

Hiragana / onnade **(smoothed letters, 平仮名) / (woman's hand, 女手)**

The second poem of the *Kokin waka shû* in calligraphy attributed to Ki no Tsurayuki

*The summer springwater
once cupped with fingers interlocked
and arm-sleeves damped,
I wonder
will its wintry iciness loosen from today's spring breeze*

**Note the asymmetry and elegant, light touch of the calligraphy*

(light blue lettering are modern hiragana and are placed close and to the right of the letter in the calligraphy)

