Friends of Asian Arts and Cultures

Tour of the Frederick Meijer Gardens and the Yinka Shonibare Exhibit

Wednesday, July 27th

Have you visited the Japanese garden at the Frederick Meijer Gardens recently? Join us on this tour where we will also see the exhibition of works by Yinka Shonibare, a self-proclaimed "postcolonial hybrid" of British-Nigerian heritage. Shonibare is best known for his playful combination of colorful Dutch wax-fabric patterns popular in West Africa with the fashion of upper-class Victorian culture. The tour will include comments from Dr. Mary-Louise Totton, of Western Michigan University, on the connection between these fabrics and Southeast Asian batik textiles.

Schedule

10:00 am
Meet in front of Frederick Meijer Gardens

12:00 am
Break for Lunch

1:00 pm
Tour Yinka Shonibare CBE Exhibition with discussion from Dr. Mary-Louise Totton on the connections to Asian art