

~Free Event~  
**English Rakugo**  
By Tatekawa Shinoharu



Date / Time: **Tuesday, December 2, 2014**  
**18:15 – 19:30** (Rakugo, Q&A)  
**19:45 – 20:45** (Reception \*Free Food)

Venue: **18 Building Hall (Rakugo Performance)**  
**MM Hall, 21 KOMCEE West B1F (Reception)**  
Eligibility: **Students and Researchers at Komaba Campus**

Sign-up by: **Thu., November 20, 2014 17:00**  
Sign-up at: **International Center Komaba Office**  
**21 KOMCEE West B1F, 10:00 ~ 17:00**

<Tatekawa Shinoharu's Profile>

Tatekawa Shinoharu was born in Osaka but raised in Chiba, and spent a total of 7 years in the United States as a young child and as a college student. After graduating from Yale University, he began working at Mitsui & Co., but his life took a huge turn when, just by chance, he saw a *rakugo* "Japanese comedic storytelling" performance for the first time. In October 2002, he left his job at Mitsui & Co. after three and a half years of working there, and entered the Tatekawa school of *rakugo*. Presently, he does dozens of *rakugo* performances around Japan and internationally, incorporating classic *rakugo* styles, new *rakugo* styles, and English language *rakugo* styles in his dynamic and hilarious sketches.