

## Profile



# PRINCESS TENKO



Princess Tenko's debut was in Japan as a pop singer and actress.

Upon the death of Hikita Tenko, a famous escape artist and illusionist in Japan, Princess Tenko was chosen among his apprentices as the heir to his name.

Today, Tenko Hikita (II) is widely recognized by her stage name, Princess Tenko, and performs shows worldwide, averaging 300 shows per year.

In 1990, Princess Tenko was awarded *Magician of the Year* from the Academy of Magic and Sciences in the United States. Other renowned recipients of the award include David Copperfield, Doug Henning, and Siegfried and Roy.

Princess Tenko was the first female to receive *Magician of the Year* award. In 1995, Princess Tenko became the model for the heroine in the U.S. produced cartoon, *Tenko and the Guardian of the Magic*. Upon its introduction, the *Princess Tenko Doll* produced by Matel Corporation, the maker of Barbie dolls, sold millions in the U.S. market.



In the entertainment field, Princess Tenko directs and produces martial art combat events, TV programs and musical/theater productions. Her latest project is assisting in the production of an illusionist act for MA, a popular Japanese Pop music group. Princess Tenko has a private music label called Princess Tenko.

Over the years, she became a respected singer, photographer, designer and contemporary artist.

In the business field, Princess Tenko involves herself in investment projects through urban development and professional sports sponsorship. Some of her accomplished urban development projects include the planning and construction of several themed parks/resort hotels in Asia.

Since 2002, Princess Tenko has become an active sponsor for several professional sports team in Japan. She currently supports several professional soccer teams within Japan's J-League. The newest soccer league she supports includes VF Kofu which recently was promoted to J1 (Upper J-league), this season. Princess Tenko often appears on TV and Radio shows as a guest and is frequently featured in magazines and newspapers' articles.

**Attention : To protect the identity of Princess Tenko, her personal information is not available to the general public.**



