



狩野亨吉自筆ハガキ(かのうこうきち じひつはがき Kano Kokichi Jihitsu Hagaki) Postcard written by Kokichi Kano

狩野亨吉(1865 - 1942) KANO Kokichi(1865 -1942)

1911 - 1919?(明治 44- 大正 8?) probably 1911 - 1919?

墨書・紙 ink on paper 縦 14.0cm× 横 8.9cm Length: 14.0 cm, Width: 8.9cm

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解説①explanation

狩野亨吉は秋田県大館市出身で、旧制第一高等学校長(東京大学などの前身)や京都帝国大学文科大学長(京都大学の前身)を務めた教育者です。このはがきは叔父の狩野旭峰(かのうきょくほう・ジャーナリスト・漢学者)に宛てたもので、贈られた書に対する御礼を述べたものです。ハガキの住所から、1911 年~1919年ころのものと考えらています。

Kokichi Kano was from Odate City, Akita Prefecture. He is an educator who served as president of Daiichi High School (predecessor of Tokyo University) and the president of Kyoto Imperial University (predecessor of Kyoto University). This postcard was addressed to his uncle, "KANO kyokuho" (journalist and Chinese scholar), and thanked him for the calligraphy he was given. Judging from the address of the postcard, it is considered to be around 1911 to 1919.

解説2explanation

狩野亨吉は江戸時代の思想家安藤昌益(あんどうしょうえき)や天文学者志筑忠雄(しづきただお)など、先人の業績を発掘し、世に広めました。文化人との交流も広く、夏目漱石の小説『我が輩は猫である』に登場する苦沙弥先生は亨吉がモデルとも言われています。

KANO Kokichi discovered the achievements of our predecessors, such as the Edo period thinker ANDO Shoeki and the astronomer SHIZUKI Tadao, and spread them to the world. He is said to be the model of Mr. Kushami who appears in NATSUME Soseki's novel "I am a cat", as he had a wide range of contacts with cultured society.