

Nobel Laureate

Year Awarded	Recipient	Affiliation
1987	Hans Heinrich Rohrer	Visiting Professor, Institute for Materials Research; Honorary Doctor
1999	Ahmet H. Zewail	University Professor; Honorary Doctor
2002	Koichi Tanaka	Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Engineering; Honorary Doctor

Recipients of the Japan's Order of Culture / The Persons of Cultural Merit Award

Japan's Order of Culture honors significant contributions to the advancement or improvement of science, technology, the arts, or culture. The conferment ceremony held yearly on November 3rd (Culture Day) at the Imperial Palace, the Matsu-no-Ma State Room, and is awarded by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan. The Person of Cultural Merit Award is the second highest cultural honor in Japan in precedence only to the Japan's Order of Culture and is awarded to individuals who have made particularly notable achievements related to the development or refinement of culture.

Order of Culture (Year Awarded)	Persons of Cultural Merit Award	Recipient	Affiliation	Order of Culture (Year Awarded)	Persons of Cultural Merit Award	Recipient	Affiliation
1937	1951	Kotaro Honda	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1989	1983	Junichi Nishizawa	Research Institute of Electrical Communication
1944	1951	Kinjiro Okabe	Faculty of Engineering	2002	2002	Koichi Tanaka	School of Engineering; Honorary Doctor
1946		Kingo Miyabe	College of Agriculture	—	1954	Shonen Matsumura	College of Agriculture
1949	1951	Riko Majima	Faculty of Science	—	1958	Satomi Takahashi	Faculty of Law and Letters
1949	1951	Takematsu Okada	Faculty of Science	—	1959	Seiya Ito	College of Agriculture
1950	1951	Hajime Tanabe	Faculty of Science	—	1960	Yoshio Takeuchi	Faculty of Law and Letters
1950	1951	Bansui Tsuchii	Faculty of Law and Letters	—	1963	Ryuzaburo Hara	Research Institute for Non-Aqueous Solution
1952	1952	Taizo Kumagai	Research Institute for Tuberculosis and Leprosy	—	1965	Masaichi Majima	Faculty of Science
1953	1952	Hisakatsu Yabe	Faculty of Science	—	1970	Yasushi Watanabe	Research Institute of Electrical Communication
1953	1952	Hakuju Ui	Faculty of Law and Letters	—	1976	Tetsu Sakamura	College of Agriculture
1954	1954	Yusuke Hagihara	Faculty of Science	—	1976	Fukusaburo Numachi	Institute of High Speed Mechanics
1955	1955	Hakaru Masumoto	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	—	1978	Takeshi Takei	Faculty of Science
1956	1956	Takejiro Murakami	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	—	1985	Yensho Kanakura	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1956	1956	Hidetsugu Yagi	Faculty of Engineering	—	1986	Yorio Hinuma	School of Dentistry
1957	1953	Yoshio Yamada	Faculty of Law and Letters	—	1987	Shunichi Iwasaki	Research Institute of Electrical Communication
1958	1958	Tetsuo Nozoe	Faculty of Science	—	1992	Yunoshin Imai	Institute for Materials Research
1959	1959	Tomizo Yoshida	Faculty of Medicine	—	1992	Kinji Shimada	Faculty of Law and Letters
1964	1964	Seiji Kaya	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	—	1999	Koji Nakanishi	Faculty of Science
1965	1965	Shiro Akabori	Faculty of Science	—	2000	Takeo Yokobori	School of Engineering
1968	1968	Toshio Kurokawa	Faculty of Medicine	—	2000	Tsuyoshi Masumoto	Institute for Materials Research
1971	1971	Takuma Yasui	Faculty of Economics	—	2002	Donald Keene	Visiting Professor, Faculty of Arts and Letters; Honorary Doctor
1973	1962	Ken Ishihara	Faculty of Arts and Letters	—	2003	Yasuo Iwata	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1975	1975	Heisuke Hironaka	Faculty of Science	—	2003	Sumio Iijima	Research Institute for Scientific Measurements
1984	1979	Shinji Takahashi	Faculty of Medicine	—	2006	Hidesato Ito	Institute of High Speed Mechanics
1987	1979	Takeo Kuwabara	Faculty of Law and Letters				

Japan Academy Prize (Imperial Prize)

Of all the awards the Japan Academy presents, the Imperial Prize is particularly esteemed. A maximum of nine recipients are selected yearly for the Japan Academy Prize. Both the Imperial and Japan Academy Prizes were established in 1910 and from among the nine recipients, up to one in each of the program's two sections (Section I: Humanities and Social Sciences and Section II: Pure Sciences and Their Applications) is selected for the Imperial Prize. Recipients of the Imperial Prize receive a certificate and a vase presented as an imperial gift by His Majesty the Emperor of Japan.

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1918(8th)	Keita Shibata	College of Agriculture	1960(50th)	Osamu Takata	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1919(9th)	Jun Ishihara	Faculty of Science	1960(50th)	Tsugio Miya	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1921(11th)	Gennosuke Fuse	Faculty of Medicine	1977(67th)	Shinji Takahashi	Faculty of Medicine
1928(18th)	Soichi Kakeya	Faculty of Science	1982(72nd)	Shizuo Kakutani	Faculty of Science
1936(26th)	Tomizo Yoshida	Faculty of Medicine	1989(79th)	Yorio Hinuma	School of Dentistry
1941(31st)	Kinjiro Okabe	Faculty of Engineering	1990(80th)	Koji Nakanishi	Faculty of Science
1946(36th)	Hakaru Masumoto	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1994(84th)	Hideki Sakurai	Faculty of Science
1953(43rd)	Tomizo Yoshida	Faculty of Medicine	2002(92nd)	Sumio Iijima	Research Institute for Scientific Measurements
1957(47th)	Hajime Nakamura	Faculty of Arts and Letters	2004(94th)	Takeshi Yasumoto	Faculty of Agriculture

Japan Academy Prize

The Japan Academy is an honorary organization composed of scientists and academics who possess distinguished records of academic achievement. The Academy operates under the auspices of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology and initiates and conducts activities that contribute to scientific and academic progress, while providing benefits to its members. The Japan Academy awards prizes to persons who have achieved notable research or who have authored particularly outstanding academic papers or books. The prizes conferred by the Japan Academy are the most prestigious of Japan's Academic Awards.

Year Awarded	Recipient	Affiliation	Year Awarded	Recipient	Affiliation
1914 (4th)	Shirota Kusakabe	Faculty of Science	1942 (32nd)	Seiji Kaya	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals
1916 (6th)	Kotaro Honda	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1943 (33rd)	Gyokujo Kihara	Faculty of Medicine
1917 (7th)	Riko Majima	Faculty of Science	1944 (34th)	Munio Kotake	Faculty of Science
1919 (9th)	Koichi Ichikawa	College of Agriculture	1944 (34th)	Hiroshi Terao	Institute of Agricultural Research
1921 (11th)	Hikoshichiro Matsumoto	Faculty of Science	1947 (37th)	Masaichi Majima	Faculty of Science
1925 (15th)	Shinkishi Hatai	Faculty of Science	1950 (40th)	Fukusaburo Numachi	Institute of High Speed Mechanics
1927 (17th)	Takejiro Murakami	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1951 (41st)	Teizo Ogawa	Faculty of Medicine
1931 (21st)	Hakuju Ui	Faculty of Law and Letters	1952 (42nd)	Jitsusaburo Sameshima	Faculty of Science
1931 (21st)	Hakaru Masumoto	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1953 (43rd)	Yensho Kanakura	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1932 (22nd)	Shintaro Uda	Faculty of Engineering	1953 (43rd)	Tetsuo Nozoe	Faculty of Science
1933 (23rd)	Hiroshi Nomura	Faculty of Science	1953 (43rd)	Masao Naruse	Faculty of Engineering
1934 (24th)	Yoshiaki Tadokoro	Faculty of Science	1954 (44th)	Koichi Motokawa	Faculty of Medicine
1935 (25th)	Saburo Unno	Faculty of Science	1955 (45th)	Yensho Kanakura	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1936 (26th)	Toshio Hoshino	Faculty of Science	1955 (45th)	Ryujo Yamada	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1940 (30th)	Tario Kikuta	Provisional Institute of Physical and Chemical Research	1955 (45th)	Hakuyu Hadano	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1941 (31st)	Terutarō Ogata	Faculty of Science	1955 (45th)	Tokan Tada	Faculty of Arts and Letters

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1955 (45th)	Shiro Akabori	Faculty of Science	1980 (70th)	Tetsuji Kametani	Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences
1956 (46th)	Ichiro Hori	Faculty of Arts and Letters	1981 (71st)	Akira Kinoshita	Faculty of Economics
1957 (47th)	Yutaka Orimo	Faculty of Law	1982 (72nd)	Shizuo Kakutani	Faculty of Science
1959 (49th)	Osamu Takata	Faculty of Arts and Letters	1983 (73rd)	Tsuyoshi Masumoto	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals
1960 (50th)	Eizo Kanda	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1987 (77th)	Nakao Ishida	School of Medicine
1961 (51st)	Tomoo Sato	Faculty of Engineering	1987 (77th)	Shunichi Iwasaki	Research Institute of Electrical Communication
1961 (51st)	Eikichi Iso	College of Agriculture	1987 (77th)	Yoshikatsu Tsuboi	Faculty of Engineering
1963 (53rd)	Harujiro Sekiguchi	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1989 (79th)	Yorio Hinuma	School of Dentistry
1967 (57th)	Yunoshin Imai	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	1990 (80th)	Koji Nakanishi	Faculty of Science
1968 (58th)	Yoshio Kato	Faculty of Science	1990 (80th)	Hiroshi Tsuji	Faculty of Engineering
1968 (58th)	Makoto Kandatsu	Institute for Agricultural Research	1992 (82nd)	Hideji Suzuki	Institute for Materials Research
1969 (59th)	Mitsuo Miyata	Faculty of Law	1993 (83rd)	Hajime Yamamoto	School of Dentistry
1969 (59th)	Usaburo Mizushima	Faculty of Agriculture	1993 (83rd)	Keiya Tada	School of Medicine
1970 (60th)	Giichi Yamamoto	Faculty of Science	1993 (83rd)	Goro Kikuchi	Research Institute for Tuberculosis and Cancer
1970 (60th)	Heisuke Hironaka	Faculty of Science	1994 (84th)	Hideki Sakurai	Faculty of Science
1971 (61st)	Takeo Yokobori	Faculty of Engineering	1994 (84th)	Yasunari Maruyama	Faculty of Arts and Letters
1972 (62nd)	Kozo Okamoto	Faculty of Medicine	1998 (88th)	Takane Sugihara	Faculty of Law
1973 (63rd)	Zenji Nishiyama	Research Institute for Iron, Steel and other Metals	2002 (92nd)	Sumio Iijima	Research Institute for Scientific Measurements
1974 (64th)	Junichi Nishizawa	Research Institute of Electrical Communication	2002 (92nd)	Akihisa Inoue	Institute for Materials Research
1975 (65th)	Toshio Kitazumi	Faculty of Arts and Letters	2002 (92nd)	Kokichi Hinata	Faculty of Agriculture
1975 (65th)	Yoichi Higuchi	Faculty of Law	2003 (93rd)	Hiroshi Okamoto	Graduate School of Medicine
1975 (65th)	Hidesato Ito	Institute of High Speed Mechanics	2003 (93rd)	Makoto Endo	School of Medicine
1975 (65th)	Takashi Kubota	Faculty of Science	2004 (94th)	Takeshi Yasumoto	Faculty of Agriculture
1977 (67th)	Shinji Takahashi	Faculty of Medicine	2005 (95th)	Hideo Ohno	Research Institute of Electrical Communication
1977 (67th)	Kinji Shimada	Faculty of Law and Letters	2006 (96th)	Atsuto Suzuki	Graduate School of Science
1977 (67th)	Shunichi Akasofu	Faculty of Science	2007 (97th)	Koji Kato	Graduate School of Engineering
1979 (69th)	Taketoshi Sato	Faculty of Law and Letters	2007 (97th)	Asahiko Taira	Faculty of Science

Japan Academy Prize (Duke of Edinburgh Prize)

The Duke of Edinburgh Prize was adopted as a Japan Academy conferment in 1987 in honor of His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, an Honorary Fellow of the Japan Academy. This prize is awarded once every two years to an individual who has posted outstanding achievements in the area of wildlife protection and species preservation, to date there has been nine people presented with this award.

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1988	Makoto Numata	Institute for Agricultural Research
2002	Yasushi Kurihara	Faculty of Science