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Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner



Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner
Tuesday, April 4, 2017 | 6:00 - 9:30 PM
The Westin Galleria Dallas

Sun & Star Legacy Award Recipient:
Yoshihiko Miyauchi
Senior Chairman, ORIX Group

Bridges-to-Friendship Award Recipient:
Mark Berry, Chair, Dallas-Sendai Committee

Honorary Hosts:
Ambassador & Mrs. J. Thomas Schieffer

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Donate to the Silent Auction!

Support the Japan-America Society with a **tax-deductible donation to our Silent Auction**, held at the Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner on April 4. Items will also be available for bidding online. We accept gift cards, merchandise, services, Japanese household goods, and other items valued at \$50 or more. **Donate by Friday, March 24.**

[Auction Donation Form](#)

Volunteers Needed - Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner

Everything is in place for the Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner - except you! Highly professional volunteers with excellent customer service skills are needed to support this prestigious corporate event. It's sure to be an exciting evening. Contact cori@jasdfw.org to apply.

Travel to Sendai with JASDFW!

[Details](#)

Sendai 20th Anniversary Friendship Tour

Travel Dates:
July 2 - 10, 2017



Celebrate 20 years of international friendship. Travel to Sendai. Experience Sendai's unique culture and Japan's beautiful scenery on this commemorative trip.

- Sample Sendai cuisine and visit Kirin Brewery
- Meet the Mayor of Sendai and community groups
- Choose your day trip: mountain getaway or coastal tour
- Take the bullet train from Sendai to Tokyo
- Enjoy sightseeing and shopping in Japan's capital

Cost: \$3,350 Double Occupancy | \$3,450 Single Occupancy

Includes airfare, lodging, ground transportation, group activities, and some meals

Register by April 24, 2017

[More](#)

Celebrate Samurai Spring Break with JASDFW!

Samurai Spring Break at the Samurai Collection

Tuesday, March 14 - Sunday, March 19, 2017 | 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM daily | Free Admission

The Ann & Gabriel Barbier-Mueller Museum: The Samurai Collection ([map](#))

Spend your spring break exploring the world of the samurai! From Tuesday to Sunday, take part in free, family-friendly activities presented in collaboration with the Japan-America Society. Featured events include:

- Kamishibai (Japanese storytelling) with JASDFW
- Family Warrior Yoga with Colby Ranae Hanks
- Calligraphy in the Gardens with JASDFW

[More](#)

Classical Piano Performance in Fort Worth

It Takes Two

Thursday, March 16, 2017 | 7:30 PM | Free Admission

Steinway Hall - 3717 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76107 ([map](#))

Fort Worth Japanese Society members **Evan Mitchell** and **Natsuko Ejiri** will present three centuries of music by Bach, Chopin, Ginastera, and more. [More](#)

Opera Simulcast at The Star in Frisco

Madame Butterfly - Dallas Opera Simulcast

Saturday, March 18, 2017 | 5:00 - 9:30 PM | Free Admission

Outdoor Pavilion at the Star in Frisco ([map](#))

Watch this critically-acclaimed Dallas Opera production of *Madame Butterfly* at the World Headquarters

of the Dallas Cowboys! The classic Italian opera will be simulcast live from the Winspear Opera House in the Dallas Arts District. Enjoy free family activities from 5-7 PM. Opera begins at 7:30 PM. [More](#)

Children's Day Luncheon at the Fort Worth Japanese Society

March Luncheon - Kodomo-no-Hi

Sunday, March 19, 2017 | 12:00 PM | Free Admission

Fort Worth Japanese Society ([map](#))

Children's Day, or Kodomo-no-Hi, is a combination of two Japanese holidays: Boys' Day and Girls' Day. The Fort Worth Japanese Society will observe this festival with Japanese games, cultural activities, and traditional dishes. [More](#)

Buddhist Art Exhibit - Iwasaki Tsuneo

Wisdom of Compassion: The Art and Science of Iwasaki Tsuneo

Saturday, March 11 - Sunday, June 11 | Free Admission

Crow Collection of Asian Art ([map](#))

Japanese artist and scientist Iwasaki Tsuneo painted as an act of devotion. His paintings are composed of characters from the *Heart Sutra*, the core text of Mahayana Buddhism, juxtaposed with ethereal, evocative imagery. [More](#)

Iwasaki Tsuneo Workshops and Lectures

Coinciding with the opening of the Iwasaki Tsuneo exhibition *Wisdom of Compassion*, the **Crow Collection of Asian Art** and **Austin College** will host lectures and workshops throughout the month of March. [Crow Collection Events](#) | [Austin College Events](#)

Wednesday, March 22 | 4:30 PM

Painting Enlightenment: The Art and Science of the Heart Sutra
Austin College, Wright Campus Center 231

Thursday, March 23 | 11:00 AM

"Brushing the Heart" Contemplative Inkbrush Workshop with Dr. Paula Arai
Austin College, Johnson Gallery

Thursday, March 23 | 4:30 PM

"What Do You See?" Conversations with Science and Humanities Faculty
Austin College, Idea Center 127

Painting Enlightenment: The Art and Science of the Heart Sutra

Saturday, March 25 | 12:45 PM - 4:45 PM

Crow Collection of Asian Art

Webinar on Japanese Economics

Japan in 2017: Economic Outlook & Trends, Status of Abenomics, and JETRO's Role in Promoting Foreign Direct Investment

Thursday, March 23, 2017 | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

[Register for free](#)

Ichiro Soné, Chief Executive Director of The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Chicago, will provide an update on the current state of the Japanese economy. This free webinar will examine diverse issues such as tax reform, the expected impact of the 2020 Olympics in Tokyo, and Prime Minister Abe's "Abenomics" economic agenda.

Accepting Applications - Young Professionals' Trip to Japan

2017 TOMODACHI-Mitsui & Co. Leadership Program

Travel dates: June 30 - July 8, 2017 | Tokyo and Iwate Prefecture

Apply by Thursday, April 13

Are you a young professional with an interest in the future of U.S.-Japan relations? The TOMODACHI-Mitsui & Co. Leadership Program is seeking ten Americans from the public and private sectors for a ten-day trip to Japan to explore innovation, new technology, and other factors affecting the bilateral relationship. Transportation, hotel, and meals will be provided. A TOMODACHI program of the U.S.-Japan Council. [More](#)

Thank you, volunteers!

Japan Update Symposium

Keiko Suzuki

Robin Mallon

Award Dinner: Invitation Mailing

Mieko Akasaka

Juri Hirakawa

Yukie Imanaga

Hanami by the Dallas Arboretum

Masayo Blanchard

Juri Hirakawa

Ai Koh

Nobuko Yamazaki

Kinokuniya Carrollton Grand Opening

Shawna Brooks

Juri Hirakawa

Sarah Ishikawa

Brendan McLaughlin

Dakshana Nagaraj

Teru Nii

Hana Nii

Takeshi Shirakawa

Photo Gallery

Japan Update Symposium | February 17



[Full Gallery](#)

Cultural Celebration at Kinokuniya Carrollton | February 25



[Full Gallery](#)

Upcoming Events and Activities

March 11 - June 11	Wisdom of Compassion: The Art and Science of Iwasaki Tsuneo
March 14 - 19	Samurai Spring Break
March 18	Madame Butterfly Simulcast in Frisco
March 19	Fort Worth Japanese Society Childrens' Day Luncheon
March 22-23	Iwasaki Tsuneo Workshops at Austin College
March 24	Painting Enlightenment: The Art and Science of the Heart Sutra
April 4	Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner and Silent Auction
April 13	America-Japan Society Centennial Celebration
May 14	Sendai International Half Marathon
June 30 - July 8	TOMODACHI-Mitsui & Co. Leadership Program
July 2 - July 10	Sendai 20th Anniversary Friendship Tour
September 16	Sun & Star Golf Classic
Weekly	Dallas Japanese Language and Culture Meetup (Meetup.com)
Weekly	Dallas Japanese and English Language Exchange (Meetup.com)