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Announcement

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2016 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and Music Awards Commemorative Performances

The TonenGeneral Group presented a program of commemorative performances by the recipients of the 2016 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and Music Awards on November 8 at Kioi Hall in Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo. The event was attended by around 600 guests, including members of the general public and guests of the awardees.

The recipients of the 2016 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and Music Awards, previously announced, are as follows.

51st TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award

AMAN Kimiko Author of children's literature

46th TonenGeneral Music Awards

Japanese Traditional Music	KINEYA Yosimaru	<i>nagauta</i> performer and researcher
Western Classical Music	INOUE Michiyoshi	Conductor
Western Classical Music Promotion	HAGIWARA Mami	Piano

The performances began with a reading by Children's Culture Award recipient Kimiko Aman of her first published book, *Kuruma no iro wa sora no iro shiroi boshi*. Yosimaru Kineya, the Japanese Traditional Music Award recipient, performed the Rokuzaemon Kineya XI composition *Shin-kokaji*, accompanied by 12 musicians. Western Classical Music Promotion Award recipient Mami Hagiwara performed the first movement of Mozart's Piano Concerto in B-flat Major, K.595, accompanied by Orchestra Ensemble Kanazawa, under the baton of Western Classical Music Award recipient Michiyoshi Inoue. For the final performance of the evening, Mr. Inoue took to the stage once more to conduct the orchestra in a performance of the third and fourth movements of Beethoven's Symphony No. 4 in B-flat Major, Opus 60.

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Children's Culture Award
AMAN Kimiko, author of children's literature



Music Award - Japanese Traditional Music
KINEYA Yosimaru, *nagauta* performer and researcher



Music Award - Western Classical Music
INOUE Michiyoshi, conductor



Music Award - Western Classical Music Promotion
HAGIWARA Mami, piano



Award recipients with TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K.
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