



April 1, 2023

Dear Donor:

I am writing to request your support in the form of a donation for a silent auction being held to benefit the Tomoe Arts Society. TomoeArts is a Vancouver-based dance theatre company that presents traditional Japanese theatre as well as new interdisciplinary performances that incorporate traditional Japanese forms and aesthetics. This year's fundraiser is being held specifically to support the production of a public concert planned for January 2024 that will bring together collaborators the company has worked with over the past fifteen years to commemorate the creative relationships forged by the company's late founding Artistic Director, Colleen Lanki.

The fundraiser will be a hybrid event with an online auction that will run for one month, from June 23rd to July 23rd, 2023, ending with an in-person afternoon gathering on Sunday, July 23rd, at a restaurant in downtown Vancouver. The auction forms the core of our fundraising efforts, and *we are seeking donations of items and gift certificates* to be included in our auction.

We anticipate an attendance of approximately 50 performing arts enthusiasts at the two and a half hour, in-person event and the online auction will be promoted to our mailing list of close to 800 subscribers. In addition to being displayed and highlighted throughout the in-person event, donations and the names of our donors will also be promoted on our social media accounts regularly throughout the one-month auction period. In addition, all donors to the Tomoe Arts fundraiser auction will also be acknowledged in the online announcements and printed program for the January 2024 memorial concert.

TomoeArts is a registered charity under the Canada Income Tax Act as detailed below:

Tomoe Arts Society. [www.tomoearts.org](http://www.tomoearts.org)  
Charitable Registration No.: 833955826 RR0001

Whatever form it takes, your donation will be a valuable contribution toward the success of our upcoming event and your support will be deeply appreciated. We would also be pleased to display or distribute any materials for cross-promotion that you might wish to provide for the guests at our event and, if possible, online.

If you have any further questions I can answer, please feel free to contact me directly by email as below.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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