· Hideo Dekura



Gender/Age: Male,63 years of age Country/Region:Sydney,Australia Current Position:

Japanese cuisine researcher (Grand master of Sydney Sijo Shinryu Style)

Achievements:

Mr. Dekura has been a pioneer of Japanese cuisine in Australia, managing a number of restaurants across the country since his arrival there in 1972. Now, as a cuisine researcher, he gives demonstrations and lectures on Japanese cuisine, offers a consultancy service and also writes about Japanese cuisine. As one event to mark the Australia-Japan Exchange Year in 2006, he performed the "Japanese knife ceremony", a ritual that preserves the traditions of Japanese cuisine to the present day. Through these activities, he has contributed greatly to the increased popularity of Japanese food culture in Australia. (Mr. Dekura is a Grand Master of the Sydney Shijo Shinryu School.)