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<u>TonenGeneral Group Holds Presentation Ceremony for</u> 2015 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and Music Awards

The TonenGeneral Group held a presentation ceremony for the 2015 TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and the TonenGeneral Music Awards at the Hotel Okura Tokyo in Minato-ku, Tokyo, on September 30.

The awards were presented to the following recipients, previously announced in a July 7 press release.

50th TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award

GOMI Taro Picture book author

45th TonenGeneral Music Awards

Japanese Traditional Music SAWAI Kazue sôkyoku

Western Classical Music TERAKADO Ryo Violin, conductor

Western Classical Music Promotion KAWAMOTO Yoshiko Viola

During the presentation ceremony, TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K. Representative Director and President Jun Mutoh presented each awardee with a trophy and a prize of 2 million yen. The ceremony was also attended by six past recipients of the TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award in honor of the 50th anniversary of the award.

Commemorative performances by the awardees will be presented at Kioi Hall at 5:30 p.m. on November 16, 2015. Once again this year, the TonenGeneral Group will hold a drawing for complimentary tickets to the event. Information on the drawing will be posted on our website (http://www.tonengeneral.co.jp/).



About the TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and the TonenGeneral Music Awards

The TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award and the TonenGeneral Music Awards were established to honor outstanding individuals and groups who have contributed to the improvement and prosperity of children's culture and music culture in Japan.

The TonenGeneral Children's Culture Award, established in 1966 and now in its fiftieth year, has grown to become a time-honored award. One feature of this award is the diverse array of recipients and genres for which it is presented. Past recipients, which have been selected from various professions involved in children's culture and encompass everyone from nationally-renowned personalities to those who conduct their activities on a local level, have included authors, scholars, researchers, critics, singers, actors, the director of a wild grass garden, the editor and publisher of a children's newspaper, a puppetry carnival steering committee and the head of a children's musical troupe.

The Tonen General Music Awards, established in 1971, are now in their forty-fifth year. The Western Classical Music Promotion division was created in 1989 to provide encouragement to promising young musicians who are sure to have an impact on the future of music in Japan. In the Japanese Traditional Music division, 21 past recipients have been designated as Living National Treasures. Features of the awards include divisions for both Japanese traditional music and Western classical music, and recognition not only of a particular year's activities but of accomplishments to date.

About the TonenGeneral Group

The TonenGeneral Group, comprising TonenGeneral Sekiyu K.K. and its related companies and subsidiaries, is primarily engaged in the petroleum and petrochemical businesses. Under our three brands, Esso, Mobil and General, we will continue to provide a stable supply of energy as we strive to be an energy company that moves Japan into the future. TonenGeneral Sekiyu is listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange. For more information, please visit our website at www.tonengeneral.co.jp.

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