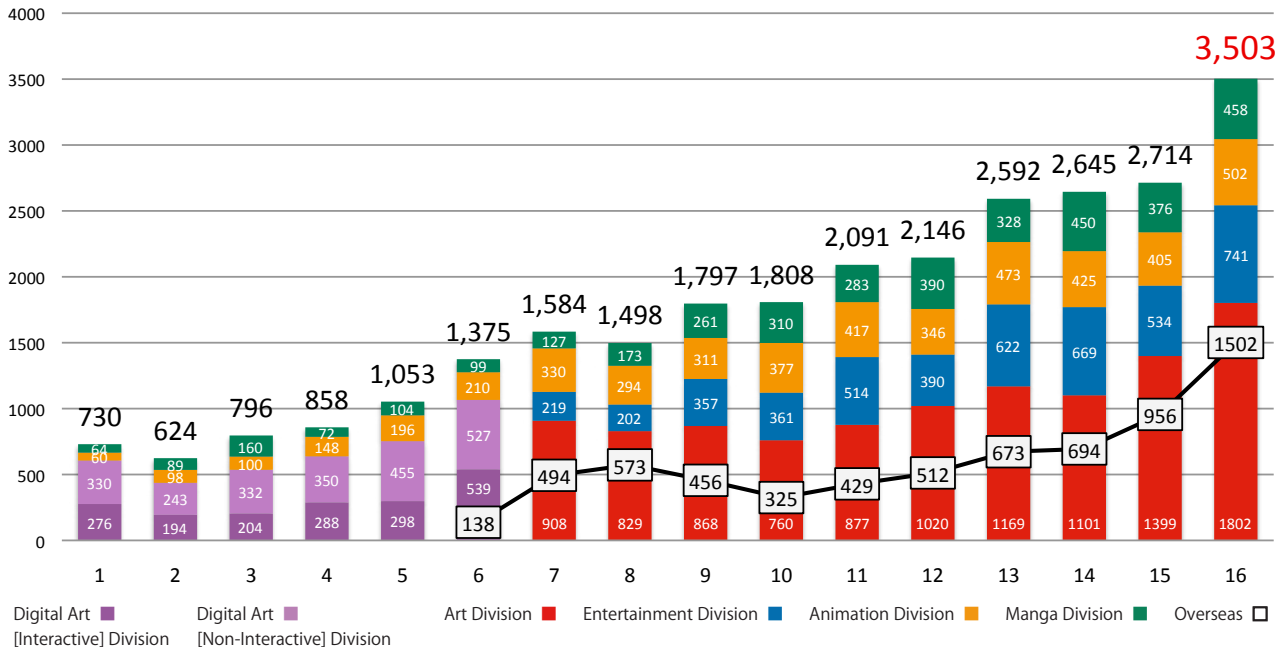




# The 16th Japan Media Arts Festival A new record 3,503 entries!



Number of Entries by Festival Year (1st-16th)

By the end of the application period on September 20th 2012, a record number of 3,503 works had been submitted for the 16th Japan Media Arts Festival, more than in any year since 1997. There was an especially dramatic increase in the number of overseas applications: 1,502 works from 71 countries and regions - 30% more than last year. Many works were also submitted in the newly established categories of Media Performance (in the Art Division) and Gadgets (in the Entertainment Division), reflecting great attention and interest in these new genres.

For each division, five jury members will award one Grand Prize, four Excellence Awards, and three New Face Awards, on the basis of artistic quality and creativity. These winning entries will be announced in mid-December along with other Jury Selections and a Special Achievement Award.

The end of the application period also marked the release of a significant upgrade and redesign of the official Japan Media Arts Festival website.

We will announce Award-winners and provide regular updates on the upcoming Exhibition of Award-winning Works at the National Art Center, Tokyo (Roppongi, Tokyo) as well as other relevant information and announcements.

For further information on the exhibition, award-winning works and more  
**the official Japan Media Arts Festival website** <http://j-mediaarts.jp>

\* to read all press releases and to apply for interviews and publicity/promotional material, please visit the **Press** page of the official website

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# The 16th Japan Media Arts Festival Summary of Entries

**Divisions** The Four Divisions (Art, Entertainment, Animation, Manga)  
**Period** Thursday, July 12 - Thursday, September 20, 2012 71days

## ■ Number of Entries

Interactive art	232
Media installations	288
Video works	537
Digital photographs	220
Graphic art	189
Web-based works	61
Media performances	98
Others	177
<b>Art Division</b>	<b>Total</b> 1,802

Games	108
Video works	297
Gadgets	48
Websites	124
Application software	95
Others	69
<b>Entertainment Division</b>	<b>Total</b> 741

Animated feature films	23
Animated short films	370
Animated TV series	61
Animated series or films released in home-video formats	14
Others	34
<b>Animation Division</b>	<b>Total</b> 502

Comics published in book form	223
Comics published in a magazine	97
Comics published online	67
Self-published comics	57
Others	14
<b>Manga Division</b>	<b>Total</b> 458

<b>Total number</b>	<b>3,503</b>
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## ■ Overseas Entries

### 1,502 works from 71 countries and regions

Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Syria, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela, Vietnam



The Japan Media Arts Festival is a comprehensive festival of Media Arts (=Media Geijyutsu) that honors outstanding works from a diverse range of media arts from animation and comics to media art and games.

■ **Future Schedule**    **Award-winning Works will be announced in the middle of December.**

**Jury Screening**    October to November, 2012

**Announcement of Award-winning Works**    Mid-December, 2012

**Awards Ceremony**    Tuesday, February 12, 2013

**Exhibition of Award-winning Works**    Wednesday, February 13 - Sunday, February 24, 2013

\*Closed on Tuesday, February 19

Venue: The National Art Center, Tokyo (Roppongi, Tokyo) , etc.

■ **Jury Members**    **20 members total, 5 for each division**

**[Art Division]**    HARA Kenya / Graphic Designer

KAMIYA Yukie / Chief Curator, Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art

MIWA Masahiro / Composer and Professor, Institute of Advanced Media Arts and Science (IAMAS)

OKABE Aomi / Art Critic

TAKATANI Shiro / Artist

**[Entertainment Division]**    ITO Gabin / Editor and Creative Director

IWATANI Toru / Game Creator and Professor, Tokyo Polytechnic University

KUBOTA Akihiro / Artist and Professor, Tama Art University

NAKAMURA Yugo / Interface Designer, tha ltd.

TERAI Hironori / Creative Director

**[Animation Division]**    FURUKAWA Taku / Animation Artist

HIKAWA Ryusuke / Anime Critic

OSHII Mamoru / Film Director

SUGII Gisaburo / Animation Director

WADA Toshikatsu / Animation Artist and Special Professor, Tokyo Zokei University

**[Manga Division]**    ITO Go / Manga Critic and Associate Professor, Tokyo Polytechnic University

MINAMOTO Taro / Manga Artist and Manga Researcher

SAITO Nobuhiko / Editor and Manga Researcher

TAKEMIYA Keiko / Manga Artist and Professor, Kyoto Seika University

YAMADA Tomoko / Manga Researcher

■ **The Awards**    **Japan Media Arts Festival awards will be presented  
by the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology**

For each division, one Grand Prize, four Excellence Awards, and three New Face Awards will be awarded on the basis of artistic quality and creativity. In addition, a Special Achievement Award will be awarded upon the recommendation of the Jury to a person or group having made a special contribution to Media Arts in the four specified divisions.

**Grand Prize:** Certificate from the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; Trophy; 600,000 Japanese Yen

**Excellence Award:** Certificate from the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; Trophy; 300,000 Japanese Yen

**New Face Award:** Certificate from the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; Trophy; 200,000 Japanese Yen

**Special Achievement Award:** Certificate from the Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; Trophy

\* Other outstanding works will be selected by the Jury as Jury Selections.

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