



Miyazaki International Foundation

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©Plaza Holiday Closing

The Miyazaki International Plaza will be closed from July 23rd (Thu) to July 24th (Fri).

Traditional Japanese Culture Workshop “Sadō”, Traditional Japanese Tea Ceremony in a Traditional Folk House *Registration Required, FREE

We are going to hold a Traditional Japanese Culture Workshop on “sadō” in July. 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** : July 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. Hisayoshi 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**:

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Elementary Japanese Language Course for Foreign Residents

*Registration Required

The Miyazaki International Foundation will be hosting beginner level 1&2 Japanese courses for foreign residents.

◇**Date & Time**: Jun. 2nd (Tue) to Sep. 3rd (Thu), 2020

*No classes on 7/23(Thu), 8/11(Tue), 8/13(Thu)

Every Tuesday and Thursday (25 sessions in total)

Level 1 & 2 : 10:10 am - 12:00 pm

◇**Location**: CARINO Miyazaki B1

◇**Target**:

Level 1: Those learning Japanese for the first time.

Level 2: Those who can read Hiragana and Katakana.

◇**Course Fee**: FREE

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

◇**Inquiries & Application**: Miyazaki International

Elementary Japanese Language Course for Foreign Residents (Evening class)

*Registration Required

We will hold a beginner level 1 Japanese course for foreign residents in the evenings .

◇**Date & Time**: Jul. 28th (Tue) to Oct. 27th (Tue), 2020

*No classes on 8/13(Thu), 9/22(Tue)

Every Tuesday and Thursday (25 sessions in total)

6:20 pm - 8:10 pm

◇**Location**: MSG Building 10

(1-3-3 Oimatsu, Miyazaki-city)

◇**Target**: Those learning Japanese for the first time.

◇**Course Fee**: FREE

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

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

Request to Everyone Participating in MIF Events

Please observe the following measures to help prevent the spread of COVID-19.

- Please make sure to either wash your hands or sanitize them with the disinfectant provided at the entrance, both before and after class.
- Please make sure to wear a mask and practice the proper etiquette if coughing or sneezing.
- If you feel unwell due to a fever or cough, please refrain from coming to class.
- Please practice social distancing as much as possible.



Japanese Practice Sessions

***FREE, No Registration Required**



◇**Dates & Times:** [Wed] 7/1, 7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29
[Fri] 7/3, 7/10, 7/17, 7/31
10:30 am - 11:30 am

◇**Location:** CARINO Miyazaki B1 Floor

◇**Inquiries:** 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 9/5 (Sat).

In the case of multiple applicants, potential volunteers will undergo a screening process.

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

◇**Volunteer Period:**

Oct. 1st (Thu) to Mar. 31st (Wed)

*Excluding Holidays

◇**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:** Transportation expenses not covered; no monetary rewards (*however, 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)



A Message from the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

We have opened a Kids' space in the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents. Now you can come for a consultation and bring your children. We also have some picture books, puzzles, drawing books, origami and toys, etc. If you find yourself in the Carino Miyazaki building, feel free to stop by the Support Center. Anyone can use the Kids' space! (*Priority will be given to those who have come for a consultation)

Inquiries :

Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

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Looking for Foreign Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help with Foundation activities. Feel free to make inquiries with the Miyazaki International Foundation If you have any questions related to volunteering.

【Examples of Volunteer Activities】

- Chats** (English, Chinese, Korean)
- International Exchange Courses**
(to be conducted in Japanese)
- Interpretation**



Inquiries: Miyazaki International Foundation



An Englishman in Miyazaki

"Summer Here, Summer There..."



Miyazaki Prefecture CIR
Marsh Graham

Hi everyone! I hope you're all keeping well. For a bit of a change this month, I had a request to put in some English puns, and thought it might be kind of fun for people who want to practice their English reading. See how many you can understand (or tolerate)!

This is certainly the time of year when you want July around in the shade and cool off. Sandily, however, that's not always possible. Humid not have any *nenkyū* left for a holiday, or could be too busy. So, water do? Give into pier pressure and spend the whole sea-sun in the office? Surely it would be better to seas the day and hit the beach at the weekend for a spot of *suica-wari* – the traditional Japanese practice of smacking a watermelon with a stick while blindfolded. I'd highly recommend you give it a try if you get the chance – it's a custom that's one in a melon! Even if it rains, don't let it dampen your spirits - it's also nice to kick back with a refreshing snack and a good book – even Shakespeare wrote about the splendour of a midsummer ice cream, after all. Of course, back in the UK, 80% of days are overcast, so it's very hard to plan a trip to the beach when you can't tell weather it will be sunny or tipping it down. In any case, the necessity of taking a break and heading to the seaside is crabsolute – so doughnut forget to take some time out and slow down this summer. It's also peak barbecue season, which reminds me of a famous quote: "Steak puns are a rare medium, well-done." Truer words, never spoken.

... I'll get my coat.

