

Machiya – The Delicate Townhouses of Kyoto Talk by *Pauline Chakmakjian*

Tuesday, 20 September 18.45



Machiya are traditional forms of Japanese architecture found mainly in central Kyoto, the old capital of Japan.

This evening will provide a sensory insight and experience into the atmosphere of Machiya living. Starting with a very visual lecture, Pauline Chakmakjian reveals the various unique architectural features specific to these charming homes and gives a background to the lifestyle of Kyotoites from the past and present. Machiya would have private client rooms where guests would be entertained with geisha, koto concerts, Noh drama, fan games and other delights. Many Machiya also possess tea ceremony rooms where the merchants would invite their clients and guests as gestures of their respect and hospitality.

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