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Special Presentation in COLONNADE3

"Botany and Botanical Art in the University of Tokyo - Makino Tomitarō and Yamada Toshio"

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The JP Tower Museum INTERMEDIATHEQUE has renewed part of its permanent exhibition *Made in UMUT – The University of Tokyo Collection* held on its third floor. This special presentation entitled "Botany and Botanical Art in the University of Tokyo – Makino Tomitarō and Yamada Toshio" showcases botanical sketches by Yamada Toshio.

Yamada Toshio (1882–1941) is a botanical artist active from late Meiji to early Showa eras. He is known as one of the illustrators of *An Illustrated Flora of Nippon* (1940), a monumental botanical publication written by Makino Tomitarō (1862–1957), a famous botanist in Japan.

The present exhibition showcases for the first time 60 colour pictures from these botanical sketches resulting from the collaboration between a botanist and a botanical artist. It provides the public with a unique opportunity to see this new collection from the University of Tokyo, testifying to the history of botanical art that supported botanical research in the university.

Key Information

[Title] Special Presentation "Botany and Botanical Art in the University of Tokyo - Makino Tomitarō and Yamada Toshio"

[Dates] The museum is currently closed to prevent the further spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The exhibition is planned to start when the museum reopens.

[Opening Hours] 11:00 – 18:00 (open until 20:00 on Fridays and Saturdays) *Opening hours may change. [Closed on] Mondays (or the following Tuesday if Monday is a National Holiday) and Year-end holidays. May close irregularly.

[Venue] Intermediatheque 3F [COLONNADE3]

[Organizer] The University Museum, the University of Tokyo (UMUT)

[Admission] Free of charge

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