



NAPIA is a newsletter issued by Nagasaki International Association for foreign residents.

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Introduction to the Nagasaki International Association

We promote international exchange by acting as a bridge between Nagasaki and a variety of countries from all over the world. We provide a wide range of information on life in Nagasaki and opportunities for international exchange. This edition of NAPIA contains more detailed information on specific activities and events that we hold. We are open every week, Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 5:30 pm. Our lobby contains many books, pamphlets and other materials that are free to access, and we also regularly hold Japanese culture classes.



The 17th Nagasaki International Festival was a Great Success!

The 17th Nagasaki International Festival was held on Sunday, October 25th 2015 at the Dejima Koryu Kaikan! The event went very well thanks to the great weather and the international food and booths set up by the various organizations from around the prefecture. Around 2,300 people attended the event and I'm sure they all had a fun time. We hope to see you at the 18th Nagasaki International Festival!



Announcement - 2016 Calendar Market ~ International Cooperation that you can do too~



From Friday, January 15th to Sunday the 17th, we will be selling calendars and memo pads (in the 100 to 1,000 yen price range) that were donated by companies all over Japan. This calendar market is intended to promote international cooperation and will be hosted by Student's International NGO BOAT. All of the proceeds will be donated for the purpose of support for people abroad. Won't you support international cooperation by buying a calendar? There will be many kinds of calendars on offer so please find one that suits you. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Date & Time: Friday, January 15th 2016 ~ Sunday, January 17th 2016 from 10am to 3 pm.

Place: Dejima Koryu Kaikan (2-11 Dejima-machi, Nagasaki city)

※Next to Nagasaki Prefectural Art Museum



Please also check out the Fairtrade market on the same Friday and Saturday from 11am to 3pm. Show your support for international cooperation by buying some Fairtrade goods or attending the workshop!

A new Coordinator for International Relations (CIR) has arrived!



My name is William Morgan. Please call me “Will”. I’m from the state of Virginia, in America. It’s on the east coast, just south of Washington DC. I am 29 years old. This is my fifth year of living in Japan. My hobbies are reading, running, and Brazilian Jujitsu. I was 20 when I first came to Japan. At that time, I went to Hokkaido. I lived in places like Sapporo and Hakodate for two years and then went back to Virginia to go to college. My major in college was International Politics. In 2013, I graduated from the University of Virginia and in the same year I came back to Japan. This time I came to Nagasaki’s own Fukue Island, in the Goto Archipelago, to be an Assistant Language Teacher. I helped with the English lessons in Elementary and Middle schools and I enjoyed working with the students very much. I loved the time I spent on Goto. Takahama Beach is the best! This August I changed jobs and I’ve come to Nagasaki city to work in the International Affairs Division at the Prefectural Office. I hope to see you at “Talk with the Coordinator for International Relations (CIR)” at the Nagasaki International Association!



Questions from the NIA!

Q1. Are there any customs or habits from Japan that you would like to take home to your own country?

A1. I would like to take home the custom of bowing. I think it’s natural to get used to bowing while working in Japan but in America bowing is quite foreign. Once, back in America I bowed to someone with whom I was talking to on the phone. Since that person couldn’t see me, my friends around me that could see me found that very funny. If everyone in America had the habit of bowing then that situation wouldn’t have been so odd.

Q2. What do you think is the secret to second-language acquisition?

A2. I’m still studying Japanese so I’m not sure I’m qualified to answer but I think that studying frequently is very important.

Q3. Where in Japan would you like to visit?

A3. If I visit Kagoshima that means that I will have visited every Prefecture on Kyushu so I would like to go there. While I’m there I would especially like to do sightseeing on Yakushima.

Talk with the Coordinator for International Relations (CIR)

Nagasaki Prefecture’s CIRs, Will from America, Bae from Korea, and Kaku from China, come in turns to the exchange floor (1F) of Dejima Koryu Kaikan every Wednesday from 4pm to 5pm. You can speak English, Korean, Chinese, or Japanese with them! Please come for a chat and some international exchange! You can see which of them will be there each week on the NIA homepage.

Attendance fee: Free. No need for reservations.



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Nagasaki Chosen as a Top 3 Night View!

Nagasaki city was chosen as one of the three best night views in Japan by the “Night View Summit 2015 in Kobe” which was held on October 9th, 2015.



Why Nagasaki’s night view is great:

① A Dynamic Landscape Interwoven with Ups and Downs

Why is Nagasaki’s night view so beautiful? The secret is in the landscape. Nagasaki Port, which has also been named “Port of the Crane” due to its shape resembling a crane spreading its wings, in the center and the mountains surrounding it like a great mortar combine to create Nagasaki’s unique and dynamic three-dimensional nightscape.

② A magical nightscape that stirs the imagination

There are many beautifully illuminated buildings in Nagasaki and each shine in wondrous fashion. These magical and exotic lights certainly stir the imaginations of all those who catch a glimpse of them.

③ There are many superb views to be enjoyed

One of the charms of Nagasaki’s nightscape is that it can be enjoyed from many different viewpoints such as the iconic Mt. Inasa viewpoint, as well as Mt. Nabekamuri, and Kazagashira Park. Since the viewpoints are different, they will each show you different expressions of the landscape. With so many views to choose from there’s no way to grow tired of Nagasaki’s landscape.

④ Even greater illumination during events

There are many events held in Nagasaki that make the city shine with even greater light such as the Lantern Festival, Nagasaki Kunchi Festival, and the Christmas Illuminations. During those events the volume of lights increases and that makes the views all the more enjoyable.

⑤ Not only top three in Japan but also top three in the world!

Nagasaki is also in the top three night views in the world along with Hong Kong and Monaco. Nagasaki is a model of the beauty of not only Japan but of the world too.



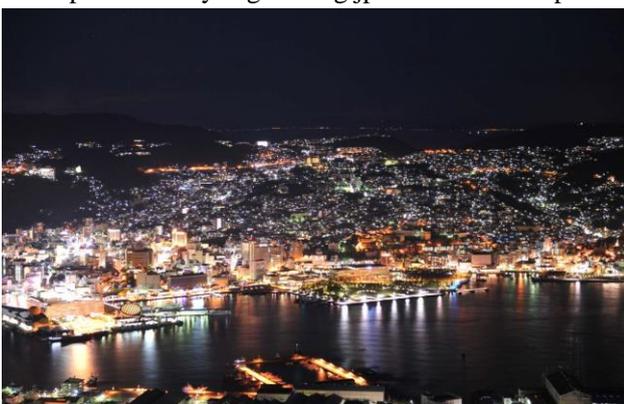
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※Due to construction, Nagasaki Ropeway will be closed from May 7th, 2015 to February 5th, 2016. Please check the Nagasaki City homepage for information on free shuttle busses and bus tours are available to get to the summit.

URL: <http://www.city.nagasaki.lg.jp/kanko/850000/p026253.html>





Beware of the Flu this Winter!



■ How is it different from the common cold?

The common cold can be caused by many different kinds of viruses, but most commonly is signaled by a sore throat, runny-nose, sneezes, and coughs but not full-body symptoms. Common colds don't raise a fever to the point that flues do and generally don't become very serious. On the other hand however, the flu is caused by an infection by a flu virus. Full-body symptoms like fevers above 38 degrees, headache, joint pain, and muscle ache appear suddenly. They will also often be accompanied by the common cold symptoms listed above. This can occasionally cause severe illnesses like acute encephalopathy in children and can lead to pneumonia in the elderly or those with weak immune systems.

■ Please employ these measures to make sure you don't get the flu.

◇ Everyday prevention methods

- Stay away from crowds and when you go out, wear a mask.
- When you return home, wash your hands and gargle.
- Make sure to get sufficient nutrition and rest.
- Heat your home and make sure to ventilate regularly.



◇ Coughing etiquette

- When you find yourself coughing or sneezing, please wear a mask. Please read the instructions for the mask and wear it correctly.
- When you cough or sneeze and you aren't wearing a mask, please cover your mouth and nose with a tissue and get at least 1m away from the people around you and not sneeze in their direction.
- Do your best to create a situation where you can throw away used tissues in trash cans with lids.

★ There is a lot of useful information on the NIA homepage so please check it out!

◇ Nagasaki Hospital Guide

This is a list of the medical treatment facilities in the Prefecture that have services in foreign languages. There are also lists of the names of body parts and illnesses in Japanese. There are sections for English, Chinese, and Korean.

URL: <http://www.nia.or.jp/gaikoku/upfile/hospital.pdf>

◇ Multi-language Medical Questionnaire

Please use this when explaining an illness or injury to a doctor.

URL: <http://www.kifjp.org/medical/>



If you have any comments or suggestions about NAPIA, Please let us know

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