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# Kashiwa International Festival 2021 (October, 24th) & International Exchange Week (October 25th - October 31st)

(Check out the fliers for more information.)

This year, you can virtually join the festival.

URL: https://www.kcc.kira-kira.jp/e.entrance

In addition, there will be live events which will also be broadcasted online.

### Live Event Program

(Apply for these events from the URL above)

11:00 Opening Ceremony

11:05- Talking Online with People in Our Sister & Friendship Cities

11:30 - Calligraphy Performance by Ms. Fumika Matsui

12:00- Music Concert with Mr. Kiyota & Mr.Hoshi

12:30 - Balloon Art

13:00- Erhu and Guqin (instruments from China) Concert

13:30 - Introducing Activities of Forein Residents

14:00- Lecture on How to Use "Furoshiki"

14:30-Introducing Japanese Traditional Performing Arts

15:00 - Pandemonium Improvisors (Band Performance)

15:30 - Peru Dancing

16:00 - Closing Ceremony

#### Kashiwa International Exchange Week

October 25th

The First Step for International Exchange

October 26th

Exhibition by Girl Scouts, Kashiwa UNESCO Association and Kashiwa International Relations Association October 27th

October 27th

Puppet Show Video "Little Red Riding Hood"

October 28th

★Refugee Seminar Online #1"Workshop on Accepting Refugees"

Online viewing: the first 30 people On-site: the first 10 people

October 29th

Exhibition by Girl Scout, Kashiwa UNESCO Association and Kashiwa International Relations Association October 30th

Introduction of Handmade Emergency Supplies by Girl Scouts

Exhibition "Introducing Activities of UNESCO Youth" Kashiwa UNESCO Association

★ Multicultural Coexistence Seminar "Problems Foreign Residents Have and How We Solve Them" (Limited to 10 people)

Everything above will be held at Pallet Kashiwa

#### October 31st

12:00- ★"Enjoy Japanese Cuisine by Fair Trading", Reitaku University

13:00- ★"4 Monsters in Guatemala", Kaichi International University

14:00- ★"Craft Making Experience", Girl Scouts

15:00- ★Refugee Seminar #2 "Refugees around Us and How We Cooperate with Them - Syria",

To participate in events with ★, go to KCC office or mail to "boshu-1@kira-kira.jp".

Please include your name, phone number, the date and the name of the event you would like to join.

TEL: 04-7157-0281 Kashiwa International Relations Association

### International Exchange of High Schools in Kashiwa II

We will continue to inform you of the result of the questionnaire.

- Q1 Please tell us about your international exchange programs.
- Q2 Are there any foreign students in your school? If so, which country are they from?
- Q3 Are you accepting returnees?
- Q4 Do you allocate a certain number to foreign students? Are there any foreign students who take a regular entrance examination?
- Q5 Do you have programs to support foreign students?

#### Nittaidai Kashiwa High School

A 1

- · We accept exchange students for both studying(Chinese) and sports(rugby,basketball,soccer)
- · Communicating online with schools in Korea by using UNESCO's program
- · Studying abroad experience in Japan
- A 2 11 Chinese, 3 Tongans, 1 Mongolian, and 1 Mari students
- A 3 We have been meaning to accept them, but no record so far.
- A 4 Yes. There are several foreign students enrolling in the regular exam.
- A 5 They get help with their Japanese.

### Reitaku Senior High School

A 1

- · Communicating online with schools around the world by using UNESCO's program
- · Outsourcing the support to interact with foreign students in Japan
- · We have overseas language training program during holidays
- <Canada>

Students stay with their host families for 2 weeks to experience life in Canada. There are sightseeing and activities which make learning English lively.

<Christmas Holiday Program>

Students can choose one country from US, Canada, Finland to stay during the Christmas and the New Year holiday. This program aims to understand other cultures and broaden their perspective.

<Thai Study Tour>

Students visit Mae Kok Foundation in Thailand. In this facility, there are children who became unable to live with their parents. The facility helps those children become independent. Students get the opportunity to learn about the problems around the world.

\*These programs will be changed according to the status of the world.

A 2 students from New Zealand

A 3 Yes

A 4 No. There are foreign students enrolling in the regular exam.

A 5 Japanese lessons are given by collaboration of foreign and Japanese teachers.



Homeroom by ALT in Reitaku High School

### **Food Bank KCC for Foreign Residents**

Date: October 31st, Sunday 9:30-11:30

Location: Pallet Kashiwa Multi-Purpose Space A

Food to Be Distributed for Free: Canned food,

noodles, water, snacks etc...

\*We will finish when the foods run out.

\*Bring your own shopping bag please.

Inquiry: KCC office

Next Schedule: November 28th, Sunday

### International Exchange of High Schools in Kashiwa II

### Clerk Memorial International High School Kashiwa Campus

A 1 Language training in Australia or Hawaii (The shortest should be 3 weeks and the longest should be more than 2 years. No regulation for student's English level, but we partially have one with EIKEN.)

A 2 N/A

A 3 We used to have ones, though there's no special openings.

A 4 There are no special openings but there are students who take the exam.

A 5 Nothing in particular

#### Kashiwa Central High School

A 1 Students can work on group activity with ALTs in English studying programs. In August, they talked about where their ALTs from and the place they want to take their ALTs.

A 2 No.

A 3 There are special openings for returnees.

A 4 We accept some enrollments of foreign students although there is no one takes our regular exam.

A 5 No.

### Kashiwa Minami High School

A 1 · Short exchanging programs in Australia (It was cancelled due to the pandemic.)

• Empowerment program. Students discuss in English with foreign students in Japanese universities to improve their ability to express themselves and cultivate their global mind.

A 2 No

A 3 Regular exams

A 4 No

A 5 No for now

### Ryutsu Keizai University Kashiwa High School

A 1 • Exchanging program with a school in Lyon, France.

· Language summer school during vacation.

(It was cancelled due to the pandemic.)

A 2 1 student (Fiji)

A 3 We accept them case by case

A 4 No

A 5 We have Japanese lessons for those who stay with us for a short time.

### Nishogakusha University Kashiwa Senior High School

A 1 Internal students, students in the global course and those who wish to join from the advanced course have lectures about "Global Studies" twice a week. We have several exchanging programs especially in Australia and in Taiwan.

 $\bigcirc$  No

3 Yes

4 We accept them although we don't have special openings.

5 Nothing in particular



### We are looking for participants for

### The 6th Japanese Speech Contest by Foreign Residents in Kashiwa!

Dear those who live in the Tokatsu area! We are holding the Japanese speech contest again this year.

We are waiting for you to participate and talk about how you feel about living in Japan.

Date: February 13th, 2022, Sunday 1pm-4pm

Place: Pallet Kashiwa

Requirements: About 15 Foreign residents, workers and students in the Tokatsu area. You have to

be non-native to Japanese.

Application Form: Pick up from KCC office or download it from our website.

Awards: Mayor Award, KIRA President Award, 2 Special Awards, and participation prizes for those

who participated but doesn't get an award.

For infection control, we have the following restrictions.

• There'll be a limited number of people who can enter the venue.

• The contest will be streamed live for those who can't visit the venue.

The detailed information will be announced on our website.

Application Deadline: November 30th, Tuesday

By mail: 277-0005 Kahiwa 1-7-301 Kashiwa-shi Kokusai Koryu Center

By email: <u>boshu-1@kira-kira.jp</u>

By bringing the form: Come to the reception of KCC office

Inquiry: KCC 04-7157-0281



\*Should we have more participants than we can accept, we would have to choose about 15 of them.

The result will be sent by email by December 17.

### **Volunteering at Tokyo Olympic - II**

Akihisa Masubuchi (Former delegates to Chengde, China)

I immediately made up my mind to volunteer in the Olympics. The wonderful hospitality I received during the exchanging program in China has a huge impact on this decision.

I was in charge of escorting the VIPs at the Narita Airport for both departure and arrival. After they arrived, they took PCR checks. Then, I led them to the immigration, quarantine station, customs, and their vehicle. I took the VIPs from the boarding area to the security checkpoint.

When I applied for volunteering in 2018, I was in China studying abroad. Therefore, I had to join those interviews and training held for applicants only online without meeting my colleagues. It made me feel impatient for the Olympics more and more.

The most memorable service for me was that I escorted one of the VIPs from China.

When I talked to him in Chinese, the person with an air of dignity talked to me very kindly, which made me relaxed. This experience also gave me confidence in my Chinese. Although it was postponed one year due to the pandemic, it became one of the great experiences of my life.



Mr. Masubuchi, 2nd one from the left

# **OCTOBER Events**

### Japanese Classes

#### Online Classes

Thurs 10:00 - 11:30 Japanese Intermediate and up

Sun 10:00 - 11:30

Beginning I, Intermediate I (2 classes)

#### In Person Classes

Thurs 10:00 - 12:00

Intermediate I at Shonan Community Center

### Online Japanese Kashiwa Classes

Tue 10:00 - 11:30

Japanese for all Beginning II (1st of the 28 lessons)

Tue 19:00 - 20:30

Japanese for all Beginning I (1st of the 14 lessons)

Wed 10:00 - 11:30

Japanese intermediate and up

Wed 19:00 - 20:30

Japanese for all Beginning I (1st of the 8 lessons)

Thurs 10:00 - 11:30

Beginning Conversation I (Beginner, Beginning 1)

Thurs 13:00 - 14:30

Beginning Conversation 2 (Beginning 2)

Fri 19:00 - 20:30

Japanese for all Beginning II (1st of the 36 lessons)

Sat 9:30 - 11:20

Intermediate Conversation

# Information about COVID-19 for foreign residents

Available in multiple languages



#### Notice from Other Group

Online Studying Meeting for KIRA member Date & Time: Thursday,October 21st, 8:00pm-

9:10pm

Study Title: Easy Japanese # 4 "How to write

instructions and make posters in easy

Japanese"

Lecturer: Tomoe Uchida (Instructor of Easy

Japanese) Fee: Free Capacity: 25

Apply at KCC office or send your name and phone number to <a href="mailto:boshu-1@kirakira.jp">boshu-1@kirakira.jp</a>. We will provide you with necessary class

information.

## Free legal advice and administrative procedure support for foreign residents

Lawyers and administrative procedure specialists will be available to help foreign residents with legal questions and documents. Any questions or problems are all right, such as visa, domestic violence, divorce, or trouble at the workplace. Please register beforehand.

Date and Time: Oct 27 (WED) 13:00 - 17:00

Place: Palette Kashiwa

Reservation: KCC (Kashiwa Cross-cultural

Center) Office

#### Kashiwa information delivery service

Sign up to receive email announcements from the city, such as information about earthquakes, fires, crime, and infectious disease outbreaks in the language of your choice. Send a blank email to this address to register.



Also, please read Kashiwa City Magazine. It contains information about COVID-19 vaccination.



Questions? Please contact the office of Kashiwa Cross-cultural Center (KCC) Tel: 04-7157-0281 Fax: 04-7165-7321

Hours: 8:30 - 17:15 Closed on Sundays and national holidays