

Shogi & Dobutsu Shogi (Let's catch the lion!) WORKSHOP!



Workshop Details

Shogi is a traditional Japanese board game, similar to Western Chess. Played by two players, the different ways in which the pieces can move arguably makes Shogi strategically more interesting and exciting to play through to the end. However, the downside of Shogi is that it takes some time to master...

In order to encourage those who have always wanted to play Shogi but didn't know where to start, Sydney Shogi Club has invited **Madoka Kitao**, one of Japan's most distinguished Shogi players to teach you 'Dobutsu Shogi' ('Animal Shogi'), a simplified version of Shogi, invented by Kitao herself.

Having much less pieces on the board, Dobutsu Shogi may seem an easy game at first, but once you experience it, you will soon be drawn into the dazzling labyrinthine world of Shogi.



The game is suitable for all ages and even those who consider themselves a Shogi master will also be fascinated to play this wild variation!

At the beginning of workshop, Madoka Kitao will also talk about the culture and history of Shogi in Japan. Come and enjoy Dobutsu Shogi and meet the master and inventor of this cute board game!

Workshop Content



What is Dobutsu Shogi?

Learning about Dobutsu Shogi (simplified Shogi) from the inventor.



Learn History of Shogi

Learning about History of Shogi from the professional Shogi player!!



Let's play the game!!!

Okay! You know a lot now!
Let us play Shogi / Dobutsushogi!!
Have a fun!



Date/Time: 1st April / 6pm to 8pm
(Doors open 5:30pm)

Venue: Japan Foundation, Sydney
Level 4 (access via lifts only), Central Park
28 Broadway, Chippendale NSW 2008

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Workshop Agenda

- Introduction of workshop and Madoka Kitao - 5 mins
- Introduction of Dobutsu shogi - 10 mins
- Play Dobutsu Shogi - 30mins
- Break - 10 mins
- History of Shogi from the origin - 20mins
- Shogi manner - 10mins
- Experience of Shogi - 30min

About Kitao Madoka

Madoka fell in love with Shogi when she was at high school. Her love for Shogi, she says, is because the universe of shogi is unlimited on the board of 81 squares, on which you can create a unique world by moving a piece of Shogi out of 20, with your own will and strategies. She decided to be a professional shogi player and joined Ikuseikai of Japan Shogi Association when she was at 17 year-old. After 3 years of competitions, Madoka was granted a lady shogi professional player in October 2000 and was promoted to Second dan in August 2013.

Fee: FREE! BOOKING ESSENTIAL
Max: 40 participants

***All participants must RSVP
by 29th of March**

RSVP (FREE!): <https://goo.gl/forms/xRrenOcwMYiGmBlw2>