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June Newsletter

JASDFW NEWS

CORPORATE MEMBERS

PLATINUM | \$5,000



[ONLINE EVENT] Journey to Tsukiji Market: A Neighborhood & Virtual Tour

Wednesday, June 15

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. CDT

Register for FREE



HAYNES BOONE



The Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth is excited to partner with Arigato Japan Travel on a virtual exploration, especially as tourists will soon be able to return to the country. We will venture to the Tsukiji Market, an area of Tokyo known for generations as a destination for fresh fish, produce, and a flavor of authentic Japan. Although several wholesale fish sellers moved to the new Toyosu facility, 65 specialty vendors and hundreds of traditional businesses are still here, which makes this part of town still one of the best food areas in all of Tokyo.

[Register Here](#)

[To learn more about this event, click here.](#)



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TOYOTA



[Online] Summer Japanese Language Class
Summer Japanese Class 1 - 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. CDT on
Thursdays, July 14 to September 1

This course is for beginners who are looking for a general understanding of the Japanese language and to practice some common expressions used in personal conversations. Students will learn some basic Japanese grammar and sentence structures as they learn how to introduce themselves and share simple personal details in Japanese. They will also learn familiar and basic expressions, and a variety of greetings useful in daily conversations.

While this course is focused on conversational Japanese, by the end of the course, students will be able to recognize Hiragana and its differences between the other writing systems. Prior knowledge of Japanese characters (Hiragana, Katakana, & Kanji) is not required to take this course.

[Register Here](#)

[To learn more about our language class, click here.](#)



2022 Annual Sake Tasting and Lecture
Friday, July 15 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. CDT
Central Five Hundred (JASDFW building)
500 North Central Expressway, Plano TX 75074
Members \$35 / Nonmembers \$45 /
Nonmembers with membership bundle \$70 (Save \$15)

After successful online programs in 2020 and 2021, the sake tasting and lecture returns as in-person event. This

is one of the Society's most popular annual programs and a highlight of our summer schedule. We will have a guided experience led by our friends at Sake Social, complemented with local Japanese cuisine. For the first time in the event's history, we will also add shochu to our menu. This distilled alcoholic beverage typically comes from rice, barley, sweet potatoes, buckwheat, or brown sugar.

[Register Here](#)

[To learn more about this event, click here.](#)



SAVE-THE-DATE:

August Beer Garden and September Otsukimi

Japanese Beer Garden - Saturday, August 13 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. CDT

Rollertown Beerworks - 412 North Oklahoma Street #106, Celina TX 75009

Otsukimi Moon Viewing Festival - Saturday, September 10 from 7:00 - 10:00 p.m. CDT

Simpson Plaza at Frisco Square - 8843 Coleman Boulevard, Frisco TX 75034

Both events free to attend, more details to be released soon

Our 23rd Otsukimi celebration returns to its normal September schedule with performances, demonstrations, local vendors selling goods, Japanese cuisine, and family fun! In August, we will partner with Rollertown Beerworks on an evening with family activities and a specially-brewed Japanese lager:

House of Warlords (5.5% ABV | 18 IBU) was brewed in honor of Rollertown Head Brewer Tommy's time spent serving in the US Air Force in Japan. He fell in love not only with Japan, but also with clean, crisp Japanese lagers brewed with minimal ingredients. House of Warlords is clean and subtle on the nose; it offers cracker-like malt flavors and a crisp, slight bitterness, which creates an effervescence that's synonymous with Japanese lagers. In the brewing process, Tommy used a hop called "Sorachi Ace," which are the same hops developed to make Japan's famed Sapporo extra premium lager in the late 70s.



Programs Manager job opening

Join our team! We are hiring for the Programs Manager position. This job will support the Society's growing list of monthly events and signature programs, such as the Sun & Star Legacy Award Dinner, the Japan Currents Symposium, and the Mochitsuki New Year's Celebration.

[More Details / Apply Here](#)

COMMUNITY EVENTS & RESOURCES

CORPORATE MEMBERS

GOLD | \$2,500

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In memoriam: Yoshiyuki Kasai and Norman Mineta

We mourn the loss of two former Sun & Star Legacy Award recipients, who both passed in May 2022.

2015 recipient Yoshiyuki Kasai was the Honorary Chairman of the Central Japan Railway Company (JR Central) and he played a key role in privatizing Japan's national railways in the late 1980s.

2004 honoree Norman Mineta served as the Secretary of Commerce under President Bill Clinton and Secretary of Transportation during 9/11 under President George W. Bush. Secretary Mineta was the first Japanese American to serve in the cabinet, which he accomplished after more than two decades in the U.S. House of Representatives and as Mayor of San Jose, California.



A-Kon Anime Convention

THIS WEEK: Friday, June 3 - Sunday, June 5
Irving Convention Center + Toyota Music Factory

A-Kon, first held in 1990, is the longest running anime convention in North America and is one of the largest and highest ranked anime conventions in the U.S. Join them this weekend as they host an active community of industry professionals, actors, and fans of anime, gaming, cosplay, music, fashion, manga, art, film, media and Japanese culture.

The 2022 event will take place Friday, June 3, to Sunday, June 5, at the Irving Convention Center at Las Colinas and the Toyota Music Factory in Irving.

[To learn more about this convention, click here.](#)



Host a Japanese Exchange Student

States' 4-H is searching for host families for Japanese students visiting Texas this summer. Dates are between July 23 to August 15 and hosts must already have a child of the same gender who is within 4 years of the hosted youth's age. Families without children in the age range may host an adult chaperone. Learn more and apply below or contact Darlene Locke at darlene.locke@ag.tamu.edu.

[To learn more and apply, click here.](#)

Events Calendar

NEW MEMBERS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- [June 6-10 | Destination Japan summer camp - registration](#)

Hatamoto Level

Elaine Browning
Julia Wada

Individual/Family

Izumi Collins
Misaki Collins
Jolisa Dobbs
Jase Fragoso
Jesse Fragoso
Nancy Fragoso
Jordan Taichi Knight
Madoka Leonetti
Dakshana Nagaraj
Thear Suzuki

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