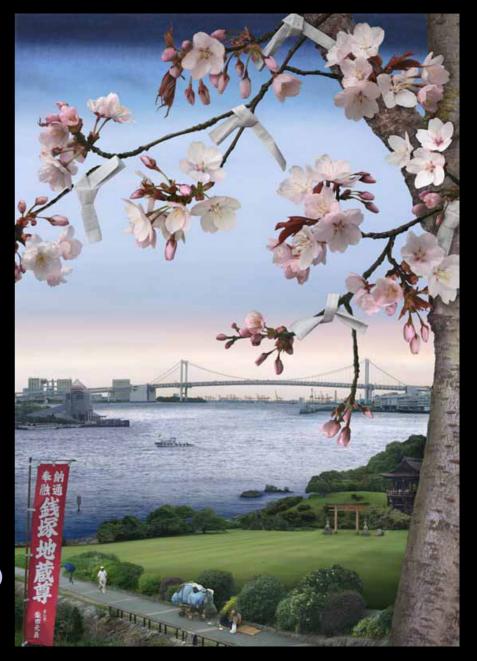
Crew, 2002

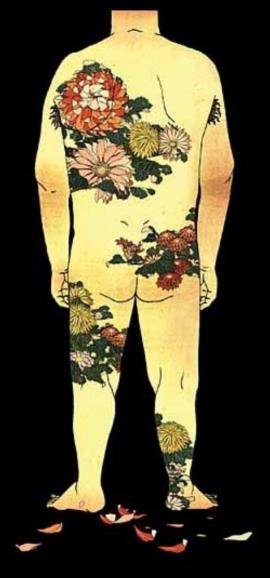
Spray paint, acrylic, and gold leaf on wood

Lent by the Ulrich Museum of Art



Emily Allchurch, born 1974
Tokyo Story 5: Cherry Blossom (after Hiroshige)
Transparency on lightbox
Courtesy of the artist and GBS Fine Art, UK





Tabaimo, born 1975
Hanabi-ra, 2003
Video animation
Lent by the Birmingham Museum of Art, Alabama





Chiho Aoshima, born 1974 City Glow, 2005 Animated film; five synchronized projections





Keisai Eisen Foot Traffic on Nihonbashi Bridge, 1847 Mead Art Museum, Amherst College



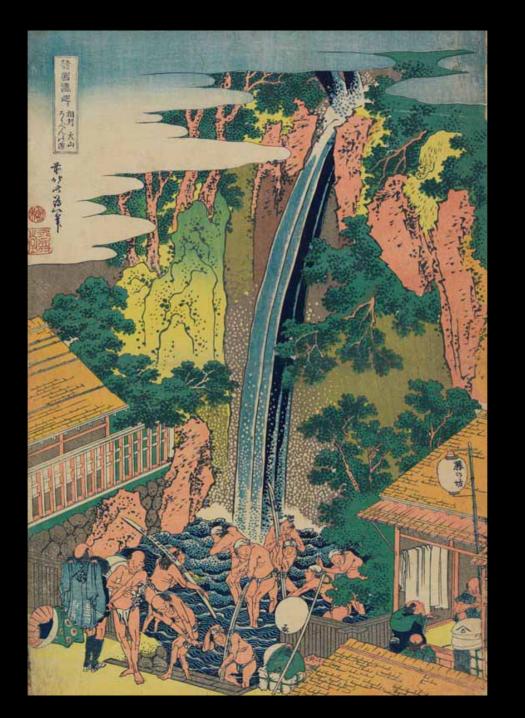




Emily Allchurch, born 1974 Tokyo Story 1: Lotus Garden (after Hiroshige) Photographic transparency on lightbox

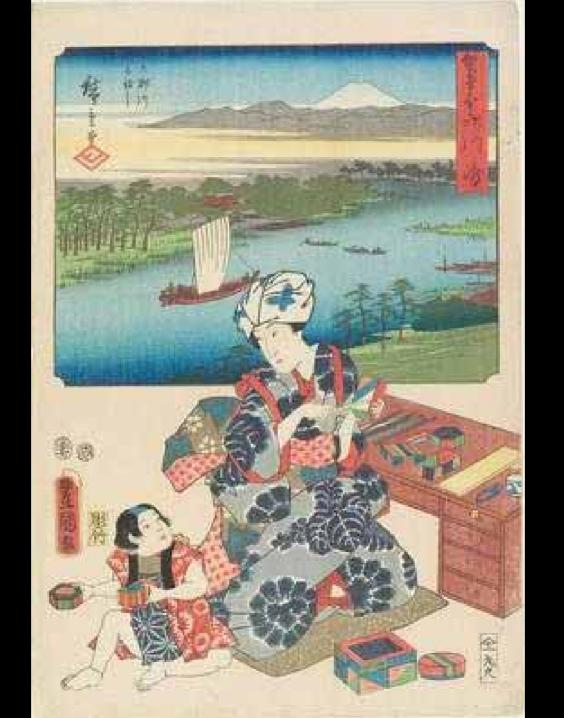


















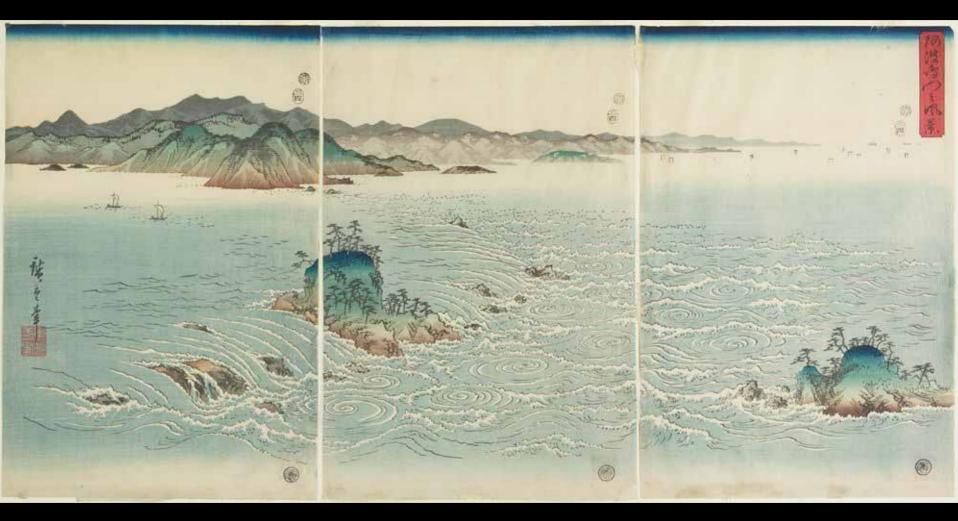
















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