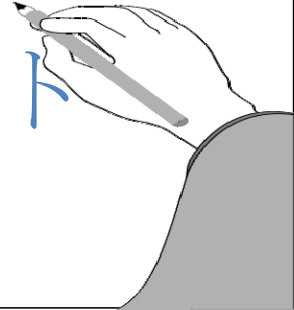


ミシガン 2016
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2016 Michigan Japanese
Language Speech Contest



High School Students!
University Students!



If you **love** Japanese, a real challenge and
the chance to win **great** prizes, join us for the
Michigan 2016 Japanese Language Speech Contest
Applications and information are available through your
language instructor or online at
www.detroit.us.emb-japan.go.jp.

The event will be on
Saturday, February 27th, 2016
from 1:00PM
Novi Civic Center

Deadline for Entries
January 27, 2016

In Cooperation with:

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit
The City of Novi
The Japan Business Society of Detroit
Delta Air Lines
The Japanese Teachers Association of Michigan
The Japan America Society of Michigan and Southwestern Ontario

THE CONSULATE GENERAL OF JAPAN IN DETROIT 2016 MICHIGAN JAPANESE LANGUAGE SPEECH CONTEST

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit is pleased to announce that applications are now being accepted for the 2016 Michigan Japanese Language Speech Contest. The competition, now in its 21st consecutive year, was established to encourage students to experience the power of foreign language communication, increase the desire for Japanese language students to improve their skills and understanding, and strengthen the bond of friendship between the United States and Japan through their efforts. We welcome your participation.

DATE Saturday, February 27, 2016
from 1:00PM

LOCATION Novi Civic Center – Council Chamber
45175 West 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375

DIVISIONS Speech Division

CATEGORIES High School
University

DEADLINE **5PM – January 27, 2016**

Entry forms, speech text in English and Japanese
and audio of speech in Japanese (see application form)

IN COOPERATION WITH City Of Novi

FORM Additional forms, criteria and essay paper may be
downloaded from our website.

*For questions please contact Mr. Adam Wolf at the Consulate office
(313-567-0120 ext.226, or pr@dt.mofa.go.jp)*

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ENTRY FORM

<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Last Name		First Name	Name in Katakana
High School	University	Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior	<input type="text"/>
Category (circle one)	Year (circle one)	Contact Email Address	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
School Attending	Current Course (e.g. Japanese 2, JPN350)	Japanese Instructor	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Your Native Language	Parents' Native Languages	Prior Speech Contest Participation	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Japanese Courses Completed		Japan Visits, Purpose & Length of Stay	
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>	
Name of Speech in English		Name of Speech in Japanese	

Please submit to our office by 5PM on January 27th:

- o Entry Form – Original
- o Speech Text – Original
- o English Translation (*Word file preferred*)
- o Audio of speech (*digital*)

Email Address

Digital transmissions of entry form, texts, translations and audio may be sent to pr@dt.mofa.go.jp.

Please limit files to .pdf, .doc, .wav and .mp3 formats.

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CONTEST RULES AND GUIDELINES

SPEECH CONTEST SPECIFICS

- ❖ **Two Categories:** High School; University
 - ❖ **Time Limit:** Three minute maximum for high school category; five minute maximum for university category. Penalty points may be assessed for exceeding time limits.
 - ❖ **Topic:** Topics are open to the extent they are not offensive or inappropriate.
 - ❖ **Presentation:** Performances of any kind (storytelling, musical, recitation, etc.) are not permitted. Limited use of note cards *for reference only* is permitted. Props are not permitted.
 - ❖ **Judging:** Scoring will be based on language (vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation); content (authentic use of language, creativity, appeal); and delivery (organization, poise, memorization, cultural authenticity). In addition, participants may be asked questions, in Japanese, regarding their speech, as a component of their score.
 - ❖ **Award:** First, Second and Third Place winners will be selected from each category
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- ❖ Native Japanese speakers, or those with a native-speaking parent, are ineligible.
 - ❖ Candidates having stayed in Japan more than one year total are not eligible.
 - ❖ Speeches, must be original and written by the students. Any appearing to have had too much input from teachers or native speakers may be excluded.
 - ❖ Submit two copies of the speech in Japanese followed by its English translation and one audio recitation in .wav or .mp3 file format.
 - ❖ First Place winners of a prior contest are not eligible to enter in the same category.
 - ❖ All submissions must be done by email. English translations should be in Word document format; applications and speech drafts may be submitted as pdf's; and audio must be in .wav or .mp3 file format.
 - ❖ **TIP** Translated speeches can seem unnatural. Try writing the original in Japanese for a more authentic sounding presentation and accurate demonstration of your ability. Emphasis should be placed on delivery and language that is natural and expressive, utilizing culturally appropriate verbal, as well as non-verbal language and avoiding superficial or stereotypical behavior