



CALENDAR

Exhibits & Events

Through March 2022:
[Beyond the Woodblock](#) @
Dayton Art Institute, Dayton,
OH

Through Dec. 10, 2021:
[On Mourning and
Representation](#) @ U-M
Institute for Humanities, Ann
Arbor, MI

Tues., November 2
[UM-CJS Lecture on Youth
Representation in Aging
Japan](#) @ Ann Arbor, MI and
online

Wed., November 3
[Novi \(MI\) Library Japanese
Conversation Group](#) @
online platform

Fri., November 5
[JASCO Japanese-English
Language Meetup](#) @
Columbus, OH

Sat. & Sun., Nov. 6 & 14
[Ann Arbor \(MI\) Japanese
Language Meetup](#) @ online
platform

Wed., November 10
[JASGC Way of Tea Webinar](#)
@ online platform

Thurs., November 11
[Hofu-Monroe Book Club](#) @
online platform
[UM Penny Stamps Artist
Speaker Shizu Saldamando](#)
@ online platform

Fri.-Sun., November 12-14
[Wife of a Spy film screening](#)
@ Detroit Film Theatre,
Detroit, MI

Sat., November 13
[Traditional Music of Japan
Concert](#) @ Homerville, OH

Sun., November 14
[Hinoki Foundation
Japanese Cooking
Workshop for Kids](#) @
Ypsilanti, MI

Mon., November 15
[OSU-IJS Lecture on John
Bingham and Japan](#) @
Columbus, OH and online

Fri., November 19
[JASCO Wagashi Sweets
Workshop](#) @ Columbus, OH
[JASGC Webinar on Butoh](#)
@ online platform
[Van Buren District Library.
Anime/Manga Club](#) @
Covert, MI



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Consulate Salutes Spring 2020 Recipient of Imperial Decoration



This fall, the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit celebrated the conferment upon Professor Emeritus William Malm of an Imperial Decoration for his significant contributions toward promoting exchange and friendship between Japan and the United States. In Ann Arbor on September 9, Consul General Shindo officially presented the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Neck Ribbon, to the musicologist, who served on the University of Michigan faculty for 34 years. Dr. Malm's conferment was originally announced in April 2020, but the traditional reception celebration had to be modified due to the pandemic.

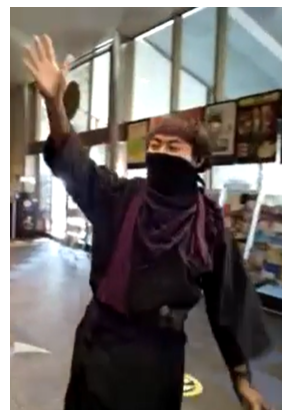
Sister-Cities Keep Ties Strong Virtually



Over the past two years, many sister-city exchange activities have been cancelled or postponed, but some communities in Michigan and Ohio have found ways to interact virtually with their sister-cities in Japan. For example, the international friendship associations in Worthington, OH, and Sayama, Saitama, recently held an online "Tour of Gardens" in both towns, which have been sister-cities since 1999.

Residents of Monroe, MI, and Hofu, Yamaguchi, which have been sister-cities since 1993, have been meeting online every other month this year, and a Monroe County Library branch has been hosting monthly online book club discussions with Hofu residents about famous Japanese novels that have been translated into English.

Another example is the city of Koka, Shiga (the sister-city of three Michigan towns, DeWitt, Marshall, and Traverse City, since 2005) where a local museum recently hosted a "Shiga Ninja Tour," attended online by viewers on both sides of the Pacific. The Consulate applauds the creative efforts of all who are keeping sister-city ties strong!



Cranbrook Japanese Garden Revitalization Efforts Continue



In October, Consul General Shindo met with members of a committee supporting the ongoing redesign and improvement of the Japanese Garden at Cranbrook Educational Community in Bloomfield Hills, MI. The Consul General and his wife took part in one of the tours of the garden, led by Mr. Sadafumi Uchiyama, the landscape architect designer of the master plan for the garden's upgrade. Along with Mr. Greg Wittkopp, Director of the Cranbrook Center for Collections and Research, Mr. Uchiyama explained the improvements made so far, and those planned for the future. The ultimate goal is to make the garden a tranquil, beautiful example of Japanese culture that is open to the public for all to enjoy.

JET Program Application Deadline Nears



The application deadline for the 2022 Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Program is Friday, November 12. Through the JET program, thousands of native speakers of English work in local schools and agencies in Japan, teaching about their native languages and cultures. More information about the JET Program is available [here](#).

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