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Interactive Rakuchu Rakugai-zu, Funaki Version
~ Educational Tool To Learn the Customs in Kyoto in 17th Century ~

3. Abstract
Rakuchu Rakugai-zu is a screen painting illustrating in and around Kyoto, which used to be painted
from 16th century until 17th century. As in the Funaki version of Rakuchu Rakugai-zu the everyday
lives of over 2000 people in Kyoto are vividly painted, the painting is a good educational tool to learn
their customs at that time. However, as it is difficult to understand the details of them without
background information, the role of museums is to provide enough information for deeper appreciation.
To resolve this, we carry out a collaborative project to develop the interactive Rakuchu Rakugai-zu,
Funaki version. As Kyoto University has lots of historical books regarding the customs of that era, we
identify closes and action of each person drawn in the painting and such information is linked to the
person in the painting. Toppan Printing digitized the painting with ultra-high resolution technology.
Also, they develop the technology to provide such information interactively using text or voice. Kyoto
Seika University develops present Funaki version including various manga characters to compare old
and present customs of people. Integrating these content and technology, we are developing the
Interactive Rakuchu Rakugai-zu, Funaki version that can be used as an educational tool.

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