The Fourth International Symposium of Japanese Gardens

Evolution of Japanese Gardens through Adaptations

Japanese Gardens in today’s Japan face many critical issues: the foremost being how to preserve and maintain historical gardens. The second is how to adapt the spirit of the Japanese gardens to the ever changing modern Japanese society: its space for gardens is diminishing and people’s beliefs, thoughts and tastes on the Japanese gardens have changed from historical times.

Do Japanese gardens abroad have comparable issues?
Do persons brought up outside of Japan have the same appreciation and understanding of the Japanese garden as those brought up in Japan?
How does one try to adapt the spirit of the Japanese gardens to gardens in foreign countries?

Symposium will attempt to explore these questions and others as well as to learn more about the spirit of Japanese gardens.

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