

On 9th September 2017, Friday evening, Za Ondekoza hit Taiko Japanese drums as a part of AS8 Opening Celebrations. The performance started with shime daiko, which were string-tightened drums, at the staircase of AS8. Oodaiko, which were big drums joined their rhythm at the foyer, and shinobue and shakuhachi flutes added colours to their rhythm. Then, male and female dancers dressed in kimono appeared with big fluffy ribbons from backsides of green plants. The kendama toy and furisode kimono enriched the entertainment. Two female students reading LAJ1201 Japanese 1 and LAJ2203 Japanese 4 walked along in beautiful formal furisode (long sleeved kimono). The one-hour performance fascinated all the audience, more than 200 people at steps and walkways of AS8 atrium.

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