

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

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

Fort Worth Sister Cities International (2023)
Honoring Fort Worth-Nagaoka relationship

Mr. Hideto Nishitani (2022)
Founder of Virtuous Capital LLC
Former Chairman, President, and CEO of
ORIX Corporation USA

Ms. Anna McFarland (2021)
Former Executive Director of
Japan-America Society of Dallas/Fort Worth

Dallas Kiyari Daiko (2019)

Mr. Shinsuke Takahashi (2018)
Chairman of the Board and Head of
Government Relations,
NEC Corporation of America

Mr. Mark Berry (2017)
Chair, Dallas-Sendai Committee

Fort Worth Japanese Society (2016)

Mrs. Ann and Mr. Gabriel Barbier-Mueller
(2015) The Samurai Collection

Mr. 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)