

## “European Wooden Toys

~ focusing on toys from Germany, Switzerland and Scandinavia”

from July 8 (Sat) to September 3 (Sun)

“Children learn about the world through toys” said Kurt Naef, the founder of the Swiss wooden toy maker. Sharing the passion for excellent toys, Meguro Museum of Art, Tokyo (MMAT) has collected many toys widely, hoping that not only children but also grown-ups can play with beautiful and good quality toys, while Atelier Niki Tiki Co., LTD. has been introducing excellent toys to Japan since its inception. MMAT and Niki Tiki have collaborated many times in organizing exhibitions to introduce their collections, and workshops/seminars related to the exhibitions. This Exhibition is another of such collaboration, exhibiting wooden toys from Europe to be enjoyed from three different perspectives; Seeing, Playing and Learning. We would be very pleased if your world of “Play with Hands and Think” can be expanded through this Exhibition.

**Seeing** – we exhibit more than 400 wooden toys under the theme of “Play with Hands, and Think” especially featuring the traditional wooden toys currently made in Europe, and introducing the unique toy making technique “Reifendrehen” from Erzgebirge, Germany.

**Playing** – we provide the special corner for the visitors to enjoy freely touching and playing with the wooden toys.

**Learning** – we carry out the demonstration of “Reifendrehen” by the master of the technique, Mr. Christian Werner, who actually creates various wooden toys in Seiffen, Germany, followingly.