



# PLAZA NEWS



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## Miyazaki International Festival ~Friends of the World~

Date: November 27<sup>th</sup> (Sun) 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm Venue: Miyako City 3F Ajisai Hall

### 17th 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!

◇Division: Photography, Paintings/Drawings, Calligraphy, Hand made Crafts

◇Display period: 11/15 (Tue) - 11/27 (Sun)

10:00am - 9:00pm

\*11/15 1:00pm - 9:00pm

\*11/27 10:00am - 4:00pm

◇Location: Miyako City Shopping Center 2F Gulliver square

◇Voting period: 11/15(Tue) - 11/27 (Sun)

\*The deadline to vote is 2:30pm on the final day.

◇Award ceremony: 11/27 (Sun) 4:00 pm -

### Stage Performance

Foreign residents and students living in Miyazaki will showcase dances and instruments from their home country. There will be a musical performance of the Chinese stringed instrument known as an 'erhu', Vietnamese traditional dancing, and more.

◇Time: 12:30pm - 1:30pm  
3:00pm - 4:00pm

### World Booth

There will be booths to introduce lots of different countries. Let's converse and interact with some of the foreign residents who live here in Miyazaki! People from the countries of South Korea, Singapore, the UK, Latvia, Jamaica, and more will be there.

◇Time: 12:00pm - 4:30pm



### Traditional Japanese Culture Workshop

Try on a suit of armour, and have your photo taken!

◇Time: 12:00pm - 4:30pm



### International Exchange Group Booth

Featuring activities of international exchange organizations within Miyazaki Prefecture.

- Miyazaki City International Association
- Kiyotake-cho International Association
- Miyazaki Brazil Friendship Association
- Miyazaki Prefecture Vietnamese Association
- Miyazaki Prefecture UNICEF Association and more! (confirmed)



◇Time: 12:00pm - 4:30pm



We will also be holding a stamp rally!  
Those who can collect the most stamps will receive prizes. (Scheduled: arriving 80 people)  
We look forward to your attendance!

\*The contents and schedule above are subject to change.



### Plaza Holiday Closing

The Miyazaki International Plaza will be closed  
on November 3<sup>rd</sup> (Thu) and 23<sup>rd</sup> (Wed).

### Nihongo Café in Nichinan

#### \*Free, Registration Required



Have fun practicing your Japanese with local residents!  
Anyone can take part. The class is free of charge.

◇Theme: Have fun practicing your Japanese!

-I want to know! About the disaster prevention in Nichinan!

◇Date & Time: November 20<sup>th</sup> (Sun) 1:30pm - 3:30pm

◇Venue: Sokyakusojin Center

◇Space Available: 15

◇How to Apply: Please send us your name, phone number, nationality and Japanese language level by fax or email.

◇Application Deadline: November 12<sup>th</sup> (Sat)

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki International Foundation

### Japanese Practice Sessions

#### \*Free, No Registration Required



◇Dates & Times:

[Wednesday] 10:30am - 11:30am 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30

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

[Saturday] 2:30pm - 3:30pm 11/12, 11/26

◇Venue: CARINO Miyazaki B1F

◇Inquiries: Miyazaki International Foundation

### Traditional Japanese Culture Workshop (Nichinan) "Let's make the Japanese dish ozouni (a soup of containing rice cakes and vegetables)"

#### \*Free, Registration Required

Let's make the traditional Japanese food for the new year known as ozouni together.

◇Dates&Time: December 10<sup>th</sup> (Sat) 10:00am - 12:00pm

◇Venue: Manabi-Pia (Nichinan)

◇Spaces Available: 12 (first come, first served)

◇Target: Foreign Residents of Miyazaki

◇Fee: Free

◇To apply:

◇Deadline: November 29<sup>th</sup> (Tue)

◇Inquiries & Application: Miyazaki international Foundation



## International Chat Sessions Korean Second Term \*Registration Required

Try chatting in Korean with the Coordinators for International Relations from the Prefectural Government or volunteers from South Korea!

◇**Dates & Times:** 12/1, 12/15, 1/12, 1/26, 2/9, 2/16  
Thursdays 6:00pm - 7:00pm  
6 sessions in total

안녕하세요!



◇**Venue:** CARINO Miyazaki B1F

◇**Target:** Those who can make basic conversation in Korean

◇**Spaces Available:** 5 (If there are more applicants than spaces, we will give priority to patrons.)

◇**Application Deadline:** November 21<sup>st</sup>(Mon)

◇**Fee:** patrons and students ¥1,000 (6 sessions)

non-members ¥3,000 (6 sessions)

middle school students and under ¥500 (6 sessions)

◇**To Apply:** Apply in person, by phone, or by e-mail and provide your name, address, contact number, and e-mail address.

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

## International Understanding Lecture – Germany “Germany’s tourist spots – have a quick look at Germany with Lars” \*Free, Registration Required

Berger Lars will talk about the history and culture of his home country, and share the not so well known charms of German cities that are not written in guide books.  
(The talk will be given in Japanese.)

◇**Date & Time:** December 3<sup>rd</sup> (Sat) 10:00am - 12:00pm

◇**Venue:** MJ Hall (Miyakonojo)

◇**Lecturer:** Mr. Lars Berger

◇**Spaces Available:** 25 (First-come, first-served)

◇**Fee:** Free

◇**To Apply:** Please let us know your name, address and phone Number by phone, fax, email or in person.

◇**Application Deadline:** November 21<sup>st</sup> (Mon)

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

## November Event



Event	Date & Time	Venue	Contact
The 36 <sup>th</sup> Saito Kofun Festival	11/5 (Sat) 11:00am - 10:00pm 11/6 (Sun) 10:00am - 4:00pm	<b>Saito</b> The Saitobaru Kofun burial mounds	Saito City Tourism Association 0983-41-1557
The 41 <sup>st</sup> Aya Craft Festival	11/20 (Sun) - 11/22 (Tue) 9:00am - 5:00pm 11/23 (Wed) 9:00am - 4:00pm	<b>Aya Town</b> Aya Teruha Dorm	Aya Town Industrial Tourism Division 0985-77-3464

## A Scot in Miyazaki

“Glaswegian”



Miyazaki Prefecture CIR  
Eilidh Galloway

So it's been about a month and a half since I came to Miyazaki, and slowly but surely I think I'm getting used to it. A few weeks ago, I had some of my first school visits, which ended up being really fun (I hope for both me and the students!) One of the things I like to introduce when I give talks at the schools in Miyazaki is the difference between different parts of the UK. A common mistake made by lots of people in Japan is that the South of England is representative of all of the UK. In order to explain the differences in culture between the northern and southern parts of the UK, I try to teach the kids different UK accents, the one I know most about obviously being my own, the Glaswegian accent.

The Glasgow accent is not only very distinctive within Scotland, but most people from the UK can recognise it when they hear it. We say 'ken' instead of 'know', 'belter' instead of 'good', and 'baltic' instead of 'cold'. Anything that's remotely small requires the prefix 'wee', and when asked a question we say 'how' instead of 'why'. 'Aye' means 'yes', and we end all our sentences in 'but', even though grammatically it makes no sense. If you 'havnae a scooby' (not got a clue) what I'm talking about, look up a TV show called 'Still Game', it's set in Glasgow, so I'm sure you'll see what I mean.

Accents can make language learning challenging, especially when you're trying to teach others your language. But language learning and teaching is also all about exposure. Although my accent has become diluted since I've lived away from home for a few years, it comes back whenever I go home. I look forward to meeting more people and learning about their accents and teaching them more about mine!



## A Message from the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents

### Daily Life Consultations for Foreign Residents (Vietnamese & Chinese) \*Free, Reservation Required

Consultations are available in Vietnamese and Chinese about any problems in your life. People from Vietnam and China will be on hand to listen if you have anything to discuss.

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

\*Consultation may be subject to cancellation due to the status of the COVID-19 pandemic.

◇**Date & Time:**

<Vietnamese> November 5<sup>th</sup> (Sat) 2:00pm - 4:00pm

<Chinese> November 19<sup>th</sup> (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 B1F) TEL: 0985-41-5901

FAX: 0985-41-5902 E-mail: support@mif.or.jp

### Daily Life Consultations for Foreign Residents in Nobeoka \*Free, Reservation Required

Staff will be available for consultations concerning everyday difficulties. You can consult with us in your native language.

(We may use machine translation and phone interpreting services for consultations) Consultations are strictly confidential.

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

\*Online consultations (using Zoom) will be available.

◇**Date & Time:** November 25<sup>th</sup> (Fri) 1:00pm - 3:00pm

◇**Venue:** Shimin Gallery, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Nobeoka City Hall



◇**How to Apply:** Priority will be given to advance reservations. You can also come in person (up to 30 minutes per appointment). Please send us an email or fax at least one day in advance containing: ① your name, ② contact details (telephone number), ③ what you would like to discuss, and ④ what language you would prefer to use for consultation.

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