

19th July, 2024

Dear Monica,

Thank you for your response. As for the condition of Utsushimi's works, fortunately there was no damage caused by the earthquake. It is one of the few pieces that was not damaged. The attached photo is a little old, but was taken at the end of January when I inspected the work myself. I conducted a lighting test at a later date and was able to confirm that the lights work without any problems.

However, there are cracks in the ground of the surrounding parking lot, and as mentioned in Mr. Kitagawa's letter, it will take some time to restore it.

The city of Suzu is going to light up the work soon during the night. We hope that this will be a hope for recovery.

Best regards,
Shimooka