

## **Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth Bridges-to-Friendship Award Recipients**

The Bridges-to-Friendship Award is given periodically to a local individual or organization for fostering friendship and understanding between Japanese and Americans in North Texas. Past Recipients include:

**Shinsuke Takahashi (2018)**

Chairman of the Board and Head of  
Government Relations,  
NEC Corporation of America

**Mark Berry (2017)**

Chair, Dallas-Sendai Committee

**Fort Worth Japanese Society (2016)**

**Ann and Gabriel Barbier-Mueller (2015)**

**Timothy C. Jones (2014)**

Educator, Callisburg Independent School  
District (Retired)

**Texas Rangers Baseball Club (2013)**

**Mr. Shogo Kamei (2012)**

President, Tohoku Japan America  
Association

**The Honorable John M. Stich (2011)**

Honorary Consul General of Japan at Dallas

**Mrs. Margaret Crow and Mr. Trammell S.  
Crow (2010)**

The Trammell & Margaret Crow Collection of  
Asian Art

**Mrs. Naoko Shirane (2009)**

Senior Advisor to the State of Texas

**The Honorable Ron Kirk (2007)**

Former Mayor of Dallas

**Mrs. Elaine Yoko Yamagata (2006)**

Founder, Fort Worth Japanese Society

**Dr. H. Neill McFarland (2005)**

Founder, Japan-America Society of  
Dallas/Fort Worth

**Dr. Norman P. Neureiter (2002)**

Former Honorary Consul General of Japan

**Haynes and Boone, LLP (2000)**

**EDS and The Honorable Hitoshi Honda,  
Consul General of Japan (1996)**