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2018 Autumn Conferment of Decoration

On November 3, 2018, the Government of Japan announced the foreign recipients of the 2018 Autumn Imperial Decorations. In Florida, Ms. Nancy E. Stroud was conferred *The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays*.

➤ **Ms. Nancy E. Stroud**

Decoration: The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays

Major Titles: Former President of the Board, Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens

Summary of Contributions: Developing and promoting Japanese art, culture, history, and garden culture in the United States

Ms. Nancy Stroud is an Attorney from Boca Raton, Florida. Having lived in Fukuoka, Japan with her family for part of her childhood, she developed a personal connection with Japan that she later fostered by joining the Board of Directors at the Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens.

From 1989 through 2012, Ms. Stroud held several important offices on the Board, including a four-year period as President from 1996 to 2000. Under her leadership, The Morikami, Inc. adopted its first one million dollar budget, underwent expansion of the Japanese gardens, developed a master planning process to provide vision and policies for future programs, and strengthened the Board membership and Board governance to more actively involve Board members in fundraising and policy initiatives.