



Kashiwa Cross-cultural Center News

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To register, please sign up directly at the KCC office or e-mail KIRA with the name of the event, your name, and your telephone number.

○Be a part of the 35th anniversary trip to Chengde in Hebei Province of China

We will celebrate the 35th anniversary of the friendship-city agreement between Kashiwa and Chengde this autumn. A delegation from Kashiwa will visit Chengde to build relationships with the people from Chengde. They will also have to opportunity to meet the Mayor.

This is a special experience that is not available to people who normally travel to China on their own. After a welcome ceremony, the delegation will enjoy a trip to the Chengde Mountain Resort, a World Cultural Estate.

Duration of the trip: No.1 course: Wednesday, September 12th to Sunday 16th
(Chengde~Beijing)

No. 2 course: Wednesday, September 12th to Tuesday 18th
(Chengde~Beijin~Datong Mt.Wutai~Taiyuan~ Beijing)

Capacity: No.1 course: ten people, No. 2 course: 25 people

Cost: No.1 course: approximately ¥200,000 No.2 course: ¥290,000

Information Meeting: Sunday, July 15th, Palette Kashiwa All-Purpose Room A

From 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Application Period: Tuesday, July 17th to Wednesday, August 8th.

Eligible Applicants: people living, working, or attending school in Kashiwa

Information Meeting for Selected Participants: Sunday, August 19th, Palette Kashiwa D

From 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Organizer: NPO KIRA, with the support of Kashiwa and the People's Government of Chengde

For Registration or Additional Information, please contact Nijyuu-ichi Kokusai Travel Agency (Tel: 03-3660-0920, Fax: 03-3660-0930)

○Enjoy the KIRA performance at Kashiwa Festival.

Date: Afternoon of Sunday, July 29th

Place: Tekisuikan Kinen Bunka Shinkou Zaidan Stage (Tekisuikan Memorial Culture Promotion Foundation) on Sun-Sun Street

KIRA Japanese Class students will be dancing in traditional dress from around the world

No registration is necessary. Come directly to the venue.

Notice: The location is different from last year's.

○KIRAKIC Event

Have a look at various picture books from around the world.

Date: Thursday, August 2nd

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Place: Palette Kashiwa Open Space

Contents: Foreign residents will read picture books from all over the world in their original languages. It will be fun for both adults and children.

Fee: Free

No registration is necessary. Come directly to the Open Space.

○2018 Kashiwa Student Delegates to Camden Send-off Party

12 Kashiwa student delegates and 2 leaders will leave for a homestay trip in Camden, Australia on August 2nd and return on August 14th.

At that party, they will give speeches in English and demonstrate the dancing and singing performance that they will perform at the Camden Welcome Party.

Everybody is welcome to attend.

Come directly to the party. No registration is necessary.

Date: Thursday, August 2nd

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Shonan Community Center All-purpose Hall

Fee: Free

○Summer BBQ Party

Come and enjoy a barbeque party with KIRA members!

Everyone is welcome to attend!

Date: Sunday, August 19th

Time: 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Place: Mizushiro Kajuen (Mizushiro Orchard Garden)

Fee: Adults:1,000 yen, children 500 yen (elementary and junior high school students)

Additional details can be found in the August issue of KAWARABAN

○We need volunteer teachers to help foreign students.

Summer holidays are coming. Foreign students will need to help with their summer holiday homework. We welcome a wide variety of interested volunteers, from experienced teachers to students who are confident in communicating in foreign languages.

Date: Friday, August 24th

Time: 9:00 a.m. to noon

Place: Palette Kashiwa All-Purpose Room A

Capacity: several teachers

Languages: English, Chinese, Korean, etc.

Registration: Please come to the KCC office directly or send an e-mail to boshu-2@kira-kira.jp

○ **Dressing up in Yukata and Bon-Odori Dancing.**

Date: Tuesday, July 10th

Time: 10:00 a.m. to noon

Place: Palette Kashiwa All-Purpose Room B

Fee: 500 yen

Let's enjoy bon-dancing in yukata together.

We can prepare a yukata just for you. Please wear a T-shirt under the yukata.

Registration: From Monday, June 4th to Thursday, July 5th,

Please sign up at the KCC office or send an e-mail to boshu-2@kira-kira.jp

Please tell us your gender and size (LL or L or M) so we can prepare a yukata just for you.

○ **Free Legal Advice for Foreign Residents**

Lawyers and administrative procedure specialists will be available to help foreign residents with legal questions and documents.

We offer consultations for any question or problem, such as visa issues, domestic violence, divorce, or trouble at the work place.

Please register before coming.

Date: Thursday, July 25th

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Place: Palette Kashiwa Room C ,Booth

Registration: the KCC office

Information from other groups

○ **The Human Library**

Date: Sunday, July 8th

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Place: Palette Kashiwa, Open Space A & B

Contents: What is the 'Human Library'? A person plays the role of a book itself.

The book will share about its culture, experiences, and its own personality as it tells its story to the audience.

Fee: Free

Just come directly to the Open Space.

○ **2019 Japanese Speech Contest Project has started!**

The third Japanese speech contest by foreign residents will be held on Sunday, February 3rd, 2019. We need project members to help produce this Contest.

If you are interested in this contest, please join the first information meeting.

Date: Saturday, August 4th

Time: 3:00 p.m. to 4:50 p.m.

Place: Palette Kashiwa Kokusai Kouryu Space (International Exchange Space) A&B

Limited to KIRA Members

Information and registration: please send an e-mail to boshu-1@kira-kira.jp

○ **‘Translator as a Profession’ Workshop for KIRA Members**

The lecturer, Mr. Osawa, who is currently working for the US Embassy as a translator, will talk about his experiences—the joy and the hardships—in the world of translation.

He will also tell us how he usually prepares for each job. Mr. Osawa used to be a delegate to our sister-city, Torrance, in 1989.

Date: Sunday, July 22nd

Time: 9:00 a.m. to noon

Place: Palette Kashiwa Room D

Limited to KIRA Members

Fee: Free

Registration: By Saturday, July 14th, please sign up at the KCC office
or send an e-mail to boshu-1@kira-kira.jp.