



CALENDAR
Exhibits & Events

Thursday, February 8th
[CJS Thursday Lecture Series | Identity Politics in Japan @ Weiser Hall](#)

Friday, February 9th
[CJS Special Lecture | Japanese Economy: Successful Recovery, Challenges, Foreign Policy, and US Relations @ Weiser Hall](#)

Saturday, February 10th
[Cincinnati Ballet Japanese-American Dancers Reception @ Cincinnati Music Hall](#)

Sunday, February 11th
[University of Findlay Pops Concert: East Meets West With Traditional Japanese Dance @ TLB Auditorium Winebrenner Theological Seminary](#)

Tuesday, February 13th
[Dept. of Comparative Studies/CMRS Lecture: Yukari Yoshihara, "Shakespeare in Japanese Pop Culture" @ Mendenhall](#)

Thursday, February 15th
[CJS Thursday Lecture Series | Imperial Japan and the Nature of Borders in Occupied Inner Mongolia @ Weiser Hall](#)

Friday, February 16th
[Japan Update Symposium: "The Impact of Japanese Technology on the US Market" @ Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber](#)

Saturday, February 17th
[Courage and Compassion: Our Shared Story of the Japanese American World War II Experience @ Richard D. Baron Art Gallery](#)

Sunday, February 18th
[Detroit Open Kendo Tournament @ Seaholm High School](#)

Monday, February 19th
[Acceptance @ Mary Idema Pew Library » Multipurpose Room](#)

Wednesday, February 21st
[IJS Lecture: Lynne Miyake, "Gender Flipped, 'Cutie,' \(Non\) Eroticized Subject/Objects of Consumption and Production: The Manga Comics Tales of Genji" @ Will Eisner Seminar Room, Billy Ireland Cartoon Library and Museum](#)

Thursday, February 22nd
[CJS Thursday Lecture Series | A Woman's Network in Japan around 1800 @ Weiser Hall](#)

February 24th-25th
[Symposium on Interdisciplinary Approaches to East Asian Languages Pedagogy @ Ohio State University](#)

Saturday, February 24th
[Kimono Portrait Session @ R&L Digital Studio](#)

Saturday, February 24th
[2018 Michigan Japanese Language Speech Contest @ Novi Civic Center](#)

Monday, February 26th
[IJS Event/Brad Richardson Memorial Lecture: Takeo Hoshi, "Japan's Labor Market and Comparative Macroeconomic Perspectives with the U.S. Economy" @ Mason Hall Rotunda](#)

Friday, March 2nd
[IJS Lecture: Jeffrey Angles, "Resurrecting Orikuichi Shinobu's The Book of the Dead" @ Page Hall](#)

Sunday, March 4th
[Dublin Japanese Festival @ Dublin Scioto High School](#)



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2018 Michigan Japanese Language Speech Contest

On Saturday, February 24th, the Michigan Japanese Language Speech Contest will be held at the Novi Civic Center. This annual competition is coordinated by the Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit with support from Delta Air Lines, the Japan Business Society of Detroit (JBSD), the Japanese Teachers Association of Michigan (JTAM), and the Japan America Society of Michigan and Southwestern Ontario (JASMSO).

Both high school and university students are invited to demonstrate their language ability through delivering original speeches entirely in Japanese. The students present to a panel of judges and the winners are chosen based on their performance and accuracy.

The event begins at 1 P.M. If you have the opportunity, please attend the competition.

20th Annual Detroit Open Kendo Tournament



The Detroit Kendo Dojo will be hosting their 20th Annual Open Kendo Tournament on Sunday, February 18th at Seaholm High School in Birmingham, Michigan. There will be people from across the United States, Canada, and Japan participating in the tournament.

This tournament has continued to expand due to the hard work and perseverance of Kendo Hanshi 8-Dan Yoshiteru Tagawa. Since coming to the United States in 1975, he has promoted kendo nationwide and turned it into a household name.

This year the tournament will feature Kenshi Kyoshi 8-Dan Fumihiro Miyazaki from Kanagawa, Japan. He was the winner of the Emperor's Cup in the All Japan Kendo Championship in 1997.

Please come and enjoy this exciting event!

Brad Richardson Memorial Lecture on Japan's Labor Market and the U.S. Economy

The Institute for Japanese Studies (IJS) at Ohio State University will be hosting a special lecture on February 26th at the Mason Hall Rotunda. The presentation is titled "Japan's Labor Market and Comparative Macroeconomic Perspectives with the U.S. Economy." The visiting lecturer is Takeo Hoshi, Henri and Tomoye Takahashi Senior Fellow at the Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center and Professor of Finance at the Stanford Graduate School of Business.

Professor Hoshi will speak from 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. For more information, please visit [here](#).

Hinamatsuri Event at the Detroit Institute of Arts

On Sunday, March 4th, the Detroit Institute of Arts will once again host Hinamatsuri (Girls' Day Festival) presented by the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit and Japan Cultural Development. This year is the ninth consecutive year our Consulate and the DIA have partnered together to celebrate this annual day set aside in Japan specifically to honor young girls.

Festival dolls representing an Imperial Wedding will be on display, as well as demonstrations of tea ceremony, calligraphy, origami and kimono dressing, along with koto performances, flower arranging workshops and other surprises. Join us in DIA's Rivera Court and Great Hall from 11AM for the fun and excitement of Hinamatsuri! The event is free with admission and open to the public.

New Position Opening at Consulate General of Japan in Detroit

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit is seeking a highly motivated, team-oriented individual for the Research Analyst in the Political/Economic Affairs Section at the Consulate office in the GM Renaissance Center, Downtown Detroit. For more information, please visit the recent news section of our website [here](#).

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