Upcoming Classes and Sessions from the Miyazaki International Foundation

It's nearly April already! Life may not have quite returned to normal after the pandemic just yet, but as the days get warmer, here's hoping we get more of a chance to get out and about. In this month's *Living In Miyazaki*, we'd like to let you know a little about some of the courses and classes that the Miyazaki International Foundation is hoping to hold from April:



◆ Japanese Language course

These classes are aimed at people from overseas living in Miyazaki Prefecture. We are planning to hold Beginner Level 1 and 2 classes, Japanese Practice Sessions (*Nihongo renshūkai*), and Online Japanese Language course (Beginner Level 1, 2 and 3). Besides learning the language, it's also a great way to learn a bit more about Japanese culture.

◆ Japanese Practice Sessions (*Nihongo renshūkai*)

These sessions allow people to practice conversational Japanese with volunteers.

Chat Sessions



The Miyazaki International Foundation also organizes opportunities for Japanese people to practice their English, Chinese or Korean with volunteers, including the Coordinators for International Relations from the Prefectural Government. We hold these sessions in person every year, but for the first term of sessions this year, we decided to try hosting the sessions online. We hope it will allow people who live a long way from the MIF and haven't been able to take part in the sessions to join in.

Chat Sessions with the CIRs

These sessions will give people a chance to drop in for a chat with the Coordinators for International Relations (CIRs) from the Prefectural Government. Sessions will be held approximately once a month – the Chinese sessions will be on Tuesdays, Korean sessions on Thursdays and English sessions on Fridays, but speaking in Japanese is also fine! Each session will last about one hour.

OMore information about these sessions will be uploaded to our website and Facebook page soon – make sure to check it out!

Besides the sessions listed here, the Miyazaki International Foundation also organizes many other fun events for people in Miyazaki. Due to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, the schedules and content may be subject to change, but we hope you are able to take part!

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