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Japanese Rakugo Storytelling

with English subtitles

By *Yanagiya Sankyo*
& *Yanagiya Kyonosuke*

Friday, Feb. 27

6:00 PM (admission free)

Boston University

CGS Auditorium

871 Comm. Ave Room 129

(Green Line (B) BU West)



Yanagiya Sankyo was born in 1948. He became an apprentice to Yanagiya Kosan VI in 1967 and received a shin'uchi rank in 1981. He is a veteran rakugo performer who can portray the subtle emotions of a character during a performance. He is a board member of the Association of Rakugo Performers.



Yanagiya Kyonosuke was born in 1971 and became an apprentice to Sankyo in 1993. He received a shin'uchi rank in 2007.

Rakugo is a 400-year-old tradition of storytelling in Japan. A minimalistic performance art, Rakugo features a lone storyteller dressed in kimono, kneeling on a cushion, who, using only a fan and a hand towel for props, entertains the audience with a comic prelude followed by a traditional story.

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