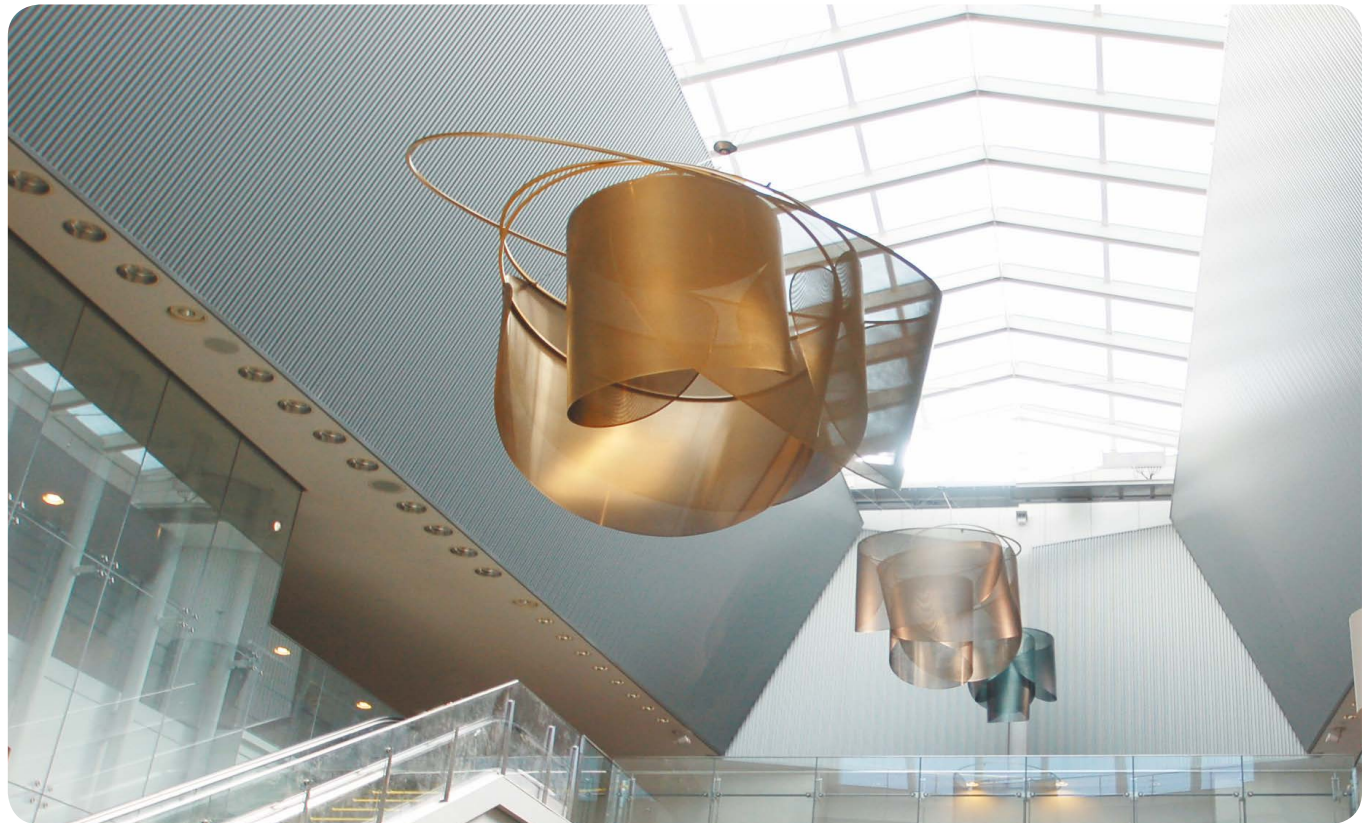


The Seasonal Flowers

Location: Tokyo, Japan

Artists: Naoya Sakagami and Art Associates Yat

The Seasonal Flowers (Toki-no-hana) are sculptures made from 400-micron 304 stainless steel sheets and are displayed in the South Wing of Terminal 1 of Tokyo International Airport to represent Japanese beauty. The work consists of three flowers signifying “crescent moon” “half moon” and “full moon” respectively as well as dancing flower petals imbedded in the glass siding. The unique Japanese beauty that attaches high values to such natural elements as flowers, birds, wind and moon is expressed with etched and colored sheets of stainless steel, a material commonly used in modern urban space and everyday life. This work is a result of a collaboration between artists and a number of steel engineers who have made full use of their technical capabilities. Their efforts have not only succeeded in bringing out the high quality of stainless steel, but also broadened the horizon of its designability. As the work is displayed in Tokyo International Airport for good exposure to a wide spectrum of people, it serves to elevate the image of stainless steel both at home and abroad.



Details

Environment:	indoor	Date of completion:	2006
Grade:	SUS304	Manufacturing company:	Sanwa Tajima
Surface:	BA and spattering (inside), BA half etching and spattering (outside)	Material supplier:	nisshin-steel.co.jp
		More information:	nisshin-steel.co.jp