

## **Kinokuniya to Open a New Store in Katy, Texas in June 2019**

Kinokuniya Book Stores of America Co., Ltd. will open a new store located in Katy, Texas on June 7th, 2019.

This Katy store will be the fourth store in the state of Texas, the 14th store in the United States, and the 32nd store overseas. The city of Katy is part of the greater Houston area, the second most populous metropolitan area in the state of Texas, and the fifth most populous area in the United States. Houston has been recognized as an economically developed city with a broad industrial base in energy, health care, and aeronautics. The thriving cultural arts scene, exemplified by many distinguished theaters and museums, makes Houston a truly global city. It is also home to some of the most established universities.

2019 marks the 50th anniversary for Kinokuniya Book Stores of America Co., Ltd. Since we opened our first store 50 years ago in San Francisco, our company has consistently grown and adapted to meet the needs of this ever-changing society. For Katy's store, we aim to bring back the experience of traditional bookstores while continuing to evolve the role bookstores play in communities. We aim to provide a space where people from different cultures and values can come together to share and stimulate their intellectual curiosities.

The new store will also feature a "Makerspace". This will be an area for conducting workshops, presentations, and lectures, aimed at providing interactive experiences that will allow customers to connect with people from different backgrounds, and establish new communities.

Our Japanese roots will bring a unique experience to the Katy store, providing a home for Japanese cultural experiences within the Greater Houston Metropolitan area. And, by absorbing the unique and diverse local culture of Houston, the Katy store will become a hub for universal experiences, products and people.

Kinokuniya Bookstore Katy  
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