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Miyazaki International Festival ~ Friends of the World ~

Date: November 11th (Sat) 10:00 am - 4:30 pm Venue: B1, 1F, 2F Carino Miyazaki

18th Annual Art Festival "Miyazaki -From the Outside Looking In" Art Gallery

Featured artworks are made in the theme of Miyazaki by foreigners living in Miyazaki. Vote for your favorite artwork. Your vote will decide the winner!

◇ **Display period** : 11/1 (Wed) ~ 11/16 (Thu)
10:00~19:00◇ **Location** : B1 Carino Miyazaki

International Understanding Lecture - Vietnam

A lecturer from Vietnam will talk about Vietnamese food culture. *Advance application is required. See below for details.

◇ **Time** : 10:30~12:00 ◇ **Location** : B1 Carino Miyazaki

International Understanding Lecture - Ukraine

After listening to stories about Ukrainian food culture, let's sample Ukrainian cuisine! *Advance application is required. See below for details.

◇ **Time** : 12:30~14:30 ◇ **Location** : B1 Carino Miyazaki

World Food

Ladish Seven, in the basement of Carino Miyazaki, will be selling foreign side dishes.

◇ **Time** : 10:00~ ends as soon as stock runs out.

Immigration Bureau introduction booth

You can consult with the Immigration Bureau.

◇ **Time** : 13:00~16:30 ◇ **Location** : B1 Carino Miyazaki

International Understanding Lecture Vietnam *Free, Registration Required

Nguyen Thi Ngoc My, from Vietnam, will give a talk about food culture in Vietnam.

◇ **Date & Time**: November 11th(Sat) 10:30pm - 12:00pm◇ **Venue**: CARINO Miyazaki B1 Meeting Room◇ **Lecturer**: Ms. Nguyen Thi Ngoc My◇ **Spaces Available**: 24 (First-come, first-served) ◇ **Fee**: Free◇ **To Apply**: Please let us know your name, address, phone number, by phone, fax, email or in person.◇ **Application Deadline**: October 24th(Tue)◇ **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

World Culture experience booths

Booths where you can experience musical instruments, games, crafts, and more from around the world.

◇ **Time** : 13:00~16:00 ◇ **Location** : B1 Carino Miyazaki◇ **Contents** : 13:00~13:40 Let's experience the Chinese 'erhu'!

14:00~15:00 Try the Mongolian game 'Shagai'!

14:00~15:00 Let's make Christmas decorations with a lady from Germany!

15:20~16:00 Try "Capoeira", the national sport of Brazil!



Traditional Japanese culture workshop

Try on Japanese-style armour and helmets and play Japanese games.

◇ **Time** : 13:00~16:10 ◇ **Location** : B1 Carino Miyazaki

International Exchange Group Booth

We are planning to have exhibitions from countries such as Canada and Bangladesh, as well as international exchange organizations within the prefecture.

◇ **Time** : 13:00~16:30 ◇ **Location** : 1F 2F Carino Miyazaki

★ On the day of the festival, stamp rallies will be held at the exhibitions, courses, and the other booths except the World food booth! Those who collect all of the stamps will receive a gift. (Scheduled: arriving 80 people)

* Contents and times are subject to change. Please check our website and Facebook.★ We are looking for volunteers for the festival! Please contact us if you are interested. ◇ **Deadline** : 13 October (Fri)TEL : 0985-32-8457 E-mail : miyainfo@mif.or.jp

International Understanding Lecture Ukraine *Free, Registration Required

Volokitina Olena, from Ukraine, will give a talk about home cooking in Ukraine.

◇ **Date & Time**: November 11th(Sat) 12:30pm - 14:30pm◇ **Venue**: CARINO Miyazaki B1◇ **Lecturer**: Ms. Volokitina Olena◇ **Spaces Available**: About 25 (First-come, first-served)◇ **Fee**: Free◇ **To Apply**: Please let us know your name, address, phone number, email address by phone, fax, email or in person.◇ **Application Deadline**: October 24th(Tue)◇ **Inquiries & Application**: Miyazaki International Foundation

Japanese Practice Sessions *Free, No Registration Required

◇ **Dates & Times**:

[Wednesday] 10:30am - 11:30am 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25

[Friday] 10:30am - 11:30am 10/6, 10/13, 10/20, 10/27

◇ **Venue**: CARINO Miyazaki B1◇ **Inquiries**: Miyazaki International Foundation

Talk with the CIRs ♪ *Free, Registration Required

★A chat with Yu Ding from Singapore

◇Date & Time: ①October 17th (Tue) 3:00pm - 4:00pm
(Japanese & English)

②October 17th (Tue) 6:00pm - 7:00pm
(Japanese & Chinese)

◇Application Deadline: October 10th (Tue)



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

◇Date & Time: October 19 (Thu) 3:00pm - 4:00pm

◇Application Deadline: October 12 (Thu)



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

◇Date & Time: ①October 13th (Fri) 6:00pm - 7:00pm

②October 20th (Fri) 3:00pm - 4:00pm

*①Priority will be given to students.

◇Application Deadline:

①October 6th (Fri) ②October 13th (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

Traditional Japanese Culture Workshop "Chadō", Traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony in a Traditional Folk House *Registration Required, FREE

We are going to hold a Traditional Japanese Culture Workshop on "Chadō" in November. The venue, the traditional "Shiiba" folk house was built about 150 years ago, and is a prefecturally designated tangible cultural property. Enjoy traditional Japanese tea ceremony in a tranquil atmosphere!



◇Dates&Times : November 25th (Sat) 2:00pm~3:30pm

◇Place : "Shiiba" traditional folk house, Miyazaki Prefectural Museum of Nature and History

*A map of the venue will be sent after you are selected to participate.

◇Instructor : Mr. Souhou Komaki

◇Limit : 10 (first come, first served)

◇Target : Foreign Residents of Miyazaki ◇Cost : Free

◇How to apply: Please let us know your name, contact information (phone number, email) and Japanese level by phone, FAX, email or in person.

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki international Foundation

Japanese Speech Contest for Foreign Residents Participant applications open! *Application Required

District Meeting

- ①Western Prefecture Regional Meeting
- ②Central and Southern Prefecture Regional Meeting
- ③Northern Prefecture Regional Meeting



◇Date & Time:

- ①Nov 12th (Sun) ②Nov 19th (Sun) ③Dec 17th (Sun)
- ①②③ 1:00pm - 3:00pm

◇Topic: "Miyazaki" (Things you have felt while living in Miyazaki, feelings towards your home country, dreams for the future, etc.)

◇Location: ①Miyakonojo City Central Public Hall, Large Meeting Room ②Building No.5 Room 521 ③Culture Plaza Nobeoka Research room 1

◇Eligibility: anyone who meets the following criteria

- 1. Those residing in Miyazaki prefecture, over the age of 16, whose first language is NOT Japanese
- 2. Have lived in Japan for LESS than 5 years

◇Divisions & Available Spaces:

Student Division - 5 / Open Division - 5

*If there are a large number of applicants, entries will be screened. ◇Speech Length Limit: 3~5 min

◇Deadline: ①Oct 21st (Sat) ②Oct 28th (Sat) ③ Nov 25th (Sat)

◇How to Apply: Please hand in your ①Application form (with a photo of yourself attached) and ②Speech script (romaji is also accepted), by one of the following methods; handed directly into the Foundation, by post, or by email.

*The application form can be downloaded online from the Miyazaki International Foundation homepage.

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation

A Message from the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

Daily Life Consultations for Foreign Residents (Korean)



*Free, Reservation Required

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

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

◇Date & Time: October 14th (Sat) 2:00pm - 4:00pm

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

◇Spaces Available: 4 each

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents (Carino Miyazaki B1) TEL: 0985-41-5901
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A Scot in Miyazaki

"The Beginning of Michaelmas"



Miyazaki Prefecture CIR
Eilidh Galloway



For many students in university, the academic term usually starts sometime in September. However, in Oxford University (and Cambridge), the first term of the year actually starts in October! I am sure when many people hear this they may be surprised, why does the term start so late? Well, the terms at Oxford only last 8 weeks, yes that's right 8 weeks! This may sound short compared to the usual 14 or 15 weeks of other universities, but this is because we have 3 terms instead of 2, and because during these 8 weeks we cram, consume, and cover A LOT of content. Our first term ends sometime early to mid-December, with fresher's week taking place one week before the official start date in October. Our second term then begins in mid-January until March, and then finally from April until June. However, the most interesting, or bizarre, depending on your take on things, aspect of the Oxford terms is that they all have special names, 'Michaelmas', 'Hilary', and 'Trinity'. The name for the first term 'Michaelmas' is derived from the 'Feast of St Michael and All Angels', which falls on the 29th of September, just before the start of term. 'Hilary' term is named after the 'Feast Day of St Hilary' on the 14th of January, while 'Trinity' comes from 'Trinity Sunday', which falls around eight weeks after Easter. There are lots of other weird words, we call 'jargon', used by students in Oxford that may seem weird to other people, but it is surprising how quickly it becomes a part of your everyday vocabulary. This October, although I will not be returning to Oxford, I am looking forward to seeing posts on Instagram and Facebook from my friends who will be there and reminisce about my time there, however it's safe to say I'm glad I'm not a student anymore!