Press Release

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<u>TonenGeneral Group Holds Presentation Ceremony for</u> 2012 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award, Music Awards

The TonenGeneral Group held a presentation ceremony for the 2012 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and Music Awards, followed by commemorative performances by the awardees, on November 29 at Suntory Hall (Blue Rose) in Minato-ku, Tokyo.

The awardees, previously announced in October, are as follows.

47th TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award

KAKO Satoshi Child Development Researcher

42nd TonenGeneral Music Awards

Japanese Traditional Music KIYOMOTO Yoshijiro Kiyomoto shamisen

Western Classical Music TATENO Izumi Piano

Western Classical Music Promotion YAMAZAKI Nobuko Cello

During the ceremony, TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K. Representative Director and President Jun Mutoh presented each awardee with a trophy and a cash prize of 2 million yen.

The ceremony was followed by commemorative performances by the awardees. Mr. Kako's endeavors as a child development researcher and an author of picture books were shown through a video presentation. Mr. Kiyomoto performed "Zato", Ms. Yamazaki played Schumann's "Adagio and Allegro op. 70" followed by Debussy's "Sonata for Cello and Piano", and Mr. Tateno gave his first performance of "Hohoemi no Ki – 11 Faces after Enku", written for him by the composer Hirano Ichiro.

The event was attended by around 350 guests, almost 100 of whom were selected from applications for about 1300 seats that the company received in response its announcement of the availability of seating open to the general public.



TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K. Representative Director and President Jun Mutoh speaks at the awards ceremony



The awardees with TG Group executives (from left: EMG Marketing President T. Hirose, Mr. Kiyomoto, Ms. Yamazaki, Mr. Kako, Mr. Tateno, TonenGeneral Sekiyu President J. Mutoh)



Children's Culture Award: Kako Satoshi, child development researcher



Music Award, Japanese Traditional Music: Kiyomoto Yoshijiro, Kiyomoto shamisen



Music Award, Western Classical Music Promotion: Yamazaki Nobuko, cello



Music Award, Western Classical Music: Tateno Izumi, piano

About the TonenGeneral Group

The TonenGeneral Group comprises TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K. and its related companies and subsidiaries including EMG Marketing Godo Kaisha and Tonen Chemical Corporation. Elements of the Group began operations in Japan in 1893. With an emphasis on safety and the environment, the Group's operations are involved in all aspects of the supply chain, from crude export, refining and production to distribution and sales. We will continue to provide a stable supply of energy as we strive to be an energy company that moves Japan into the future. TonenGeneral Sekiyu is listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. For more information, see our website at www.tonengeneral.co.jp.

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