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*Our Mission: "nurture and promote the cultural arts of Japan"*

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Dear Ms. Yu Ugawa,

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate you on twenty (20) years of outstanding success at *You & Yu Kimono Kitsuke Gakuin*. What an accomplishment! Such an achievement truly speaks to your personal vision, integrity, leadership and commitment.

Through your friendship with the Eastside Nihon Matsuri Association's *Aki Matsuri Event* in Bellevue, Washington, USA, we have been a privileged recipient of your friendship, talents and skills. Of special note is the truly unforgettable Kimono Presentation and Yukata Show you choreographed and directed at the 2011 Aki Matsuri.

Your dedication to the education and cultural understanding of kimono is admirable, and adds greatly to the enjoyment and benefit of many "friends of Japan". Through your strong efforts and dedication to the art of kimono the bonds of friendship between our countries and cultures become significantly strengthened. On behalf of all the *Aki Matsuri Team*, I wish you many more years of success.

With warm personal regards,

Tom Brooke – President  
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