



# Kokusai Hiroba



## Q How do YOU use Kokusai Hiroba?

I study Japanese at Kokusai Hiroba. It has only been 3 months since I started attending classes here, but with kind help from the teachers my conversation is better than before. My favourite Japanese phrase at the moment is "arigato gozaimasu"! Kokusai Hiroba is a nice space where you can learn Japanese and study at your own leisure.



Some of the visitors to Kokusai Hiroba



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High light!

# asianbeat report “Broaden your world with Manga” – using manga to spread international exchange



## Sending pop-culture from Fukuoka to the world!

Youth cultures such as manga, anime, fashion and pop music have gained a common popularity amongst Asian youth, and are nurturing the deep sensitivities and values of the next generation.

By establishing the multilingual website “asianbeat” in 2005, Fukuoka Prefecture has focused on these borderless youth cultures in order to develop friendship exchanges with the Asian region.

By distributing youth culture content and holding events on the various topics covered by our website, asianbeat aims to deepen mutual understanding between the youth of Fukuoka, Japan and the rest of Asia.



In 7 languages – Japanese, Korean, Chinese (simplified, traditional), English, Thai and Vietnamese!

### The web comes to life with events and exhibitions!

Asianbeat further stimulates both virtual and real exchange by holding events linked to the content transmitted via our website.

On February 2nd, a talkshow event themed “Broaden your world with Manga” was jointly held with the Kitakyushu Manga Museum, with guests who are active on the frontline of the industry such as manga artist Keiko Yamada, girls’ manga illustrator Shiitake-san and portrait artist Yuka Tao.

Using their participation with asianbeat at the 2008 Japan-Korea Manga Festival in Korea as a stepping stone, both Tao and Shiitake-san have leaped onto the world stage and are currently active in countries including China, Taiwan, Vietnam, Thailand, India and France. They explained the way their horizons had broadened while they both remained in Fukuoka, through continuing to nurture friendships with those they had met on the other side of the world.



The [Broaden your world with Manga] Talkshow

### The “4-frame manga contest” exhibition is on now! Until Friday 22nd March



**Venue**  
Kitakyushu Manga Museum  
[Ashita no Gallery]  
6F AruAru City 2 Asano,  
Kokurakita-ku, Kitakyushu-shi  
※Admission cost:  
General ¥400, JHS/SHS ¥200,  
Elementary ¥100

In addition, the venue also featured an exhibition of works from the “4-frame manga contest”, which was judged by internet voting via the asianbeat website in December 2012. The contest drew entries not only from Japan but also works in Chinese and English from overseas, and the exhibition was another real reminder that the popularity of manga amongst both readers and creators is continuing to grow worldwide.

A report of the event is also available on asianbeat.

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Phone: 092-400-6640 Email:asianbeat-info@aycc.jp <http://asianbeat.com/>





# Kokusai Hiroba Event Information

March - April - May

Operated by the Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation, Kokusai Hiroba carries out many functions as a place for citizens and foreign residents to exchange information, a point of contact for international exchange students, and as a base for spreading Asian youth culture.

On this page, we provide information on various events, lectures, presentations and exhibitions held at Kokusai Hiroba. Please feel free to participate!

Event

## African Day @ Kokusai Hiroba

- ▶Date=Wednesday 20th March (public holiday) 13:30~16:30
- ▶Cost=Free
- ▶Contact=Kyushu University African Society  
090-3662-4863 Jawara
- ▶E-mail=info.askyu@gmail.com

Organised by Kyushu University's African international students, this event is a showcase of Africa including the region's continuing growth in recent years, as well as traditional instruments, costumes and dance from various countries!



Djembe



Shekere

### Event Highlights Staff Picks!



Coordinator: Kim

The Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation introduces foreign cultures via events and lectures in collaboration with various NPOs and international exchange organizations within the prefecture.

To date, we have introduced countries such as Nigeria, Germany, and my own home country of Korea. This time we have "African Day @ Kokusai Hiroba", where participants can enjoy mixing with bright and energetic African students through dance, instruments and more! Anyone interested is welcome to come and participate! Also, for anyone wishing to hold an event, please feel free to contact us!

## Around the world with Kokusai Hiroba Café ☕ Vol.14

- ▶Date=Sunday 24th March 14:00~16:00
- ▶Number of participants=approx. 50
- ▶Cost=Supporting Members: Free General: ¥300
- ▶Registration=Required (Phone or email)
- ▶Contact=Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation  
092-725-9200
- ▶E-mail=info@kokusaihiroba.or.jp

Kokusai Hiroba Café introduces the world's countries and their cultures. Kokusai Hiroba welcomes guest teachers active in International Understanding Education at schools around the prefecture and vol. 14 is the Asia edition! We introduce Inner-Mongolia and Nepal, including traditional instrument performances!



## EU Study Tour Report

- ▶Date=Wednesday 27th March 14:00~15:30
- ▶Cost=Free
- ▶Registration=Required (Phone or email)
- ▶Contact=Fukuoka EU Association office 092-725-9200
- ▶E-mail=fukuoka-eu@kokusaihiroba.or.jp
- ▶URL=www.fukuoka-eu.com/

Students from Seinan Gakuin, Fukuoka Women's and Kyushu Universities, which form the center of EU academic research 'EUIJ Kyushu', participated in an EU study tour that included visiting various EU nations, institutions such as the European Commission and Parliament, and exchange with local university students. Students who participated in the tour will report on their findings and experiences.

## 47th Fukuoka International Student Support Center "Bunka Juku"

- ▶Date=Saturday 23rd March 15:00~17:00
- ▶Number of participants=100
- ▶Cost=Free
- ▶Registration=Required (Phone, FAX or email)
- ▶Contact=Fukuoka International Student Support Center  
092-725-9201
- ▶FAX=092-725-9225
- ▶E-mail=bunkajuku.fissc@gmail.com
- ▶URL=www.fissc.net

Held on the 4th Saturday each month, the Nihon Bunka Juku is a presentation by speakers active on the front line of various fields. An exchange event is planned following the lecture.

## 13th Habitat Hiroba

- ▶Date=Monday 1st April 18:30~19:30
- ▶Number of participants=approx. 50
- ▶Cost=Free
- ▶Registration=Required (Phone, FAX or email)
- ▶Contact=UN-Habitat Fukuoka Office 092-724-7121
- ▶FAX=092-724-7124
- ▶E-mail=habitat.fukuoka@unhabitat.org
- ▶URL=www.fukuoka.unhabitat.org/

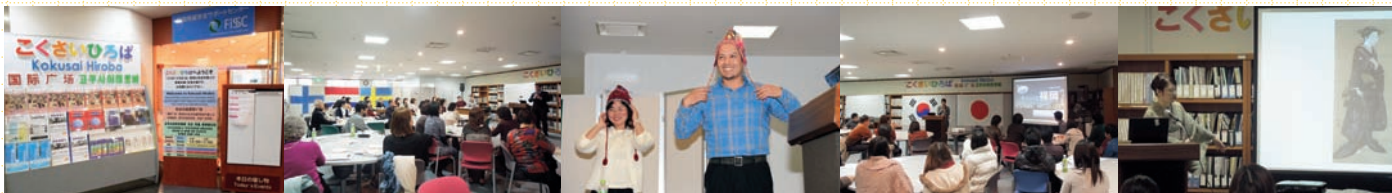
A joint lecture series by UN Habitat Fukuoka Head Office and Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation. In the 13th installment, UN Habitat Coordinating Officer Kenji Narita talks about the water situation in Cambodia.

## Visit our homepage for the latest event information!

For the latest information on March, April and May events at Kokusai Hiroba, please visit our homepage!

<http://www.kokusaihiroba.or.jp/> ★Smartphone accessible

Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation Kokusai Hiroba (1-1-1 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka, 810-0001)





# International Exchange

## within the Prefecture

We bring you the latest information related to international exchange events, collaborations, lectures and presentations held within Fukuoka Prefecture. Why not try joining in an event or lecture of your interest, and make friends with people from various countries!



### Event

#### Kimono Beauty

- Date(s) / Until Sunday 7th April ※Closed Mondays
- Venue / Fukuoka City Museum, Special Exhibition Room (3-1-1 Momochihama, Sawara-ku, Fukuoka)
- Cost / Admission General ¥1,200, SHS ¥800, JHS or elementary ¥500  
※Pre-sale/group of 20 or more receive ¥200 discount per ticket
- Contact / Fukuoka City Museum 092-845-5011
- FAX / 092-845-5019
- URL / <http://museum.city.fukuoka.jp/>

Kimono - one of the representations of Japanese beauty born of the country's traditional culture. These gorgeous historical designs are displayed along with obi (the sash worn with kimono), hair and other accessories, as well as paintings depicting beautiful kimono-clad women. Weekends throughout the duration of the exhibition are full of related events, and visitors can receive various special services by showing their ticket stub.



Long-sleeved robe (furisode) with design of hanging fabric screens (kichō) and flowering plum (ume) on a ribbed silk plain weave. Museum of Fine Arts, Boston collection, Meiji Era (19th century)  
※On display throughout exhibition period

#### 13th International Exchange Festival

- Date(s) / Sunday 10th March 13:30 ~ 17:00 ※Venue opens 13:00
- Venue / Okagaki Sanry Ai (1-2-1 Noma, Okagaki-machi, Onaga-gun)
- Participants / 595 ●Cost / ¥500
- Registration / Tickets on sale at the OIA office
- Contact / Okagaki International Association 093-282-0549
- FAX / 093-282-0559
- E-mail / [oia@fancy.ocn.ne.jp](mailto:oia@fancy.ocn.ne.jp)
- URL / <http://www4.ocn.ne.jp/~oia/>

With the goal of uniting Japanese and foreign cultures, the event invites international artists to introduce music, theatre or ethnic dance. This time will feature a talk and musical performance by Chinese biwa (Japanese lute) artist Enki, as well as dance and Japanese instrument performances by local music groups.

#### Mothers connected through Happiness - embroidery exhibition

- Date(s) / Friday 15th - Sunday 17th March 11:00 ~ 17:00  
※Sunday until 16:00
- Venue / Fukuoka City Gender Equality Promotion Center AMIKAS, gallery space (3-3-1 Takamiya, Minami-ku, Fukuoka)
- Cost / Free

- Contact / Salt Payatas Foundation 092-939-3633
- FAX / 092-939-3633
- E-mail / [contact@saltpayatas.com](mailto:contact@saltpayatas.com)
- URL / <http://salt.or.tv/>

Heartwarming embroidery made by women in the Philippines for sale and on display. The event also includes the screening of a short video capturing local designs, a hands-on embroidery corner, a skype session with the local producers (16th March only) and much more!



#### Talk + Film + Music Live with Documentary film-maker, "JUN OKAMURA"

- Date(s) / Wednesday 20th March (public holiday) 18:00 ~ 20:00
- Venue / Tiempo Hall 3F (3F Daimyo11511Bldg., 1-15-11Daimyo, Chuo-ku Fukuoka)
- Participants / 150
- Cost / General Pre-sale ¥1,500 Door ¥2,000 (JHS/elementary students half price, below school age free)
- Contact / NPO Tiempo Iberoamericano 092-762-4100

A close-up of the largest Japanese diaspora in the world through documentaries focusing on the lives of immigrants to Brazil. Also includes a discussion with special guest documentary film maker Jun Okamura.

Screening: "HUMANITAS, 25 years of activities - Companions of the Purple Earth" (the story of Father Sasaki and his charity organization)  
\*Party: tickets req'd, 20:00 -

#### 6th Gamelan Workshop - Experience the music of Jawa's Gamelan

- Date(s) / Saturday 23rd March 13:30 ~ 15:30
- Venue / Kyushu National Museum, Museum Hall (4-7-2 Ishizaka, Dazaifu)
- Participants / 28 (elementary school and above, adults also welcome)
- Cost / Free
- Registration / Required (Post/FAX)  
※Please include Name, Address and phone number
- Contact / Kyushu National Museum Exchange Division 092-929-3294
- FAX / 092-929-3980

A workshop on Jawa's gamelan. Feel the beauty of the instrument's construction and the richness of the sound with all senses by playing it for yourself!

#### JCDN International Dance In Residence Exchange Project Korea-Japan Co-Production Program

- Date(s) / Saturday 23rd, Sunday 24th March
- Venue / Kyushu University Hakozaki Campus (6-10-1 Hakozaki, Higashi-ku, Fukuoka)
- Contact / Fukuoka City Foundation for Arts and Cultural Promotion 092-263-6265

Korean-based choreographer/dancer Jung Young Doo introduces the works he created in Fukuoka.

In addition to dance, the concept of "human" is expressed through various fields including theatre, film, text and visual arts.

#### Takayuki Zenimoto's Denmark presentation "Learning from Denmark's high level welfare state"

- Date(s) / Saturday 30th March 13:30 ~ 16:00 ※venue opens 13:15
- Venue / Fukuoka Fujin Kaikan, 9F Lecture Theatre (2-5-1 Maizuru, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Participants / 120 ●Cost / ¥1,000 (students ¥500)
- Registration / Required (FAX, email)
- Contact / Education and Culture Laboratory 092-923-9339
- FAX / 092-923-9339
- E-mail / [nakayoshi@kyoikubunka.com](mailto:nakayoshi@kyoikubunka.com)

Head of the Danish Japanese Culture College on Denmark's Fyn Island, Takayuki Zenimoto's presentation focuses on education, including initiatives to counter bullying in Denmark.

#### German Business - Internal organization, working with Germans

- Date(s) / Saturday 6th April Lecture 18:30 ~ 19:30
- Venue / KKR Hotel Hakata (4-21-1 Yakuin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)



- Participants / 50 ●Cost / Free
- Registration / Required (Phone, FAX, mail, post)
- Contact / Japanisch-Deutsche Gesellschaft Westjapan in Fukuoka  
092-524-0059 (Monday and Thursday 12:00 ~ 14:00)
- FAX / 092-524-0059
- E-mail / info@jdg-nishinihon.org
- URL / <http://jdg-nishinihon.org>

With 40 years experience working at German company Siemens and currently living in Munchen, Akihiro Asano introduces the interesting experiences gained over many years of working locally at a German enterprise.

A casual get-together will follow the lecture event (participation cost separate).

## Japan-Iran Music Exchange Songs of Persia Concert in Fukuoka

- Date(s) / Saturday 20th April 14:00 ~
- Venue / Saitopia Multipurpose Hall  
(607-1 Myoubaru, Nishi-ku, Fukuoka)
- Participants / 100
- Cost / General ¥1,500 Students/Seniors ¥1,000
- Contact / Persia no Kaze 0480-72-8550

An event showcasing Persian poetry, folk songs and dance to the backing of piano and flute, with a chance for participants to join in. Films also introduce the scenery and lifestyle of Iran.

## 50th International Speech Contest in Japanese

- Date(s) / Saturday 8th June 13:00 ~
- Venue / Kitakyushu Performing Arts Center Grand Hall  
(1-1-11 Muromachi, Kokurakita-ku, Kitakyushu)
- Cost / Free
- Contact / City of Kitakyushu General Affairs and Planning  
Bureau, International Policy Division,  
Shiozawa/Fukuda 093-582-2146
- URL / [http://www.iec-nichibe.or.jp/iec04\\_2.html](http://www.iec-nichibe.or.jp/iec04_2.html)

See Japan through the eyes of a foreigner, and increase your intercultural understanding.

We are also looking for those who would like to make a speech. If you are interested, please submit the necessary documents by Tuesday 16th April. For more details, please see the International Education Center homepage.

## Lecture/Class

### Japan Political Situation Study Group

- Date(s) / Saturday 23rd March 12:00 ~ 14:00
- Venue / Fukuoka City NPO/Volunteer Exchange Center Asumin  
(2-6-46 Daimyo, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Cost / Free
- Contact / NPO Esperanza - Chieko Yamaguchi 080-3948-6963

NPO Esperanza is engaged in children's education in the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, west Africa. This time, Esperanza advisor Masukane Mukai gives an easy-to-understand explanation of Japan's international situation.

### Yasashii Nihongo Class for foreigners

- Date(s) / Every Tuesday (first term: planned for 4/2 ~ 7/16)
- Venue / Eru Pia Kurume (1830-6 Suwanomachi, Kurume-shi)
- Cost / Free (However, materials cost for the first term: ¥1,500)
- Contact / Kurume Convention 0942-31-1717
- FAX / 0942-31-3210
- E-mail / kokusaikoryu@ktie.or.jp
- URL / <http://www.kurume-hotomeki.jp>

A class for foreigners living in Japan, teaching Japanese language useful in everyday life. All foreigners who are not students are welcome to attend.

### Recruiting participants for 2013 Foreign Language Classes by International Students

- Date(s) / May 2013 - Feb 2014 (Registration closes 8th March)
- Venue / Fukuoka Ryugakusei Kaikan  
(4-1 Tenyamachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka)
- Participants / 20 per course ※Chinese for Children, 10 per course
- Cost / ¥30,000 per course ※must be paid upfront
- Registration / Required (post, FAX)

- Contact / Asia-Pacific Children's Convention - Yoshimatsu  
092-734-7700
- FAX / 092-734-7711
- E-mail / [gogaku@apcc.gr.jp](mailto:gogaku@apcc.gr.jp)
- URL / <http://www.asia-kotoba.net>

Being a focal point for exchange within Asia, Fukuoka has many resident international students from various countries. At the 'Foreign Language Classes by International Students', participants can learn about language and culture while interacting with the students.

## Other

### Undelivered Postcard Collection Program

- Date(s) / Until 31st March
- Contact / Cambodia Mines-Remove Campaign office, Furukawa/  
Hoshihara 092-833-7575
- FAX / 092-833-7677
- E-mail / [cmc5963@gmail.com](mailto:cmc5963@gmail.com)
- URL / <http://cmc-net.jp/>

International cooperation that's close at hand, this program collects postcards or phone cards that may be laying around the house in order to support mine removal in Cambodia. For more details please contact the office.

### Host Family Registration Orientation

- Date(s) / Sunday 17th March 14:00 ~ 15:00
- Venue / Rainbow Plaza Meeting Room  
(8F IMS, 1-7-11 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Cost / Free
- Registration / Required (Phone, Fax, Email) ※until 10th March
- Contact / Rainbow Plaza 092-733-2220
- FAX / 092-733-2215
- E-mail / [rainbow@rainbowfia.or.jp](mailto:rainbow@rainbowfia.or.jp)
- URL / <http://www.rainbowfia.or.jp>

Fukuoka International Association is looking for households who have an interest in Home Stay/Home Visit, and wish to volunteer to provide an opportunity for foreigners to experience Japanese life.

### JICA Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers - Senior Overseas Volunteer recruitment

- Date(s) / Monday 1st April - Monday 13th May
- Contact / JICA Kyushu Volunteer Group 093-671-8349
- E-mail / [jicakicp-jpcvqc@jica.go.jp](mailto:jicakicp-jpcvqc@jica.go.jp)
- URL / <http://www.jica.go.jp>

JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency), which provides technical cooperation and human resource training to developing countries, is recruiting International Volunteers. During the recruitment period there will also be information seminars and opportunities to hear the experiences of others. For more details please see the homepage.

**We are looking for information from those holding international exchange / cooperation events within the Prefecture. Please provide the following information via the Kokusai Hiroba homepage (<https://www.kokusaihiroba.or.jp/request/event.php>).**

As we are unable to publish all information received, we ask for your understanding in advance.

- Required information:  
event title, date, venue, cost, number of participants, method of registration, point of contact, phone number, event content (200 words or less) or information about the sponsoring organization



## Kokusai Hiroba Calendar

Human Rights Counseling for Foreigners
  Immigration and Residency Process Consultations  
 A ~ I indicate Japanese classes. Please check the table below to see which classes are being held.

### March

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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				D	E,F,G	
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		B	C	D	F,G	H,I
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		B	C	D	E,F,G	H,I
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	A		C	D		I
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
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### April

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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29	30					

### May

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		I	2	3	4	5
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27	28	29	30	31		
		B		D		

★When events are held at Kokusai Hiroba, classes will be held in the Exchange Room.

★As the schedule for Japanese classes is subject to change, please visit our home page for the latest information.

## Japanese Classes @ Kokusai Hiroba

	Name of Class	Time	Fee	Contact (TEL/E-mail)	Details
Tue	<b>A</b> Chiisana Kokusai Koryu no Kai	10:00 -12:00	1000 yen/month (Trial lesson free)	(Phone&FAX) 092-662-7690 chiisanainfo@gmail.com nihongonoguchi@u01.gate01.com	Everyday conversation (focus on speech, following the year-long conversation curriculum. We may add sentence structure if needed.) Pronunciation practice (correction of pronunciation) Level : Beginner, Intermediate
Wed	<b>B</b> Cosmos Japanese Class	①11:00-12:30 ②13:30-15:00	100yen/class or 400yen/month	(Phone&FAX) 092-807-7053 berisario_sarinas@yahoo.co.jp	Everyday conversation, grammar, Japanese Language Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced
Thu	<b>C</b> F H Japanese Class	13:30 -15:30	500 yen/month	(Phone) 090-7539-3739 (FAX) 0940-36-9359 fumika@forest.ocn.ne.jp	Everyday conversation, grammar Individual tutoring for people aiming for JLPT (N1 ~ N5) Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced
Fri	<b>D</b> Japanese Class Friday Club	14:00 -16:00	200 yen/class or 500 yen/month	(Phone) 080-3946-8859 * English, Chinese okay torianon-2@jcom.home.ne.jp	Everyday conversation, grammar JLPT training (N1 ~ N4) 4th week each month is a 'free-talk' session. Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced
Sat	<b>E</b> Nihongo Hiroba	10:30 -12:00	Free	chikushijfi@yahoo.co.jp	This class by Chikushi Jogakuen University students focuses on conversation as a means of communication for all levels. Come and join us! Level : Intermediate, Advanced
	<b>F</b> Meeting for Learning Japanese	13:30 -15:30	500 yen/month	(Phone&FAX) 092-806-3704 090-4779-6816 nihongowomanabukai@hotmail.co.jp	We will help you with daily conversation, grammar, and Japanese Language Proficiency Test preparation. Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced
	<b>G</b> Kansen Japanese Class	16:30 -18:20	500 yen/month	(Phone&FAX) 092-801-2974 nihongo822@hotmail.com	Everyday conversation, grammar Japanese Language Proficiency Test classes: Levels 1, 2 Level : Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced
Sun	<b>H</b> Sunday Conversation Salon	10:30 -12:20	100 yen/class	nichiyo2525@yahoo.co.jp	Enjoy speaking Japanese on a theme of your choice in this relaxed environment. We are not picky on grammar, but will work to improve your level of expression and listening. Level : Intermediate
	<b>I</b> Nihongo Hiroba Ichi · Ni · San	13:30 -15:00	200 yen/class or 500 yen/month * extra material fees may apply	nihongohiroba123@yahoo.co.jp	Beginner : learn basic grammar using a textbook, and improve conversation skills. Intermediate and above: improve on expression. Level : Beginner, Intermediate

※Please visit our home page for volunteer-run Japanese classes around Fukuoka Prefecture (~ 80 locations).

## Free Consultation for Foreigners (1) Kokusai Hiroba

	Human Rights counseling for non-Japanese	Immigration and Residency Process Consultations
Date	9 <sup>th</sup> Mar, 13 <sup>th</sup> Apr, 11 <sup>th</sup> May (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat each month)	23 <sup>rd</sup> Mar, 27 <sup>th</sup> Apr, 25 <sup>th</sup> May (4 <sup>th</sup> Sat each month)
Time	13 : 00 ~ 16 : 00 (appointment not required)	13 : 00 ~ 16 : 00 (last entry 15 : 30, appointment not req.)
Language	Japanese, English	Japanese, English, Chinese *For other languages, please advise in advance
Corresponding Organisation	Fukuoka Legal Affairs, Bureau Civil Liberties Commissioner First Division	Fukuoka Gyoseishoshi Lawyers Association
Consultation Content	Human rights issues relating to foreigners, including employment, housing, marriage, etc.	Citizenship, immigration, residency, etc.



## • Free Consultation for Foreigners (2) other venues •

### Fukuoka Labour Bureau

#### Free consultation related to working conditions

- Time and Date / Every Tuesday and Thursday  
(Twice per week) 9:00~16:00
- Venue / Fukuoka Labour Bureau Labour Standards Department  
Inspection Division 4F Fukuoka Goudouchousha-shinkan  
(2-11-1 Hakata-eki higashi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka)
- Languages / Japanese, English
- Contact / Fukuoka Labour Bureau Labour Standards Department  
Inspection Division 092-411-4862
- Content / An inspector or english-speaking advisor provides answers  
to questions over the phone or in person.

### Tenjin Lawyers Center

#### Free legal advice for foreigners

- Time and Date / ①2nd Friday each month  
(3/8, 4/12, 5/10) 13:00~16:00  
②4th Friday each month  
(3/22, 4/26, 5/24) 13:00~16:00
- Venue / Fukuoka Lawyers Association Tenjin Lawyers Center  
(2F Minami Tenjin Bldg., 5-14-12 Watanabe-dori, Chuo-ku Fukuoka)
- Languages / ①Japanese, Chinese  
②Japanese, Chinese, English
- Registration / Required (via phone) Weekdays 10:00~16:00
- Contact / Fukuoka Lawyer's Association 092-737-7555
- Content / Free legal consultation for foreigners by the Fukuoka Lawyers  
Association. Counseling on general civil affairs, labour  
or household problems, immigration and criminal cases.

### International Village Center

#### Legal Consultation

- Time and Date / 4th Saturday of each month  
(3/23, 4/27, 5/25) 13:30~16:30
- Venue / Kitakyushu International Association International Village  
Center 3F, (1-1-1 Hirano, Yahatahigashi-ku, Kitakyushu)
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- Registration / Prior registration required (via phone)
- Contact / Kitakyushu International Association  
Foreigner Consultation Helpdesk 093-671-2606
- URL / [http://www.kitaq-koryu.jp/jp\\_new/](http://www.kitaq-koryu.jp/jp_new/)
- Content / Consultation regarding employment, housing, marriage,  
divorce, naturalisation, human rights, etc.

#### Consultation concerning Immigration Procedures

- Time and Date / 3rd Sunday of each month  
(3/17, 4/21, 5/19) 13:00~16:00
- Venue / Kitakyushu International Association International Village  
Center 3F, (1-1-1 Hirano, Yahatahigashi-ku, Kitakyushu)
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- Registration / Prior registration required (via phone)  
\*only if an interpreter is needed
- Contact / Kitakyushu International Association  
Foreigner Consultation Helpdesk 093-671-2606
- URL / [http://www.kitaq-koryu.jp/jp\\_new/](http://www.kitaq-koryu.jp/jp_new/)
- Content / Consultation related to procedures for invitation, changing  
residency status, re-entry, Deviation of Status, permanent  
residency, foreigner registration, international marriage,  
nationality, etc.

#### Psychological Counseling

- Time and Date / 4th Saturday of each month  
(3/23, 4/27, 5/25) 9:30~12:30
- Venue / Kitakyushu International Association International Village  
Center 3F, (1-1-1 Hirano, Yahatahigashi-ku, Kitakyushu)
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- Registration / Prior registration required (via phone)
- Contact / Kitakyushu International Association  
Foreigner Consultation Helpdesk 093-671-2606
- URL / [http://www.kitaq-koryu.jp/jp\\_new/](http://www.kitaq-koryu.jp/jp_new/)
- Content / A clinical psychologist is available for consultation and will  
work together to resolve psychological issues relating to  
trouble and stress in personal relationships.

### Kurume City Hall

#### Free consultation for foreigners

- Time and Date / 3rd Saturday each month  
(3/16, 4/20, 5/18) 13:00~16:00
- Venue / Kurume City Hall 3F Meeting Room  
(15-3 Jounanmachi Kurume)
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean
- Contact / Kurume Convention 0942-31-1717
- E-mail / [kokusaikoryu@ktie.or.jp](mailto:kokusaikoryu@ktie.or.jp)
- Content / Administrative scribes provide consultations on  
international marriage, naturalisation, nationality problems  
etc. Registration not required.

### Rainbow Plaza

#### Free consultation on Immigration, Residence and Nationality for foreign nationals

- Time and Date / 2nd Sunday each month  
(3/10, 4/14, 5/12) 13:00~16:00
- Venue / Rainbow Plaza  
(8F IMS 1-7-11Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese  
※For other language please enquire in advance
- Contact / Rainbow Plaza (Fukuoka International Association)  
092-733-2220
- URL / <http://www.rainbowfia.or.jp>
- Content / Consultation on residency requirements, naturalisation,  
international marriage etc. Reception closes 15:30.

#### Free Legal Counseling for foreign nationals

- Time and Date / 1st and 3rd Saturday each month  
(3/2-16, 4/6-20, 5/4-18) 13:00~16:00
- Venue / Rainbow Plaza  
(8F IMS 1-7-11Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Languages / Japanese, English, Chinese  
※For other language please enquire in advance
- Registration / Prior registration required (via homepage)
- Contact / Rainbow Plaza (Fukuoka International Association)  
092-733-2220
- URL / <http://www.rainbowfia.or.jp>
- Content / Free legal counseling for foreigners, by lawyers from the  
Fukuoka Lawyer's Association. 45mins per person.

#### Free Personal Counseling for foreign nationals

- Time and Date / Monday 10:00~18:00, Thursday 10:00~12:30,  
1st and 3rd Saturdays 16:15~19:00,  
other Saturdays 15:00~19:00
- Venue / Rainbow Plaza  
(8F IMS 1-7-11Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Languages / Japanese, English
- Registration / Prior registration required (via phone)
- Contact / Rainbow Plaza (Fukuoka International Association)  
092-733-2220
- URL / <http://www.rainbowfia.or.jp>
- Content / Counseling by a clinical psychologist in either Japanese or  
English. Those interested should enquire via phone or at  
the Rainbow Plaza counter.

#### Free Health Consultation for foreign nationals

- Time and Date / every Wednesday 17:00~19:00 (occasionally  
not held so please call to check in advance)
- Venue / Rainbow Plaza  
(8F IMS 1-7-11Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka)
- Languages / Japanese, English
- Contact / Rainbow Plaza (Fukuoka International Association)  
092-733-2220
- URL / <http://www.rainbowfia.or.jp>
- Content / A Japanese volunteer doctor provides consultation on  
various health matters for foreigners, in English and  
Japanese. Don't worry all alone—feel free to stop by for a  
consultation.  
Note that due to legal limitations, neither medical  
treatments nor prescribed medications are provided.

We are accepting information about consultation services for foreigners within the prefecture to publish in our next issue. Organisations wishing to have information published should enquire at Kokusai Hiroba (see back page).



# Supporting Membership Guide

Introducing the benefits of being a FIEF Supporting Member.

At the Fukuoka International Exchange Foundation, we are always looking for "Supporting Members" who agree with our founding objectives.

## Founding Objective

[Establishment Date: 27th June 1989]

Utilizing Fukuoka Prefecture's special geographical and historical characteristics, FIEF cooperates with other prefectural international exchange organizations to promote international exchange amongst citizens. As well as strengthening Fukuoka Prefecture's position as a focal point for international exchange, this deepens relationships with Asian countries and the rest of the world, contributing to greater mutual prosperity and world peace.

## World Gourmet Hiroba

Let's enjoy world cuisine! ~At present, you can receive special benefits at 24 stores from 9 countries!

 Indian Restaurants [HIMALAYA]・[DOMA DOMA]  
Member Special: 10% off  
(Excluding Lunch)



**March-only Offer** Free Lassi or Mango Lassi


TEL:Kyudaibyoin-mae 092-641-6556  
Hakozakieki-mae 092-611-0114  
Ryutsu Center 092-621-6288

 Zhonguo Shisen Cuisine Kounrai  
Member Special: 10% off  
(Excluding Lunch)



**April-only Offer** Free plate of pickles

TEL:092-282-5598  
14-27 Kami-gofukumachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka  
(in front of Hasuike bus stop)

 Korean Restaurant TAO  
Member Special: 10% off  
(Excluding Lunch)



**May-only Offer** Free vegetable salad buffet with order of all you can eat yakiniku

TEL:092-434-1205  
1F M Bldg. 2goukan, 3-22-5 Hakataeki-mae,  
Hakata-ku, Fukuoka

 Fukuoka Prefectural Museum of Art **Enjoy the exhibit at the group rate by showing your membership card!**

## The story of Mary Antoinette

Mary Antoinette, the fleeting French Queen who was swallowed up by the waves of revolution and disappeared at the young age of 37. Glamorous and refined in the royal court while troubled as a wife and mother, this display of works follows Antoinette's life until its resolute ending.

Told through 120 precious artifacts including family heirlooms handed down through generations of relatives in the French nobility, as well as items from the Carnavalet Museum in Paris and the Foundation Napoleon, this is the story of Mary Antoinette.

Dates

Saturday 27th April  
– Sunday 23rd June 2013

※Closed on:4/30.5/7・13・20・27.6/3・10・17

**Group Rate** General ¥1,100 SHS/University ¥800,  
JHS/Elementary ¥400

**Enquiries** 092-715-3551

**Museum Address** 5-2-1 Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka

Alexander Kucharsky "Queen Marie Antoinette" 1791  
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## There are benefits to becoming a Supporting Member!

- Our "Kokusai Hiroba" newsletter delivered to you 4 times a year.
- Free participation in the "Kokusai Hiroba Café" event.
- Receive discounts at supporting stores, including World Gourmet Hiroba registered stores, international travel and hotels, cultural centers etc.

Those wishing to receive a Supporting Membership Application by mail, please contact Kokusai Hiroba.

**Annual Membership** Students: ¥1,000/person General: ¥2,000/person Corporate: ¥10,000/organization



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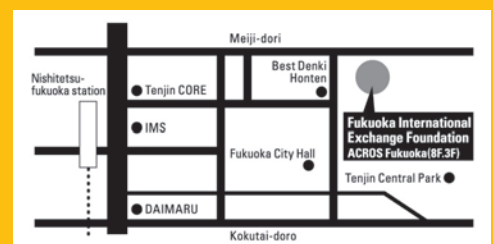
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3F Kokusai Hiroba

TEL:092-725-9200 FAX:092-725-9206  
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