

Monks and Nuns

Hokusai said:

"...until the age of seventy, nothing I drew was worthy of notice. At seventy-three years, I was somewhat able to fathom the growth of plants and trees, and the structure of birds, animals, insects and fish. Thus when I reach eighty years, I hope to have made increasing progress...."

-Hokusai

Martin's retirement from Waseda U. brought an end to our stay in Japan. From September 2023 onwards, we devoted our time to preparing for our return to England. I gave up painting canvasses temporarily. During this time, for distraction, I followed Hokusai's advice to draw, draw, draw. Between February and August, I covered a 50-paged sketchbook with drawings of monks and nuns.





