

#### THE JAPAN SOCIETY OF BOSTON A BRIDGE BETWEEN CULTURES

# Monthly Newsletter











#### **JSB Programming**



#### Wednesday, December 14th, 2022 - 6:00 PM EST **Online Program**

Join the Japan Society of Boston, Boston Shufukai Kendo, and Boston Kendo Kyokai for an introduction to Kendo, the way of the sword. This is the fourth and last installment in our BUDŌ Series, featuring traditional Japanese martial arts.

At the event, Toshimi Yoshida, Kendo *Kyoshi* (elite teacher) 7th dan and David Harrison, Kendo 5th dan, will introduce us to Kendo, highlighting its history as well as how the practice and matches are performed. They will talk about how Kendo has enabled them to focus on humility and self-development over the course of their lifetime. This is a great opportunity to learn how budo can help us change and grow throughout our lives. We hope you will join us!

Register Here



#### Saturday, December 3rd, 2022 - 5:00 PM EST (4:00PM CST) Online Program

Learn how to make **Salmon Teriyaki Bowl** with our friends from The Japan-America Society of Georgia, the Japan-America Society of Houston, The Japan-America Society of Washington DC, and the Japan-America Society of Greater Philadelphia! We will also make a salad with carrot ginger dressing and for dessert, put together a simple ice cream with Sweet Azuki Bean topping.

This family-friendly event is taught by our favorite cooking teacher, Debra Samuels and made possible by the collaboration between Table for Two and the five Japan or Japan America Societies!

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Japanese Song Lyrics Explained 12/5
What Does it Mean to Love? 12/6
Inside Contemporary Poetry 12/7
My Japan Journey 12/8
Virtual Happy Hour 12/9





Thank you for your support

DEC 5TH - DEC 9TH

\$5 for one event \$20 for all events

#### December 5th - 9th, 2022 - 7:00 PM (EST) Online Program

Join us during the first week of December for our annual Fundraising Extravaganza! From December 5th to December 9th, 2022, JSB will host five events, all led by members of our very own JSB Staff. Learn about contemporary poetry, popular Japanese song lyrics, love in the classic novel *The Tale of Genji*, and more, all while supporting your favorite non-profit Japanese cultural organization! Your support helps us keep top-quality programming accessible across the country - we hope you'll join us this week to have some fun and preserve this community for the future.

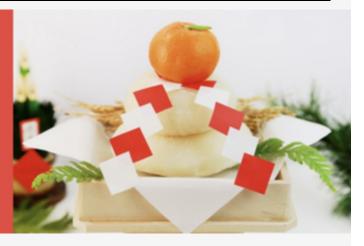
#### YEAR-END HOLIDAYS IN JAPAN: ONLINE EXPERIENCE WITH ARIGATO TRAVEL



December 20th at 6pm EST December 21st at 8am JST







## Tuesday, December 20th, 2022 - 6:00 PM EST Online

Have you heard about "Oshogatsu"? Meet us for this online interactive experience to celebrate the winter season and learn about some of Japan's most important holidays! Lauren, our expert host, will join us virtually from Tokyo to share about the Japanese Christmas and New Year's season. Learn about the history and culture of year-end events in Japan through a variety of games and activities, and get to know why this time of the year is significant and unique. We hope you'll join us!

This program is made possible in collaboration with **Arigato Travel**.

Register

## Join the JSB Language Room

A Japanese and English
Virtual Language Exchange





#### Friday, November 18th, 2022 - 6:00 PM EST

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**Online** 

Practice your Japanese (or your English) at our next online Japanese / English language exchange. Our theme for this session is: Souvenir (□□□)

Our monthly language room is sponsored by Temple University, Japan Campus

(TUJ). TUJ is the oldest and largest foreign university in Japan. For more information, please visit their website: <a href="https://www.tuj.ac.jp/ug">https://www.tuj.ac.jp/ug</a>

Register

#### **Programs for JSB Members**



## Tuesday, November 15th, 2022 - 6:00 PM EST Online

Join us to discuss *The Tale of Genji* by Murasaki Shikibu. We will be discussing **chapters forty-two through forty-six**.

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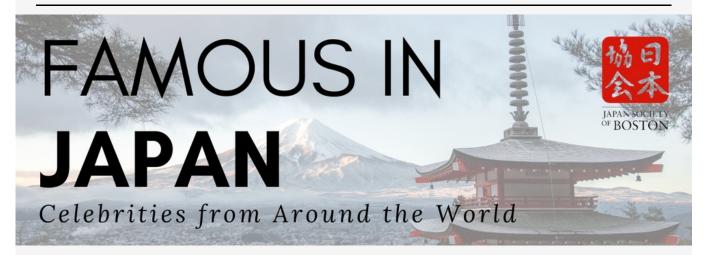
#### **More Content from JSB**





We are teaming up with **Kokoro Media** in Japan to bring you "Japan Viewed from the Inside." This month we are featuring an interview with Cynthia Usui titled "Taking the Road Less Traveled through Japan's Hospitality Industry"

Read the Interview



## JSB Blog Famous in Japan: Celebrities from Around the World

This week we featured **Dr. Chiaki Mukai**, a Japanese astronaut and physician who was the first Asian woman in space and first Japanese citizen to have two spaceflights. She flew on the STS-65 *Columbia* mission in 1994, the STS-95 *Discovery* mission in 1998, and continues to work with the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) as well as other space exploration initiatives.

Learn about Chiaki Mukai



#### JSB Meets JET Alumni

As part of our partnership with the <u>United States Japan Exchange and Teaching Alumni Association</u> (USJETAA), the Japan Society of Boston features a new JET Alumni in our monthly blog!

This month's JET Alum is **Ryan Hata**, ALT for Tottori Prefecture from 2014-2017.



Read the Blog



#### My Japan Journey Podcast

We will be launching Season 2 of JSB's *My Japan Journey* podcast in early 2023. If you haven't listed to Season 1 yet, we invite you to do so!

We will be releasing short promo videos for each of our Season 1 episodes on all of our social media over the coming weeks, so make sure to follow us!

Listen to the Podcast



#### **Homestay Families Wanted!**

From August 20-25, 2023, there will be high school students from Shizuoka who will be looking for homestays in the Boston area. We will be updating our homestay family volunteer lists in the coming days. Please let us know if you are interested by emailing us at <a href="mailto:info@japansocietyboston.org">info@japansocietyboston.org</a>.

#### **Other Japan Related Programming**

**November 12th and 13th:** Aomori Prefecture themed food fair at Ebisuva Market

November 14th 12:00 PM ET: <u>Harvard Reischauer Institute</u>, <u>The Economic Weapon</u>: The Rise of Sanctions as a Tool of Modern War

November 16th 7:00 PM ET: Coolidge Corner Theatre, Throne of Blood

November 17th 7:00 PM ET: Columbia Japan Center, Why Has Japan Become So

Cheap?

November 28th 8:00 PM ET: Harvard Reischauer Institute, Trade Policy Agenda for

the Indo-Pacific Region











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