

Would you come and listen to "The Japanese Speech Contest for foreign nationals"?

Foreign residents working or studying in and near Matsudo City will deliver speeches in Japanese to express what they felt, experienced, or being impressed in Japan and convey their thoughts to the audience.

Date & Time:	: Saturday, February 15, 2020, 1:00 p.m 5:00 p.m.
Venue:	Matsudo Citizen's Theater (Shimin-Gekijo)
	(a 5-minute walk from West Exit of Matsudo Station)
Activities:	The speeches by the foreign nationals in Japanese.
	After the contest, some entertainment will be performed
	A get-together party including the audience is also
	scheduled.
Cost:	Free of charge.
	No advanced registration is required.



MIEA World Tour: Japanese Cultural Learning experience IKEBABA - Let's express your feelings through a Flower Arrangement!

 Date & Time: Thursday, February 13, 2020, 1:00p.m.- 3:00p.m.
Venue: Matsudo Citizen's Hall (Shimin-Kaikan) Room 201 (a 5-minute walk from East Exit of Matsudo Station)
Activities: Both beginners and experienced persons will enjoy the culture together. IKEBANA is the spatial expression and sense peculiar to Japanese art. You will be able to express your feelings on the flowers.
Instructor: Ms. Sogyoku Imamura
(First Grade Teacher *RIJI* of Sogetsu School of Ikebana, and Adviser of Flower Education)
Entrance: 1,500 yen (MIEA member) and 2,000 yen (non-member)

Max. Participants: 20 people (priority given to MIEA members)

Things to bring: a pair of shears (scissors) for gardening, newspaper, dust cloth, and writing tools



Japanese Language Course for Beginners (the 3rd term)

If you know anybody from abroad having difficulty communicating in Japanese, this is valuable news to share with them. Those who want to attend the lessons are kindly requested to submit the application to MIEA in advance. "Beginner I "classes on Tuesdays and Saturdays are most popular, and early registration will be recommended.

• Eligibility:

MIEA members who were born before April 1, 2004, age 15 years old and over (junior high school students are excluded), and paid MIEA member fee 1,000yen for fiscal year 2019.

• Tuition Fee: 1,000 yen per class per term

*Please contact MIEA office for further details of each course and level.

• Subsidy of Childcare fee for the participants

The students of the Japanese Language Course who require on-site day care for their children during the lesson might be able to receive a subsidy.

Application to MIEA in advance is required.

Only the first 10 applications will be accepted.

Level	Class	Day	Time	Duration	Venue
Beginner I	[Japanese for Everyone I]	Tuesday	10:10 - 12:10	Jan.7 - Mar.10	А
	[Japanese for Everyone I]	Tuesday	18:45 - 20:45	Jan.7 - Mar.10	В
	[Japanese for Everyone I]	Friday	12:30 - 14:30	Jan.10 - Mar.13	С
	[Japanese for Everyone I]	Saturday	10:10 - 12:10	Jan. 11 - Mar.14	С
Beginner II	\llbracket Japanese for Everyone II \rrbracket	Tuesday	12:30 - 14:30	Jan. 7 - Mar.10	А
	[Japanese for Everyone II]	Friday	10:10 - 12:10	Jan.10 - Mar.13	С
	『Weekly J 』	Tuesday	18:45 - 20:45	Jan.7 - Mar.10	В
	『Weekly J 』	Saturday	12:20 - 14:20	Jan.11- Mar.14	С
Pre-Intermediate	Pre-Intermediate	Wednesday	13:00 - 15:00	Jan.15 - Mar.11	D
Kanji/ Chinese character	Basic Kanji for foreigners	Tuesday	18:45 - 20:45	Jan.7 - Mar.10	В
	Basic Kanji for foreigners	Thursday	10:10 - 12:10	Jan.9 - Mar.12	D
	Basic Kanji for foreigners	Saturday	14:30 - 16:30	Jan.11 - Mar.14	С
All Levels	Japanese Plaza (Conversation)	Thursday	13:30 - 15:30	Jan.19 - Mar.12	D

Venues:

A: Matsudo City Tourism Association, 2nd floor

7-3, Honcho, Matsudo City (a 5-minute walk from West Exit of Matsudo Station) B: Akira Citizen's Center, 2nd floor

3018-1, Kamihongo, Matsudo City

(a 6-minute walk from North Exit of Kamihongo Station, Shin-Keisei Line)

C: Matsudo Chamber of Commerce Annex, 1st floor

2060 Matsudo, Matsudo City (a 7-minute walk from West Exit of Matsudo Station) D: Future Center

4th floor, Matsudo Bldg., 1307-1 Matsudo, Matsudo City (a 5-minute walk from West Exit of Matsudo Station)



Recruiting volunteer Interpreters/Translators and Host Family

MIEA is recruiting volunteer interpreters & translators, with a special need in Korean, Spanish, Chinese and Vietnamese, and host family among MIEA members. Should you be interested in those activities, please get in touch with MIEA office. Your cooperation will be welcome.

*Registration is limited to MIEA members. (registration form is available at MIEA office.)

* Application or enquiry relating to the events below shall be made directly to each organizer.

Study session during Winter Holidays for the children of foreign backgrounds who are aiming for admission to senior high school

Date & Time: December 24 (Tue.) to 27 (Fri.), January 4 (Sat.) and 5 (Sun.) (6 days) 1:00p.m. to 3:00p.m.

Venue:Matsudo Higashi-guchi Kaikan (20-58, Konemoto, Matsudo City)Target Student:3rd grade JHS (Foreign nationals or born/grew up overseas)Enrollment:20 students

Cost: 1,500 yen

Information

Application and enquiry:

Authorized NPO "Educational Support for Children from Overseas (ESCO)" Ms. Misako Ebina Tel/Fax: 047-345-2051 E-mail: gaikokukodomo@msn.com



Multicultural Exchange Festival

The Festival programs will provide an opportunity for both children and adults to experience traditional arts, song, dance, musical instrument and a fashion show of native costumes from around the world. **Date & Time:** Saturday, March 21, 2020

	1:30p.m 3:30p.m. (Performances)
	3:30p.m 4:30p.m. (a cultural exchange party with cuisine from around the world)
Venue:	Matsudo Citizen's Theater (Shimin-Gekijo)
	(a 5-minute walk from West Exit of Matsudo Station)
Participating	nations & areas:
	Nepal, Peru, Thailand, Vietnam, Russia, U.K., U.S.A. China, Sri Lanka, Japan and
	others
Cost:	Free of Charge
	(Or, 500 yen if you participate in the cultural exchange meeting, for first 30 persons)
Hosted by:	International Exchange Association California Club,
	Kawarazuka-minamiyama Chibikko Ouendan (Supporters for kids),
	Casablanca Club
Contact:	Ms. Ikuyo Iwao, California Club (Tel: 080-5434-0180, 047-391-6545)
Supporters:	
	Matsudo International Exchange Association
	Kawarazuka-minamiyama Jichikai (residents association)
	China-Japan Friendship Association, Matsudo







Recruitment of Japanese language instructors for elementary school and junior high school students in Matsudo (particularly for Japanese-Tagalog or Japanese - Chinese Bilingual)



Appointment period: Until March 31, 2020 (Recruit for next fiscal year will be announced later.) **Dispatch area:** Elementary schools and junior high schools in Matsudo City **Dispatch date:** 1 - 3 days a week

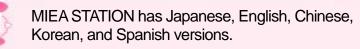
Dispatch date: 1 - 3 days a week

(determined depending on the actual circumstances of pupils and students at dispatch destination)

Hourly payment: 2,020 yen per hour

Transportation expenses: paid

Contact: Guidance Division, Board of Education, Matsudo City (Tel: 047-366-7458) **Qualification required:** Applicants are requested to speak Japanese language at an advance level.



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Ads spot open !

Please contact MIEA for further information.

Tel: 047-366-7310



We wish you a Happy New Year 2020





