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About the Nagasaki International Association

Have you heard of the Nagasaki International Association?
We offer lots of information about international exchange and life in Nagasaki.

We are open Monday to Friday from 9am to 5:30pm.
(excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and Public Holidays)

Feel free to stop by!

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<https://www.nia.or.jp/>



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We are looking for supporting members for the NIA!

Membership Fee - Individual Members: ¥3,000/yr Corporate Members: ¥10,000/yr

If you would like to support international exchange activities in Nagasaki Prefecture and provide assistance to foreign residents by becoming a member, or if you would like further details, do not hesitate to contact the NIA for more information.

We held the Nagasaki International Festival again this year for the 20th time!

We held the 20th Nagasaki International Festival from 11 AM to 4PM on Sunday, October 28th 2018, at the Dejima Koryu Kaikan! The weather was great this year, and had food from various countries, booths from local International Co-operation & Exchange Groups and much, much more. This made the event a fantastic chance to learn about foreign countries from many perspectives. Also, there was the "Let's Wear a Kimono and Experience the Tea Ceremony" booth on the first floor, which was visited by many people, from adults to children. Everyone enjoyed selecting and trying on their favorite from all the kimonos with their beautiful colors.

We were fortunate enough to have almost 2,000 visitors. We hope you're looking forward to the 21st Nagasaki International Festival next year! ♪



Our International Co-operation Events!

Calendar Market 2019 ~You too can participate in International Co-operation~

Calendars and diaries donated by companies and groups from all over Japan will be on sale, with prices starting at ¥100. With international co-operation as its aim, all proceeds from this Calendar Market organized by the Students International NGO BOAT (in co-operation with the NIA) will be donated to the Shanti Volunteer Association. The Association provides education support and emergency relief to children in Asia.

Why not purchase a calendar or diary, and contribute to international co-operation? There will be many types of calendars available, so please find one you like. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Date & Time : 10 AM to 3PM, Sat January 19th to Sun January 20th, 2019.

**Location : Meeting Rooms 1 & 2, 4th Floor, Dejima Koryu Kaikan (2-11 Dejima, Nagasaki City)
※next to the Nagasaki Prefectural Art Museum**

※On Saturday January 19th, the event will also use Meeting Room 4 in the morning, and Meeting Rooms 3 & 4 during the afternoon.



Fair Trade Market 2019~Make a Purchase and Support International Co-operation~

Do you know the meaning of “Fair Trade”?

“Fair Trade” is fair trading that aims to improve the living and working conditions of producers and laborers in developing nations and work towards their independence. By selecting fair trade products in our daily lives, we can provide continuous support for these goals. At this event, local handicrafts as well as breads and sweets made using fair trade ingredients will be on sale. Why not start contributing to international co-operation by making a purchase close to home? We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Date & Time : 10 AM to 3PM, Sat January 19th, 2019.

**Location : 1st Floor, Dejima Koryu Kaikan (2-11 Dejima, Nagasaki City)
※ next to the Nagasaki Prefectural Art Museum**



From Thu August 23rd to Thu September 20th 2018, we hosted an intern from the University of Nagasaki who helped write articles for NAPIA, etc. The following is an article written by our intern, Ms. Yuka Dakeshita.

★ What kind of group is the Nagayo Town International Exchange Association?

Nagayo Town and Wethersfield Town, Connecticut, USA have similar geographic features, etc, so a sister town agreement was signed in 1997. Taking this as an opportunity, the Nagayo Town International Exchange Association was founded in 1998. The goal of our activities is to use exchange with people from all over the world to deepen mutual understanding, increase international awareness amongst local people, and to promote friendship and goodwill. Our core activities are language courses and international cooking classes, etc. There are weekly language courses for Chinese & Korean, as well as English, all year round.



Mascot Characters from
Wethersfield Town and Nagayo Town

★ Please tell us about the special event held last year to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the sister town agreement, the “Sister Town International Cooking Class”!

Last year, the teachers at Highcrest School in Wethersfield Town, the sister school of Nagayo ES, provided us with a recipe for traditional Onion Shortcake using red onions, which are a local specialty in Wethersfield Town. We held a cooking class based around that recipe. At the opening ceremony, we had an explanation of Wethersfield Town and its local specialties, as well as a lecture from ALT Lindsay Brelsford, who is from the state of Connecticut. We think local people were able to gain a deeper understanding of Wethersfield Town.



The State of Connecticut, USA,
where Wethersfield Town is located.



★ With this year marking your 20th anniversary, what events have you held?

1. “Sweets from Around the World – A Cooking Class”

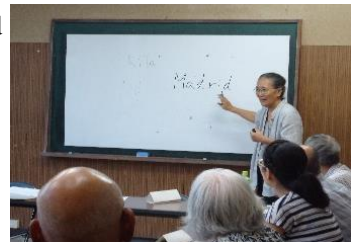
Participants of all ages, from elementary schoolers to the elderly, made a different traditional sweet from different countries in groups: “Yori Yori” from China, “Streuselkuchen” from Germany, and “Apple Pie” from the United States. The event ended with everyone trying the all the different sweets.



2. 『Foreign Language Course for Travel』

We held 3-day courses in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese. Participants mostly learned about conversation skills required for shopping, and at airports and hotels.

The course was very well received, and we received feedback such as “There are few opportunities to learn Spanish and Vietnamese in Nagasaki, so I was able to learn an uncommon language” and “Because it was held over a short period of three days, people who can’t usually come were able to attend.”



★ Having held events and courses for 20 years so far, what have you found most difficult?

It was difficult to find participants when holding lectures on “International Co-operation”, which can be an unfamiliar theme for many. For that reason, we thought carefully how to promote these events in a way that will attract people’s interest. Although it is hard to all the needs of the local people in our activities, we are making plans to accommodate an even broader range of age groups.

★ At what times do you feel that your work is really worthwhile?

When we hold an event, we call for volunteers, starting with the members of the International Association. When we are able to work together with all these people to make the event a success, I really feel that our work is worthwhile.

★ Please tell us about future events you have planned!

As the main event to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the founding of the International Association, we are holding a lecture with “International Understanding” as the theme. (Date: January 27th, 2019, Location: Nagayo Town Municipal Culture Hall, Speaker: Youichi Watanabe).

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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 in April 2016 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>

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