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Open: Tuesdays to Saturdays, 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Closed: Sundays, Mondays, National Holidays and December 29 to January 3

◎ Plaza Holiday Closing

The Miyazaki International Plaza will be closed on August 11th (Fri).

Japanese Practice Sessions *Free, No Registration Required



◇ Dates & Times:

[Wednesday] 10:30am - 11:30am 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30
[Friday] 10:30am - 11:30am 8/4, 8/18, 8/25

◇ Venue: CARINO Miyazaki B1F

◇ Inquiries: Miyazaki International Foundation

Kirari - Japanese Language Salon in Shintomi *Free, Registration Required

Have fun practicing your Japanese with local residents!

◇ Theme: Learn Japanese through song

◇ Date & Time: August 20th (Sun) 10:00am - 12:00pm

◇ Venue: Shintomi Town General Cultural Exchange Center Kirari

◇ Spaces Available: 15 ◇ Fee: Free

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

◇ Application Deadline: August 13th (Sun)

◇ Inquiries & Application:

Shintomi Town General Policy Division
Email: hamamoto-947@town.shintomi.lg.jp

Mimata Nihon-Go (Japanese Language Class) *Free, Registration Required

Have fun practicing your Japanese with local residents!

◇ Theme: Disaster management

◇ Date & Time: September 10th (Sun) 1:00pm - 3:00pm◇ Venue: Mimata Town 3rd District Annex
(1494-1 Miyamura, Mimata Town)

◇ Spaces Available: 10

◇ Fee: Free

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

◇ Inquiries & Application: Chikyujin Base

Email: chikyujin.base@gmail.com



International Understanding Lecture South Korea *Free, Registration Required

Ms. Yang Haejeong from South Korea will be invited as a lecturer to talk about the mysteries of Korean culture, which is attracting attention from all over the world, from multiple perspectives. Using this as a reference, you will be asked to think about how to improve Miyazaki's image together and share your ideas. (The talk will be in Japanese.)

◇ Date & Time: August 19th (Sat) 2:00pm - 4:00pm

◇ Venue: CARINO Miyazaki B1F Meeting Room

◇ Lecturer: Ms. Haejeong Yang (CIR)

◇ Spaces Available: About 15 (Students will be given priority. First-come, first-served) ◇ Fee: Free

◇ To Apply: Please let us know your name, address, phone number and the name of your school by phone, fax, email or in person. ◇ Application Deadline: August 5th (Sat)

◇ Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation



Talk with the CIRs ♪ *Free, Registration Required

★ A chat with Yu Ding from Singapore

◇ Date & Time: ① August 8th (Tue) 3:00pm - 4:00pm
(Japanese & English)② August 8th (Tue) 6:00pm - 7:00pm
(Japanese & Chinese)

*① Priority will be given to students.

◇ Application Deadline: August 1st (Tue)

★ A chat with Haejeong from South Korea (Japanese & Korean)

◇ Date & Time: August 17th (Thu) 15:00pm - 16:00pm

*Priority will be given to students.

◇ Application Deadline: August 9th (Wed)

★ A chat with Eilidh from the U.K. (Japanese & English)

◇ Date & Time: ① August 25th (Fri) 3:00pm - 4:00pm② August 25th (Fri) 6:00pm - 7:00pm

*① Priority will be given to students.

◇ Application Deadline: ①② August 18th (Fri)

◇ Venue: CARINO Miyazaki B1 Miyazaki International Plaza

◇ Spaces Available: 4 (Priority will be given to people who have participated less frequently)

*We accept applications by phone, email or in person.

◇ Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation

18th Annual Art Festival Exhibition "Miyazaki-From the Outside Looking in" Now Accepting Entries!



We are now collecting entries in the categories of photography, calligraphy, paintings & drawings, handicrafts from foreign residents and citizens with roots overseas for this year's art festival.

◇ Submission Requirements:

In principle, individuals submitting entries to the gallery should be foreigners living in Miyazaki or individuals with roots in a foreign country.

◇ Theme: "Miyazaki"

◇ Divisions: Photography, Paintings/Drawings,
Calligraphy, Hand made Crafts (Except Videos)

◇ Submission Limit: Up to 2 entries per person in each division

◇ Size: Up to 50 cm by 50 cm

◇ Submission Deadline: October 13th (Fri)

◇ Submission Method: Submit by post, in person, or by E-mail. When submitting an entry, please attach an application form to your art piece. The application form should include your name (with furigana), home country, contact information, the title of your entry, a 50 word or less description of your entry, and a specification of the division of your piece.

◇ Where to Submit: Miyazaki International Foundation

◇ Display Period: November 1st (Wed) to November 16th (Thu)
10:00am-7:00pm

*Closed: Sundays, Mondays, National Holidays

◇ Entries will be displayed at: Carino Miyazaki B1F

◇ Awards: Prizes and certificates will be awarded to the top pieces as chosen by visitors.

*Participation prizes will be given to those who submit their works.

◇ Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation

Miyazaki International Plaza Counter Volunteer Recruitment

We are currently looking for volunteers from within Miyazaki Prefecture, 18 years of age or older, to work at the front counter of the Miyazaki International Plaza and assist Plaza staff. To apply, interested parties should submit a completed application form by 9/2 (Sat).

*Nationality will not play a role in choosing applicants. However, volunteers are expected to speak some basic Japanese.

◇Volunteer Period:

October 3rd (Tue), 2023 to March 30th (Sat), 2024

◇Volunteer Time:

One day a week from Tue to Sat from;

A. 10:15 am - 12:45 pm B. 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Volunteers will work on the same day and during the same time period from week to week.

◇Tasks: Assisting Plaza visitors, assist in lending out and checking in library materials sending out documents, organizing library materials, arranging and forwarding used stamps, etc.

◇Other: Volunteer's insurance will be covered by the International Foundation. and parking vouchers will be issued to volunteers making use of the CARINO Miyazaki Parking Lot)

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation



Introduction of Japanese language volunteers

*Free, Registration Required

Foreigners or Japanese returnees in Miyazaki who wish to study Japanese language will be introduced to registered Japanese language volunteers upon request. Study location, hours, and contents will be decided by the learner and the tutor themselves.

◇Target: Foreign residents of Miyazaki Prefecture

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation



A Message from the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

Daily Life Consultations for Foreign Residents (Portuguese)

*Free, Reservation Required

Consultations are available in Portuguese about any problems in your life. Consultations are strictly confidential.

*Reservation required. (Appointments are available on the day.)

◇Date & Time: August 19th(Sat) 2:00pm - 4:00pm

◇Venue: Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents
(Online Consultations (using Zoom) are also available.)

◇Spaces Available: 4

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents (Carino Miyazaki B1F) TEL:0985-41-5901
FAX:0985-41-5902 E-mail:support@mif.or.jp



Consultations available online *Free, Reservation Required

The Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents provides a 'Zoom consultation' service for those who are unable to come to the center directly. Please send you enquire to support@mif.or.jp and be sure to include the following information from 1-4.

1. Your name
2. Your email address
3. The date or time you would like to meet
4. What it is you would like to discuss (child rearing, work, school/education, medical care, divorce, Japanese language learning, status of residence in Japan etc.)

◇Discussion reception desk opening hours:

Tuesday – Saturday (morning) 10:30am-12:00pm,
(afternoon) 2:00pm-5:00pm

*Closed Sunday, Monday and on National holidays

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki Support Center for

Foreign Residents (Carino Miyazaki B1F)

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Local Announcements

<Kobayashi City>

Local Japanese Class "KIZUNA"

*Free, Reservation Required

A class where you can speak, read, and write Japanese. It is a class where you can enjoy speaking with the Japanese language teacher and people of Kobayashi. Children can participate with you. (Childcare is also available)

◇Date & Time / Theme:

·August 20th (Sun) 10:00am - 12:00pm / Summer festival

·September 3rd(Sun) 10:00am - 12:00pm / Let's prepare for typhoons and earthquakes.

◇Venue: TENAMU building (Kobayashi City Hosono 1897)

◇Target: Foreign residents interested in taking classes.

◇Fee: Free

◇Application:

◇Inquiries: Kobayashi City Regional

Revitalisation Division TEL :0984-23-1148



<Tano Town>

The 31st Tano Taiko Festival

~Love Taiko Drumming? Love Festivals? Then in Summer, it has to be Tano! ~ *Free

At this event, spectators can enjoy some impressive taiko drumming performances, such as Tano's famous local *Amadaiko*. Make sure to check it out!

◇Date & Time: August 26th (Sat) 4:00pm - 9:00pm

◇Location: Multipurpose Plaza, Tano Sports Park

◇Inquiries & Application: Tano General Branch Office,
Community Welfare Division Tel:0985-86-1111



A Scot in Miyazaki

"One-year anniversary"



Miyazaki Prefecture CIR
Eilidh Galloway

So, it's now officially August, which I would usually consider the end of summer but as I am sure everyone here knows we are well and truly still in the heart of summer here in Miyazaki. This month is pretty significant for me, as it marks my one-year anniversary of moving to Miyazaki and Japan. It's so strange to think that this time last year I was a fresh university graduate, packing up my life in Glasgow getting ready to move to the other side of the world. I'm sure this feeling is one many of the now second year JETs will relate to, and probably doesn't ever really go away throughout your time here.

To celebrate my one-year anniversary with Miyazaki I've decided to take a trip back home, back to the UK I mean, because Miyazaki is also my home. I was undecided for the longest time whether I wanted to go back to the UK, what with everything being SO expensive and also it does take a hot minute, but there are so many friends and family I haven't been able to see or keep in touch with as much as I have wanted to, so hopefully this will be an opportunity to reconnect with my Scottish roots again. Also, wouldn't mind an Irn Bru and a chippy!

So many of the foreign residents in Miyazaki have travelled from far, leaving friends and family behind, to explore and work in Japan. That is why I am so grateful to all the people I have met here, for being so kind, welcoming, and friendly. I do love my Miyazaki family, but this month I must admit I am looking forward to eating from a fridge stocked with things I didn't have to go and buy. Happy summer everyone!

