



## 2019 TANABATA FESTIVAL KAZARI BASIC JUDGING CRITERIA

Originality/Creativity use of flowers and steamers, and Construction.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Saturday, August 3, 2019**

Kazari not registered by the deadline will not be eligible for the contest and will be displayed only.

**Basic Design:** Utilizing the traditional method (*kusudama* (ball) top, ring in the middle, and streamers).

**Originality/Creativity:** Is the kazari constructed in a way that expands the traditional method?

- Unique design in place of the *kusudama* (ball) alternative shapes and materials are acceptable.
- Your *kazari* must be covered by at least 50% with hand-made paper flowers.
- Must have streamers, which can be made from paper, strings of origami or other items may be included.

**Materials Not Recommended:** light weight items such as foil, ribbon get tangled and fall off

**Suggest:** heavy duty scotch tape, double sided tape and glue or thin wire to support paper flowers.

**If the kazari is over the maximum height, width or weight, it will be disqualified for the contest.**

The kazari may be displayed but will not be entered in the contest

- **MAXIMUM HEIGHT: 8 feet**
- **MAXIMUM WIDTH: 22 inches**
- **MAXIMUM WEIGHT: 8 pounds**

**PRIZES:** The first place winner in each category will receive \$50 and a specially designed framed award. The Founder's Award will be awarded to the overall winner of the first place winners in each category and receives an additional \$50 prize.

- Friday, August 9, 5 pm – Opening Ceremony – Kazari Award presentation
- Saturday, August 10 – Open Voting for “People’s Choice” Award
- Sunday, August 11 – “People’s Choice” Award announced –

**KAZARI DROP-OFF DAY: Thursday, August 8, 2019 (Lot 7 - Judge Aiso between Temple & 1st)**

**KAZARI PICK-UP DAY: Monday, August 12, 2019 (Lot 7 - Judge Aiso between Temple & 1st)**

**KOBAN WORKSHOPS:** Kazari making workshops are held at the Little Tokyo Koban on Saturdays at 10 am – 4:30 pm unless otherwise noted. Please check the schedule on our website.

Kazari materials may be purchased during workshop hours only at the Koban on first come, first served basis. Come early for best selection. Check out our special prices for First Time participants.

**FESTIVAL DATES: Friday, August 9, 5 pm – Opening Ceremony to Sunday, August 11**  
at 1st Street and Central Avenue, in front of the JANM (Japanese American National Museum) and MOCA (Geffen /Museum of Contemporary Art).

**11th Los Angeles Tanabata Festival –**

**Saturday, August 10 at 11 am & Sunday, August 11 at 11 am**

Kazari On Display – Arts & Crafts – Festival Foods – Entertainment – Contests – Games

**Los Angeles Tanabata Festival**

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