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Introduction to the Nagasaki International Association

Do you know about the Nagasaki International Association?

We exist as a bridge between Nagasaki and many different countries across the world. We also provide a great deal of information on international exchange and life in Nagasaki. We are open from Monday to Friday,

between 9:00am and 5:30pm. We are closed on weekends and national holidays. We have books, pamphlets, and much more about international exchange available on our exchange floor which anyone is welcome to use. Please feel free to drop by!





Notice about the 19th Nagasaki International Festival

Organizations from all over Nagasaki Prefecture will gather to tell you about their activities as well as sell delicious food! There is something for everyone from children to adults to enjoy and it's a great opportunity to meet and converse with new people from different countries and cultures. Like last year, there will be a booth to try on kimono that you can wear over your clothing, as well as engage in Japanese culture directly by participating in Tea Ceremony (there will be a small charge). Please come out to the festival which is sure to be a fun day!

Date: 10:00 ~ 15:00 October 29th, 2017

Place: Dejima Koryu Kaikan (2-11 Dejima-machi, Nagasaki City) *it's next to the Nagasaki

Prefecture Art Museum

Entrance is free.

Please come to the festival by public transport, as there will be no parking available on the premises.





We are still looking for more volunteers to help us make this festival a great one! If you're interested in helping out, please visit our webpage. http://www.nia.or.jp/



The results of the 9th Japanese Speech Contest for Non-Native Speakers

The contest was held on June 17th, 2017 at the Nagasaki National Peace Memorial Hall for the Atomic Bomb Victims. This year there were twelve contestants from two different countries who gave speeches.



<First Prize>

Name: Zheng Xueping

Country: China

University: Nagasaki University



<Second Prize>

Name: Shao Yuelang

Country: China

University: Nagasaki University



<Third Prize>

Name: Lou Lina Country: China

University: Kwassui Women's University



< Future Prize / Director's Prize >

Name: NGUYEN THI TAM

Country: Vietnam

University: Nagasaki Institute of

Applied Science







日本語でおしゃべりしよう!"Chatting in Japanese"

is now available at the NIA!

Every Thursday starting at 1:30pm, a group of Japanese people called "Azalea" comes to the Exchange Floor of the NIA to have fun Japanese conversation with anyone who wants to join. Everyone is welcome so please come by to chat with us!

Hello! Won't you come and speak Japanese with us? We look forward to enjoying conversation with all kinds of people from exchange students to long-term expats! Please tell us about your country and its culture. We are also happy to talk about Japan and Nagasaki. We hope to deepen our mutual cultural understanding through talking about all sorts of different things. Even if you aren't confident in your Japanese we encourage you to come. We hope to see you soon!



Time: Every Thursday starting at 1:30pm

Place: Nagasaki International Association Exchange Floor

(2-11 Dejima-machi, Nagasaki City)

For questions please contact: kyoko_yg@ezweb.ne.jp

*Attendance is open to anyone, so the number of people attending (and their nationalities) will vary by the week.

Momijigari - Autumn Leaf viewing

From long ago, Japanese people have adored the red leaves of autumn. Momijigari, or Autumn leaf viewing, is an important fall tradition for many people since the changing of the leaves is so beautiful in Japan. And in Nagasaki especially, there are many places that are great for momijigari. Why not go see some of them and experience this fall tradition for yourself?

Nita Pass (Unzen City)

This Mecca of Unzen Tourism boasts stupendous views in every season. There are azaleas blooming in spring, lush greenery in the summer, the changing leaves in the fall, and silver frost in the winter. The ropeway also offers lovely views from high above. You're sure to be moved by the changing leaves that look like a red carpet unfurled before you!

Location: Unzen, Obama-cho, Unzen City, Nagasaki Prefecture 854-0621

About the Ropeway: http://unzen-ropeway.com/

Todoroki Gorge (Isahaya City)

Todoroki falls, which spring from Mt. Tara, are a series of more than 30 clear waterfalls, both large and small. The whole area is a natural treasure chest of wonders like the "Willow Falls" which makes rainbows with its falling water, and the roaring "Todoroki Waterfall". The forest at the source of the river will also change colors in the fall and is sure to make for a new and exciting atmosphere.

Location: Oyama, Zenjuuji, Takaki-cho, Isahaya City, Nagasaki Prefecture 859-1025



We have helpful guidebooks available for free!



The Nagasaki International Association created and now provides free-of-charge guidebooks aimed at assisting the expatriate community in Nagasaki. We've listed the guidebooks below with simple explanations. All of them are available for free at the Nagasaki International Association and are downloadable from our website.

A Guidebook for Living in Nagasaki Prefecture

You can find all the basic information you will need to live in Nagasaki Prefecture in this guide. It will teach you about residency matters, what you can do at your city or town hall, Japanese traffic laws, how to sort your rubbish, and other rules and manners that are followed in Nagasaki and Japan generally. This is an indispensable book for the start of your new life in Nagasaki!

This guidebook is available in Japanese, English, Chinese, and Korean URL: http://www.nia.or.jp/record/files/medias/07link/seikatugaido.pdf

Guide for Using Medical Institutions

This guide was made to assist expatriates when they visit the hospital. This guide includes lists of things you need when going to the hospital, types of hospitals, as well as illustrations of body parts and lists of symptoms to assist in explaining what's wrong. It also includes a medical questionnaire that should be filled out prior to visiting the hospital in order to make communication as smooth as possible. This guide is slim and compact, so it's easy to carry with you in the event of an emergency.

This guide is available in Japanese, English, Chinese, and Korean.

URL: http://www.nia.or.jp/record/files/medias/iryouguide.pdf

Things You Need to Know Before Disaster Strikes!!

From June to October every year, Nagasaki is struck with multiple typhoons, and with those come flooding. Furthermore, Japan is considered a country of earthquakes, and the one that occurred in Kumamoto last April shook Nagasaki with level 5 tremors on the seismic intensity scale. This guidebook tells you how to prepare for natural disasters and how to respond to them. Don't wait for a disaster to strike before thinking to prepare! Take this guide and start preparing today!

This guide is available in Japanese, English, Chinese, and Korean.

URL: http://www.nia.or.jp/record/files/medias/07link/saigai.pdf

Please tell your friends about these guides!



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