



Metropolitan Museum

The Dolls of Japan: Shapes of Prayer, Embodiments of Love, a traveling exhibition, opens on March 22, 7 p.m., at the museum's Upper Gallery. The exhibit features wooden dolls, festival dolls, dolls depicting women and children, and dolls of Japanese traditional theater like Noh and Bunraku, all highly rated creations of Japanese craftsmen. Organized by the Japan Foundation Manila Office, the event is part of the Philippines-Japanese Festival. *The Dolls of Japan* will be on view until May 7.

A Trapunto workshop will be conducted by visiting artist Pacita Abad on March 22 at 9 a.m. The workshop will focus on the process of creating her artwork. The workshop is free of charge. Participants are required to bring two 30 x 30 canvases (one piece painted with white latex), one inch-thick foam, acrylic paints, brushes, needles and thread of various color, buttons of various colors, sequins, pencils, a water container, a palette and other objects participants might want to incorporate into their work. For reservations call Bryan Paraiso at 523-7855.

The museum is located at the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas Complex and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday to Saturday.

