Japanese Speech Contest for Foreign Residents

*Application Required

**Topic:** “Japan and I”

**Date & Time:** November 29 (Sat)

**Location:** Miyazaki, 8F

**Eligibility:**
1. Foreign Residents living in Miyazaki, including international students, that are 18 years of age and older.
2. Individuals whose native language is not Japanese.

**Divisions & Available Spaces:**
Non-students & Students, 10 participants in total

**Awards:** The winners of each division will be presented with a prize and certificate. An audience award will also be presented.

**Deadline:** Applications must be received by November 1 (Sat)

*Note: There will be an initial screening in case of multiple applicants

**To Apply:** Return your completed application form, along with the speech draft, to the Miyazaki International Foundation by post, fax, or E-mail (miiinf@mif.or.jp). The speech can be written in Romaji, and should be three to five minutes long.

**Applications & Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation

Disaster Management Seminar for Foreign Residents

*Registration Required

Learn about natural disaster related information necessary for life in Japan. Feel free to bring your family. We hope to see you there.

**Date & Time:** October 25 (Sat) 1:30 pm to 4:00 pm

**(registration starts at from 1:00 pm)**

**Eligibility:** Foreigners and international students of Miyazaki prefecture, and their families

**(Participants may bring Japanese guests)**

**Participation Fee:** Free of charge

**Deadline:** October 11 (Sat)

**Location:** Carino Miyazaki, 8F

**Lectures containing:** Lecture on typhoons, earthquakes, and tsunami in Miyazaki prefecture, confirmation of the local evacuation sites and shelters, etc.

**To Apply:** Fill out our application form and return it by fax, post, or E-mail. When applying by mail, write “bousai” in the subject line.

**Applications & Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation

International Chat Sessions (Korean & Chinese)

*Registration Required

**Dates & Time:**
[Korean] October 18 (Sat) 10:30 am - 11:30 am
[Chinese] October 28 (Tue) 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

**Location:** CARINO Miyazaki 8F

**Target Participants:**
individuals who wish to have conversations in Chinese & Korean language.

**To Apply:** Contact us by phone, FAX, or E-mail.

**Applications & Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation

9th Annual Art Festival Art Gallery “From the Outside Looking in” Collecting Entries!

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

**Divisions:**
Photography, Paintings, Calligraphy, Hand made Crafts, Other (Theme for the work is “Miyazaki”)

**Photographs can be sent as a soft copy but are limited to those taken within Miyazaki Prefecture. Submitted soft copy will be printed out in color on an A4 sized sheet of paper, and will not be returned.**

**Submission Limit:** Up to 2 entries per person.

**Size:** Up to 50 cm by 50 cm

**Submission Method:**
Submit by post, in person, or by E-mail.

**When submitting an entry, please attach your application form to your art piece. Your application form should include your name (with furigana), home country, occupation, contact information, name of your entry, a list of materials used in making your entry, a 50 word or less description of your entry, and a specification of the division of your piece.**

**Submissions by Post:**
Send to the Miyazaki International Foundation.
Drop offs: Bring to
1. Miyazaki International Foundation
2. Miyazaki University Global Support Office

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

**Submission Deadline:** November 1 (Sat)

**Display Date:** 11/26(Wed) to 11/29 (Sat)

**Awards Ceremony:** November 29 (Sat)

**Location:** CARINO Miyazaki, 8F

Japanese language lessons (beginner class)-Nobeoka & Miyazaki City

*Registration Required

The Miyazaki International Foundation will be hosting beginner level Japanese courses for foreign residents.

**Target:** Those learning Japanese for the first time, those who wish to start learning from Hiragana and Katakana

**Course Fee:** FREE

**Course Materials Fee:** ¥2,430 (not including tax)

**[Nobeoka]**

**Dates: & Times:** 8/26 (Tue) to 12/16 (Tue), 30 Sessions Total

Every Tuesday and Friday, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

*No Class on 10/3(Fri)

**Location:** Nobeoka Social Education Center

**Applications & Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation / Nobeoka City General Affairs Division

Tel: 0982-22-7006

**[Miyazaki]**

**Dates: & Times:** Sep 9 (Tue) to Dec 4 (Thu)

Every Tuesday and Thursday

10:10 am - 12:00 pm

25 sessions in total

**Location:** CARINO Miyazaki 8F Multipurpose Room B

**Applications & Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation
Daily Life and Legal Consultation for Foreign Residents  *Appointment Necessary, Free of Charge*

Are you having troubles with issues concerning visas, marriage, divorce, etc.? A lawyer or certified administrative procedures specialist will help you deal with these problems. Volunteer interpretation is available upon request. Consultation time is limited to 30 minutes per person.

**Date & Time:** December 6 (Sat) 10:00 am to 12:00 pm  
**Location:** CARINO Miyazaki, 8th Floor  
**Application Deadline:** November 28 (Fri)  
**To Apply:** Please make your appointment by phone.  
*Let us know if you will need interpretation when making the appointment.*

**Applications & Inquiries:** Miyazaki International Foundation

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**Japanese Practice Sessions  *FREE, No Registration Required***

**Dates & Time:** 10:30 am - 11:30 am  
[Wed] 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22,10/29  
[Fri] 10/3, 10/10, 10/17, 10/24,10/31  
**Location:** CARINO Miyazaki 8F, Multipurpose Room A

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**Announcement from the Miyazaki International Plaza Library Corner**

**Book of the Month**

**Name:** *The Alchemist* (English)  
**Author:** Paulo Coelho  
Written by a Brazilian novelist Paulo Coelho, *The Alchemist* is an international bestseller that has been translated in 56 languages. Centered on a young shepherd Santiago, the story develops as he constantly faces and overcomes dilemmas. The story is also a deep reflection of Coelho himself whose pursuit of a writing career was denied by his family. The novel is a great morale booster for those who feel lost in their lives.

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**October Event**

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| *Hyuga Jugoya (full moon)* Festival | 10/11(Sat)-10/12(Sun) | Hyuga Central downtown area & station | Hyuga Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
Tel: 0982-52-5131 |
| *Takanabe Castle Lantern Festival* | 10/11(Sat)-10/12(Sun) | Takanabe Maizuru Park | Takanabe Castle Lantern Festival Executive Committee  
Tel: 0983-26-2018 |
| *Ebino Autumn Festival* | 10/18(Sat)-10/19(Sun) | Ebino City Green Park Ebino | Coca Cola West Co. Ltd  
Green Park Ebino  
Tel: 0984-25-4211 |
| *Obi Castle Festival* | 10/18(Sat)-10/19(Sun) | Nichinan Obi Castle | Nichinan Tourist Information Office  
Tel: 0887-31-1134 |

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**Becoming Miyazakian**

**Quenching my Baking**

Heyne Kim  
Miyazaki Prefecture CIR

Aside from gamelan, another hobby that I had to give up here is baking. I used to bake at least once a month for my own pleasure as well as friends birthdays and teacher appreciation, but it has become challenging to hone my baking skills since I moved into an apartment in Miyazaki that came with a tiny kitchen and of course no oven. I was saddened at times, but after a year of transition now I have a new hobby to replace baking—a pastry shop tour! It was originally a quick solution for birthday gifts, but as my repertoire became longer I have realized that getting to the shops and checking out their specialty menus are just as satisfactory as baking at home. Plus, it has been a great motivation for me to explore the areas I was unfamiliar with. The weather is perfect for an outing these days, so if you are looking to appease your sweet tooth or want to share your local knowledge with me, just let me know and we will plan an adventure together!