



Yoshitsugu Nagano

Japanese Tea Ritual Master
Professor of the Ueda Soko school
Founder & General Director of Chanoyu Week NYC

Yoshitsugu Nagano is the youngest person to be certified in the highest rank of the Ueda Sōko Tradition of Warrior Tea school, which has been practiced in Hiroshima for 400 years, and serves as a regular professor of the school. He has also organized and represented Chanoyu Week NYC since 2022.

In 2019, he relocated to New York City, where he promotes the spirituality and aesthetics of chanoyu through hosting tea rituals both for public audience and by special arrangement, presenting workshops, and teaching his students. He established his own unique style of tea by incorporating new means of expression into a tradition deeply rooted in Zen.

- 2018 License of Bondatedaitenmoku, the highest rank in the Ueda Sōko Tradition of Warrior Tea school
Certificate of Professor for Japanese Tea Ceremony at Ueda Sōko Tradition of Warrior Tea school
 - 2012 BFA in Faculty of Art, Hiroshima City University Hiroshima, Japan
 - 1988 Born in Ehime, Japan
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- 2022 Tea ceremony demonstration with iichiko (Dr Clark, NYC)
Tea ceremony demonstration (Wanted Design Schools Workshop 2022, NYC)
Tea ceremony with David Zwirner Books (Globus Washitsu, NYC)
Tea-Leaf Storage Jar and Tea Filling Ceremony 2022 (Ippodo gallery, NYC)
Kinka Chabana workshop (KinKa, NYC)
Lecture "How Chanoyu captivated Japanese business leaders" (The Nippon Club, NYC)
Lecture "How to Enjoy Chanoyu in the Office" (SuMi Trust New York office)
Tea ceremony "Basic Knowledge of tea ceremony utensils" (Onishi Gallery, NYC)
Tea ceremony "Snow Peak x Kozaburo Collection Launch" (Snow Peak Brooklyn)
Lecture: The Making of a Japanese Tea House in New York (Fu Qiumeng Fine Art)
Samurai Cocktail (Martiny's, NYC)
Special Screening of the Film "Rikyu" (Japan Society, NYC)
- 2021 Tea Ceremony "Spring Breeze" (J-CLLABO, NYC)
Tea ceremony demonstration (Brooklyn Botanic Garden, NYC)
Japanese Samurai Tea Ceremony "The Ritual of Kuchikiri 2021 (Globus Washitsu, NYC)
Tea Ceremony (Fu Qiumeng Fine Art Gallery, NYC)
Online Lecture- GATEWAY: SAMURAI TEA CEREMONY (NY Budo Association, NYC)
Online Dialogue- Sonoligo Cross-genre Talk (Sonoligo Inc., Japan)
- 2020 Online Lecture- Nihongo Chat + J-Culture (Japan Society, NYC)
Online Lecture- Spreading Chanoyu to the World (JCbase, Tokyo, Japan)
Samurai Tea Ceremony "The Ritual of Kuchikiri 2020 (Globus Washitsu, NYC)
75th anniversary of the atomic bombing Memorial Tea Ceremony (Syukeien, Hiroshima, Japan)

- 2019 The Exhibition -MATERIAL WITNESS (Williamsburg Art & Historical Center, NYC)
JFOODO Japanese Green Tea demonstration (Japan Society, NYC)
Samurai Tea Ceremony -The Ritual of Kuchikiri 2019 (Globus Washitsu, NYC)
The New York Coffee Festival, demonstration (Metropolitan Pavilion, NYC)
- 2018 Wafudo Hatsugama 2018 (Wafudo, Japan)
Tea Ceremony of Soko-ki at Sangenin in Daitoku-ji temple 2018 (Sangenin in Daitoku-ji temple, Kyoto, Japan)
- 2017 White scape – Winter Tea Ceremony in Hatsukaichi (Art Gallery Miyauchi, Hiroshima, Japan)
Terunobu Fujimori: Architecture with Nature, and “ROJO” (Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art in Hiroshima, Japan)
- 2016 Fromage and Tea (French Cheese Board, NYC)
- 2015 Commemorative project for the 70th anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima
(Tea ceremony at Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, Japan)