



**JFNY NEWSLETTER | December 13, 2024** □□

Welcome to our final newsletter of 2024 □ Look back with us as we highlight some of our biggest events from the year. And there's more to come! Stay tuned for our Jan. newsletter for our Foreign Exchange: Anime Inspirations & Visionaries with LeSean Thomas recap.

Also, if you've already gone through your entire holiday movie streaming selection, be sure to check out our JFF Theater highlight in this edition for ideas for your next watch □

We'd like to thank and each everyone who has supported the Japan Foundation New York this past year. Happy holidays!

## *Website Updates*



### **Website Maintenance Notice**

Site to be offline 12/21 thru 12/25

Heads up! Our website will be down for maintenance beginning Sunday, Dec. 21. The website will be online again on Thursday, Dec. 26. For updates during this period, please check our social media.

## *From Us*



### **JFF Theater - Little Motions, Big Emotions - YASHIRO Takeshi Stop**

#### **Motion Animation**

Online

We hope you're enjoying the latest films on JFF Theater! In this volume, we're highlighting the films featured in the "Little Motions, Big Emotions" collection. These short films evoke deep emotions & are animated using stop-motion techniques involving meticulously crafted & woven small wooden figures. Created and directed by **Yashiro Takeshi**.

#### **Featuring:**

Pukkulpottas and Hours in the Forest

Moon of a Sleepless Night

Gon, The Little Fox

Norman the Snowman - The Northern Lights -

Norman the Snowman - On a Night of Shooting Stars -

Create an account and watch today!

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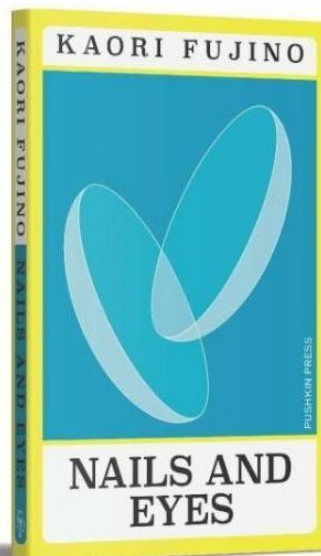
## *From Us (2024 Highlights)*

## Author & Translator Event: Kaori Fujino and Kendall Heitzman

A bilingual reading with the author and English translator of the award-winning *Nails and Eyes*, followed by a Q&A

April 22, 2024  
5:30 pm

Boston University  
Riverside Room



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## Author & Translator Event: Kaori Fujino & Kendall Heitzman

April 17-25

IA, WA, IL, NH, MA, NY, CT

This April, we coordinated with Midwest and Northeast-area universities and bookstores to present author **Kaori Fujino** & book translator **Kendall Heitzman** featuring Fujino's award-winning novel *Nails and Eyes*. Each of the seven stops on this book tour featured a bilingual reading along with a Q&A session.

Watch the video below from the Boston University event on April 22, filmed inside the Boston University Riverside Room, for a sense of the tour.

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**ANIME NYC**  
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# THE ULTIMATE YOKAI PANEL

**8/24**

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## Anime NYC 2024 | The Ultimate Yokai Panel

August 24

Jacob Javits Convention Center, Panel Room 2 – 1A12 (New York, NY)

In August 2024, we sponsored a panel at Anime NYC - The Ultimate Yokai Panel! Acclaimed yokai experts **Hiroko Yoda** and **Matt Ait** (authors of *Yokai Attack! The Japanese Monster Survival Guide* and *Yurei Attack! The Japanese Ghost Survival Guide*) joined **Zack Davisson** (author of *The Ultimate Guide to Japanese Yokai* and *Kaibyo: The Supernatural Cats of Japan*) for an engaging discussion about the cultural, spiritual, and pop-cultural roots of Japan's spooky side, moderated by **Deb Aoki**.

Watch the panel below!

→[WATCH NOW](#)



### Kore-eda Hirokazu Tribute and Retrospective

Oct. 17 - 20

Gene Siskel Film Center (Chicago, IL)

AMC NEWCITY 14 (Chicago, IL)

Along with Chicago International Film Festival, we were extremely honored in October to bring highly acclaimed director **Kore-eda Hirokazu** for a tribute and retrospective of his films as part of the festival. Kore-eda was present for all film screenings and answered many questions relating to his works and his career as a filmmaker.

Watch the two Q&As and exclusive interview below to learn more about *Monster* & *Shoplifters* as well as Kore-eda's inspirations, career, and goals.

→[WATCH NOW \[Monster Q&A\]](#)

→[WATCH NOW \[Shoplifters Q&A\]](#)

→[WATCH NOW \[Hirokazu Kore-eda Interview\]](#)

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