

Press Information

Announcement of the 2023 Kyoto Prize Laureates

The Kyoto Prize 2023 goes to a basic scientist, to an advanced technologist and to a painter and video artist.

Kyoto/London, June 16th, 2023. The Inamori Foundation, established in 1984 by Kyocera founder Dr Kazuo Inamori, is pleased to announce the laureates of the 2023 Kyoto Prize, an international award presented to individuals who have contributed significantly to the scientific, cultural, and spiritual betterment of humankind.

Each laureate will receive a diploma, the Kyoto Prize medal (20K gold), and prize money of 100 million yen (currently approx. €685,000). This year's Prize goes to the following three individuals: Ryuzo Yanagimachi, Professor Emeritus at the University of Hawaii in Mānoa, Elliot H. Lieb, Professor Emeritus of Mathematical Sciences at Princeton University as well as Nalini Malani, a Painter and video artist from India.

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Advanced technology: Ryuzo Yanagimachi demonstrated a method for in vitro fertilization in mammals, expanded our insights into the fertilization process, and further established microinsemination technology by developing and innovating the intracytoplasmic sperm injection. He has made significant contributions to the development of essential assisted reproductive technologies in modern society through both basic research and technological development.

Basic sciences: Elliott H. Lieb primarily through his achievements in many-body physics, established a foundation for mathematical research in fields such as physics, chemistry, and quantum information science. His contributions to the development of mathematical analysis are significant as well. He is one of intellectual giants in the field of mathematical sciences.

Arts and philosophy: Nalini Malani has created phantasmagorical spaces with approachable art forms using various media such as videos, paintings, drawings, and installations, and pioneered artistic expression that brings the voices of the voiceless to more people. She is active globally as a non-Western artist, contributing greatly to current trends reconsidering Western-centrism in art.

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Ryuzo Yanagimachi



Elliott H. Lieb



Nalini Malani

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