January Newsletter

JASDFW NEWS

CORPORATE MEMBERS

PLATINUM | $5,000

2022 Mochitsuki New Year's Celebration is CANCELLED, however, we will be posting a special Mochitsuki video on

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Special Announcement for 2022 Mochitsuki New Year's Celebration

We have made the difficult decision to cancel the Mochitsuki New Year's Celebration in January. We were genuinely looking forward to our first in-person Mochitsuki in two years, but the event will be cancelled out of an abundance of caution. This is due to the recent rise in COVID infections, that many of our precious young Mochitsuki attendees are still not eligible to receive vaccine shots, and the fact that the event historically has a large attendance in an enclosed space. In place of the in-person program, we are working on a special video to be released in late January on the Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth YouTube Channel.
New Individual Membership Benefits

We are excited to announce a new perk for individual members. Our Tomodachi, Samurai, and Hatamoto members can now enjoy discounted rates for stay at the Miyako Hybrid Hotel in Southern California. Thank you to JASDFW corporate member Kintetsu Enterprises Company of America for its assistance. A similar discount for the Miyako Hotel Los Angeles in the Little Tokyo neighborhood is near approval and we are exploring similar arrangements with other locations around the country. Join or upgrade your membership today! Contact us at info@jasfdw.org for more information or to receive details on how to redeem the hotel benefit.

Join or Upgrade Membership

[Online Event] Japanese Language Classes

Japanese Class 1 - 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. CST on Wednesdays, February 9 to March 30
Japanese Class 2 - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. CST on Wednesdays, February 16 to April 6

Join JASDFW for its first language classes of the year. Japanese class 1 is for beginners who are looking for a general understanding of the Japanese language and to practice some common expressions used in personal conversations. Prior knowledge of Japanese characters (Hiragana, Katakana, & Kanji) is not required to take this course. Japanese class 2 is a continuation of Japanese Language Class 1 and designed for beginning level learners who have some or very little knowledge of basic Japanese.

This course is recommended as a next step to those who
have taken any of the JASDFW basic Japanese classes offered in 2021. The course focuses on reviewing and reinforcing understanding of basic Japanese sentence structures, especially with the use of basic particles, as learners learn and practice some common expressions used in personal conversations.

Register Here

Japanese Language Workshops

Human Rights Past and Present: Reflecting on 80 Years since Japanese American Internment

Thursday, February 10, 2022
5:45 p.m. Special exhibition opens, 6:15 p.m. Reception, 7:00 p.m. Program
Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum
300 North Houston Street, Dallas, TX 75202
Free and donations appreciated

Presented by the Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth, the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum, AJC Dallas, and the SMU's John G. Tower Center for Public Policy and International Affairs

Starting in 1942, nearly 120,000 Japanese Americans, two-thirds of whom were U.S. citizens, were stripped of their civil rights and forced into incarceration camps across the western and southern United States. Join us for a discussion on the origins and legacy of these actions and hear stories of Japanese Americans affected by internment, including thousands who, despite being interned, volunteered for military service through the famed 442nd Regimental Combat Team, the 100th Infantry Battalion, and the Military Intelligence Service. This event is presented in conjunction with the special exhibition Courage and Compassion: Our Shared Story of the Japanese American World War II Experience, on display at the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum. Speakers include:

- Dr. Rick Halperin - Director of Human Rights Program, Southern Methodist University
- Dr. Karen Korematsu - Founder and Executive Director, Fred T. Korematsu Institute
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Business events in February and March

Investing in North Texas and the United States: Japan’s Dynamic Financial Sector
Friday, February 25 at Westin Galleria
11:30 a.m. Registration, 12:00 p.m. Lunch and Program

2022 Japan Currents Symposium: Logistics and Supply Chains in U.S.-Japan Business and Trade
Wednesday, March 9 at Irving Convention Center
11:30 a.m. Registration, 12:00 p.m. Lunch and Program, 1:45 p.m. Panel

Mark your calendars for two important business-focused events in early 2022. On February 25, SMBC Americas Division CEO Hiro Hyakutome and Japan expert Dr. Ulrike Schaede will talk about Japanese banks’ role in the U.S. economy with a focus on Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation. On March 9, our annual Japan Currents Symposium returns as an in-person event. Scott Price, President of UPS International, and Mollie Bailey Haney, Director at Transplace International, will discuss developments in the supply chain and current U.S.-Japan trade. Additional speakers will be confirmed soon.

JASDFW corporate members in the Shogun Circle level receive limited complimentary tickets for both programs. Paid tickets will also be available for other members and non-members. Registration is already open for the February 25 event and it will open soon for the March 9 program. Contact Paul Pass at paul.pass@jasdfw.org for more information.
Job Announcement: Audit Senior Managers and Audit Staff - Bilingual Japanese - Remote/Home Based

IP Living is looking to place talented Audit Professionals in high-profitable CPA firm

Open Positions:
- Audit Senior Managers and Seniors – Salary up to $150,000 - 3 to 6 years of experience in CPA Firm.
- Audit Staff – Salary up to $95,000 – Minimum 2 years of experience in CPA firm.

Requirements:
- Bachelor of Science in Accounting.
- Candidates currently (or recently) must have experience with a Big-4, national, or large local CPA firm.
- Must have Bilingual Japanese and English language skills.

Location:
Fully Remote, Home base available. Relocation and H1 visa transfer assistance are available for exceptional out-of-town candidates. Candidates may choose to live anywhere in the US and permanently work from home.

Qualified Candidates interested:
Please contact Ivonne Castro and submit resume at jobs@ipliving.net

IP Living Website:
www.ipliving.net
Ikebana International Dallas Chapter 13
Meeting
Thursday, January 20
9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. CST
Hyatt Place - 3100 North Dallas Pkwy, Plano TX 75093
Admission included with membership
Visitors able to join for two free meetings

Join Ikebana International Dallas Chapter 13 for its January monthly meeting. Motoko Ishihara will teach about the colors of Japan and their meaning in kimonos and traditional patterns. Regular Membership is $80, Friend Membership is $25, and Dual Membership is $20. Contact ikebanadallas@gmail.com for more information.

JAL Foundation's 17th Annual World Children's Haiku Contest 2021-22
Now - February 28, 2022
Entry Cost: Free

Originating from Japan, Haiku is the shortest form of poetry in the world. In a short descriptive verse, it captures a moment in the poet's life, or simply expresses the beauty of nature. Haiku is now enjoyed in
many countries around the world.

Through the World Children's Haiku Contest, children are given the opportunity to compose haiku that will encompass their memories. The theme of this year’s 17th contest is 'Towns.' All Grand-prize haiku will be collected and published next year as an anthology titled *Haiku By World Children, Volume 17*, and will be shown in the entertainment programs of Japan Airlines international flights.

Application Rules:

- One entry per child (either typed or handwritten) on the theme of “Towns”.
- Applicants must be the age of 15 and under on February 28th, 2022.
- The haiku must be accompanied by hand-drawn or hand-crafted artwork on the same page, using A4-sized paper (21 cm x 29.7 cm) or letter-sized paper (8.5 in. x 11 in.).
- Glue the application form on the back of the work.

To learn more and to enter into the contest, click here.

### Events Calendar

**NEW MEMBERS**

Individual/Family
- Cruz Rios
- Oliver Schlaffer
- Yumiko Schlaffer
- Melissa Stubblefield
- James Chris Tijerina

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **February 10** | Human Rights Past and Present: Reflecting on 80 Years since Japanese American Internment
- **February 25** | Investing in North Texas and the United States: Japan's Dynamic Financial Sector
- **March 9** | SAVE-THE-DATE 2022 Japan Currents Symposium: Logistics and Supply Chains in U.S.-Japan Business and Trade
- **March 22-24** | SAVE-THE-DATE Ikebana and Japanese Culture Workshops - Details coming soon
- **May 26** | SAVE-THE-DATE 2022 Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner - Details coming soon

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