



Miyazaki International Foundation

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## The 15th Miyazaki Mini International Festival ~Friends of the World~

This year, we will be holding a scale-down version, named Mini International Festival, to prevent the spread of COVID-19. There will be an art festival, mini lectures on international culture, a photographic history of the Miyazaki International Foundation, and an exhibit on of the world's ethnic costumes.

©Plaza Holiday Closing

The Miyazaki International Plaza will be closed on November 3rd (Tue).



### «History of the Miyazaki International Foundation»

It has been 30 years since the establishment of MIF. We will show some pictures and look back on long history of our foundation, while expressing our gratitude to our patrons.



### «National Costume Exhibition»

We will introduce some of the national costumes that are exhibited monthly at the International Plaza. Take a look at the different colors, shapes and materials in each country's national dress!



### «15th Annual Art Festival "Miyazaki From the Outside Looking in" Art Gallery»

Featured works have been made in the theme of "Miyazaki" by people from overseas living in Miyazaki. Vote for your favorite!

◇Display period: Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> (Wed) to Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> (Sat)  
10:00 am—7:00 pm



◇Venue: CARINO Miyazaki B1

◇Awards: Prize and certificates will awarded to the top pieces chosen by visitors.

### «JICA International Cooperation Booth»

- Exhibition on SDGs
- Introduction to the Miyazaki Prefecture JICA Family (Miyazaki Prefecture JOCV Supporter's Association, Alumni Association, Miyazaki Prefecture JICA Experts Association)
- World Craft: Try your hand at making covered buttons out of fabric scraps from around the world!
- Cooperator Navi (Discussions with JICA volunteers) etc.

◇Time: 10:00 am - 5:00pm



### Japanese Speech Contest for Foreign Residents

People from overseas who live in Miyazaki prefecture will give speeches with the theme of "Japan and I".

◇Date: Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>(Sat)

◇Venue: CARINO Miyazaki B1

◇Time: 1:00 pm

◇Award ceremony: 2:45 pm



◇Important notice: This year, we restrict admission to the event in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We will distribute invitation tickets to each speakers, only people with invitation tickets will be allowed to enter the venue. The event will be streamed live on Facebook, so those who cannot enter the event are invited to watch.

### Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> (Sat) Carino Miyazaki, B1F

#### «Mini Lecture on International Culture»

We will invite lecturers from three countries to this event.

- Mini Lecture on International Culture 1  
Regarding Vietnamese Fashion 10:30 am-11:30 am
- Mini lecture on International Culture 2  
Regarding Chinese Music 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
- Mini Lecture on International Culture 3  
Regarding Danish Food & Cuisine 2:45 pm-3:45 pm



※Free admission. Registration required for Mini Lecture on International Culture (Vietnam, China and Denmark).

◇Venue: Carino Miyazaki, B1F, Conference Room B

◇Limit: 15 pax per mini lecture  
(When we are oversubscribed, there will be a draw.)

◇Target: Japanese and foreign residents of Miyazaki Prefecture

◇To Apply: Please provide us with your ①Name ② Contact Information (address, phone number, e-mail) ③ Country of choice (up to 2 choices) via phone, fax, email or in person. Successful applicants will be notified via post.

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation



### Elementary Japanese Language Course for Foreign Residents (Evening Class) \*Registration Required

We will hold a beginner level 2 Japanese course for foreign residents in the evenings.

◇Date & Time: Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>(Thu) to Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> (Tue)  
\*No classes on 12/24(Thu), 12/29(Tue), 12/31(Thu),  
1/5(Tue), 2/11(Thu)  
Every Tuesday and Thursday (25 sessions in total)  
6:20 pm - 8:10 pm

◇Venue: MSG Building 10  
(1-3-3 Oimatsu, Miyazaki-city)

◇Target: People who can read hiragana and katakana. People who have completed the Japanese Language Course for Foreign Residents, Elementary 1.

◇Course Fee: FREE

◇Course Materials Fee: ¥2,376 (tax included)

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation

## Japanese Practice Sessions

**\*FREE, No Registration Required**

◇**Dates & Times:** [Wed] 11/4, 11/11, 11/18, 11/25  
[Fri] 11/6, 11/13, 11/20, 11/27  
10:30 am - 11:30 am

◇**Venue:** CARINO Miyazaki B1 Floor

◇**Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation



## Japanese Language and Exchange Class in Kawaminami and Nichinan.

**\*Registration Required, Free**

Learn Japanese phrases for use in daily life!



<Kawaminami>

◇**Dates & Time:** Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>(Sat) 1:30 pm-3:30 pm

◇**Venue:** Kawaminami shōgai gakushū sentā

◇**Space Available:** 15(First come first served)

◇**Target Audience:** People from overseas living in Kawaminami Town and around who would like to learn essential Japanese for daily life while interacting with local people.

◇**How to Apply:** Please send us your name, phone number, nationality and Japanese language level by fax or email.

◇**Deadline:** Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>(Mon)

◇**Inquiries & Application:** Miyazaki International Foundation

<Nichinan>

◇**Dates & Time:** November 28<sup>th</sup>(Sat) 1:30 pm-3:30 pm

◇**Venue:** Nichinan shōgai gakushū sentā – “Manabi-pia”

◇**Space Available:** 15(If there are more applicants than spaces, we will choose participants at random.)

◇**Target Audience:** People from overseas living in South of Miyazaki Prefecture who would like to learn essential Japanese for daily life while interacting with local people.

◇**How to Apply:** Please send us your name, phone number, nationality and Japanese language level by fax or email.

◇**Deadline:** Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>(Fri)

◇**Inquiries & Application:** Miyazaki International Foundation

## Intercultural Exchange Workshop

There will be an activity corner where visitors can learn about the cultures of the United Kingdom, Canada, Germany and Italy. We look forward to seeing you there!

◇**Date & Time:** Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> (Sun) 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

◇**Venue:** Aeon Mall, Miyazaki City



## Daily Life Consultations for Foreign Residents Chinese & Korean

Consultations are available in Chinese and Korean about any problems in your life. \*Reservation required. (Appointments are available on the day.)

◇**Date & Time:** Chinese Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> (Sat) 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Korean Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> (Sat) 10:00 am - 12:00 am

◇**Venue:** Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

◇**Spaces Available :** 4

## Daily Life Consultations for Foreign Residents in NICHINAN

Staffs will be available for consultations concerning everyday difficulties. You can consult with us in your native language.

(We may use machine translation and phone interpreting services for consultations.)

Consultations are strictly confidential.

◇**Date & Time:** Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> (Sat) 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

◇**Venue:** Nichinan shōgai gakushū sentā – “Manabi-pia”

◇**How to Apply:** Please make an appointment by e-mail or FAX by Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> (Sat) and let us know your name, phone number, a brief description of your matter and your language.

◇**Inquiries & Application:**

Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

TEL: 0985-41-5901 FAX: 0985-41-5902

E-mail: support@mif.or.jp



## Announcements from other organization <Kiyotake-Cho> Kiyotake de English

Please wear a mask.

Drinks are not being served in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Please bring your own drinks.

◇**Date & Time:** Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> (Thu) 10:00 am - 11:30 pm

◇**Venue:** Kano Community Center (Study room)

◇**Hall address:** Miyazaki City, Kiyotake-cho, Kano otsu 1047

◇**Space Available:** 15

◇**Fee:** members=¥300, non-members=¥500

◇**Participants should be:** High level School age or older, and able to speak conversational English.

◇**Inquiries:** Kiyotake International Association



## An Englishman in Miyazaki

“1.21 Gigawatts?!”



Miyazaki Prefecture CIR  
Marsh Graham

Hi everyone! I hope you're all keeping well. Some of you might have guessed from the title, but I wanted to write this month's column to celebrate the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of one of my very favorite movies: Back To The Future! In the film, “Doc” Emmett Brown calls his friend Marty McFly to record a demonstration of his latest invention – a time machine built out of a 1982 DMC DeLorean! Marty winds up travelling back in time to the day Doc Brown first invented time travel – November 5<sup>th</sup>, 1955 – and the film trilogy follows his journey to get back to the present, via the future and the more distant past, without erasing himself or anyone else from existence, creating a paradox or destroying the universe. The basic premise of the story, however, is that our destiny is not set in stone, and that if you put your mind to it, you can accomplish anything. As the man himself says; “Your future is whatever you make it. So, make it a good one!” Words to live by. Take care, and see you in the future! Or maybe the past...

