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"Be a Samurai," Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo Offers Exclusive Guest Activity

February 27, 2018, Tokyo – <u>Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo</u>, leading Japanese hospitality company <u>Fujita</u> <u>Kanko</u>'s iconic five-star flagship property, announced a new one-of-a-kind activity for its guests: "Be a Samurai," a thrilling Japanese cultural experience offered in collaboration with internationally recognized sword artist Tetsuro Shimaguchi's "Kengishu-Kamui" sword troupe.

"We emphasize authentic cultural experiences," says Hiroshi Izumi the hotel's General Manager. "With our magnificent Japanese botanical garden as the perfect backdrop, guests can now revel in the art of Japanese swordsmanship. We hope our international guests take full advantage of this truly unique experience."

Kengishu-Kamui is a group of "Samurai Sword Artists," that merges the beauty of form, theatrics, and martial arts. In addition to performing shows and appearing in movies and other events, the group also specializes in sword choreography and direction. Its leader, Tetsuro Shimaguchi, has done extensive work internationally including handling choreography for, and performing in, Quentin Tarantino's 2003 film, "Kill Bill: Vol. 1."

The following two plans are available on weekdays through December 28th, 2018:

<u>Samurai Workshop</u>: In this 90-minute workshop, guests learn sword techniques while enjoying a lecture (available in English) on traditional Japanese notions of beauty in form and spirituality. The cost is 90,000 yen for 2-5 guests with each additional guest costing 12,000 yen. 10:30 am–12:00 pm or 2:30 pm–4:00 pm.

Private Samurai Show: An over-the-top, exquisite experience of theatrical excitement and fine dining. Guests enjoy Kaiseki cuisine, traditional Japanese multi-course dinner, followed by a private performance of stunning samurai feats. The experience is roughly 120 minutes (90-minute dinner followed by a 30-minute show) with 2 guests costing 700,000 yen, each additional guest costing 25,000 yen, and children under age 12 costing 15,000 yen.

Reservations are required for both plans. For more details, visit <u>http://www.hotel-chinzanso-tokyo.com/activities/</u>

In addition, Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo is currently offering various dining plans inspired by cherry blossoms in celebration of the cherry blossoms ("sakura" in Japanese) season. The hotel's majestic Japanese botanical garden is home to 120 cherry trees representing 20 species, making it one of Tokyo's best cherry blossom viewing spots. For more information, visit: <u>https://hotel-chinzanso-tokyo.jp/event/sakura_en/</u>

About Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo

Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo opened in January 2013, and is owned/managed by <u>Fujita Kanko Inc.</u>, a publiclytraded tourism industry corporation headquartered in Tokyo, which operates 70 properties/facilities throughout Japan including its five-star flagship, <u>Hotel Chinzanso Tokyo</u>.