

『A Brief Introduction to the Miyazaki International Foundation』

宮崎県国際交流協会の紹介



The Miyazaki International Foundation (MIF) works to promote internationalization and intercultural exchange throughout Miyazaki Prefecture. We also organize events and courses to deepen friendships and encourage mutual understanding with people of all nations, and help to support people from overseas who live in Miyazaki. In this month's Living in Miyazaki, we will give a brief introduction to the Miyazaki International Foundation and the sort of things we do:



- Promoting Internationalization

We hold lectures for Miyazaki residents about multiculturalism, and from speakers from overseas to promote cross-cultural understanding. We also dispatch instructors to schools and other places around the area to increase awareness of different cultures.

- Encouraging Exchange

To provide more opportunities for residents of Miyazaki Prefecture to interact with people from overseas, we organize various events, such as the “International Festival”, opportunities to chat with Coordinators for International Relations from the Prefectural Government, and Chat Sessions where people can speak with volunteers in English, Chinese or Korean. We also support regional groups and organizations that work to promote international exchange.



- Supporting Residents from Overseas

We provide courses such as Japanese lessons and seminars on disaster preparedness, to help people from overseas living in Miyazaki. We also hold training courses for volunteers supporting foreign residents, as well as operating the Miyazaki Support Center for Foreign Residents, where people from overseas can stop by for assistance with any problems that they may be facing.

- Lending of Books, Costumes, Flags and World Boxes

Visitors can borrow books on multiculturalism, international cooperation, overseas study, books in foreign languages, Japanese language textbooks and teaching materials, and much more. We also have flags, toys, instruments, books from, and information on, various countries available to lend for free.

You can keep up to date on the Miyazaki International Foundation and the events we run by checking our homepage, or the latest copy of Plaza News, our monthly newsletter.

Our office on the first basement floor of the Carino building on Takachiho-dori, west of Miyazaki Station, is open from 10AM to 7PM, Tuesday to Saturday. Make sure to stop by if you're in the area!

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