

TSUNAMI RELIEF PRINT EDITION
Donald & Era Farnsworth: *Sacred Pine*

Sacred Pine depicts a pine tree in Rikuzentakata, Japan, a coastal city almost completely flattened by the tsunami following the 2011 Touhoku earthquake. Incredibly, this single pine was left standing from a grove of more than 70,000 trees planted along the shore three centuries ago; the tree has emerged as a symbol of hope and renewal in an otherwise devastated region.

Your purchase of *Sacred Pine* will help to fund **Direct Relief International's** rebuilding efforts in Japan and **Environment California**, whose efforts include work to shut down nuclear reactors along the West Coast – reactors which are unfortunately also located on fault lines.

PRICE

\$130, includes shipping within the continental US.*

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- **Direct Relief International** or
- **Environment California****

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Donald & Era Farnsworth - *Sacred Pine*, 2011 - Pigmented inkjet print on rag paper; 27 x 20.75 in. Signed open edition.

*The crisis in Japan is far from over;
it may be gone from the headlines,
but it is not gone from our hearts.*

Donald & Era Farnsworth

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COMPOSING SACRED PINE

The Farnsworths began their composition with the only likeness they could find of the tree: a blurry, low-resolution still from an online news video. The image was then meticulously composed both digitally and by hand, using the artists' signature mix of pixels, watercolor, and collage.

The Farnsworths have also incorporated a number of brief but poetic messages into *Sacred Pine*. In the days following the earthquake, internet users from all over the world left comments and messages of hope on the web page for the song "Ue wo muite arukou" (popularly known as "Sukiyaki" during the sixties in the US) by Kyuu Sakamoto, a song which served as a morale booster in Japan after the tsunami. The Farnsworths have combined some of these messages with notes from friends and family, which were then translated by Yasuyoshi Sakamoto and handwritten by his grandmother, Chieko Sakamoto, a skilled Japanese calligrapher.

The following fragments of messages are included in *Sacred Pine*:

Flexible. Live. Proof of miracles, promise of love.

柔軟。生きる。奇跡の証、受け継がれる愛。

- Rahna Reiko Rizzuto

Excellence, beauty, friendship.

卓絶。美しい友情。

- Anonymous commenter

To all Japanese people, keep looking up. We are all walking with you.

すべての日本人へ上を向き 続け行こう。共に歩いて行きます。

- Anonymous commenter

Love to all of our Japanese brothers and sisters during this difficult time.

この厳しい時間が流れている間一人ひとりに愛を。

- Anonymous commenter (Alabama, USA)

May the blessing of God be with all Japanese and wish Japan a fast recovery.

神の御加護がすべての日本人へ。そして早期復興を願います。

- Anonymous commenter (Sri Lanka)

We are all trees in the same forest. We stand with you.

私たちは同じ森に立つ木、々我々はあなたと共に栄える。

- Marc Hamaji



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