

# Japanese Wax Resist Dyeing Workshop

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Students will have the opportunity to experience the traditional Japanese craft of roketsuzome dyeing, where they can choose from various designs to create an unforgettable art piece.

ROKETSU is a traditional textile dyeing method used in Kyoto, also known as wax-resist dyeing. In this method, wax is applied to a cotton fabric to create a design. When the fabric is dyed in indigo, the areas where wax has been applied block the dye and leave those areas white. The ROKETSU DYEING process involves more than 20 steps if the traditional method is used. Students will create 3 to 4 roketsuzome dyeing pieces.

Duration: 4-hour workshop

Maximum: Capacity 20 students

Supply Kit: \$40

## Students to bring:

- **Old clothes to wear**
- **1 pair of plastic gloves**
- **Apron**

## Supply kit includes:

- ½ yard of Cotton Fabric for Dyeing – PFD

Use of the following during the workshop:

- Paint brush
- Hot pad
- Wax
- Light box
- Weights
- Indigo dye
- Buckets for dye
- Buckets with clean water
- Hot pad burners
- Large stock pots
- Irons
- Ironing stations
- Plastic bags for storage of finished projects

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