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★ TOPIC 1 Online Global Kids Seminar

The "Global Kids Seminar" is a series of hands-on English cultural exchange programs including cooking, crafts, and games for kids in order to contribute to the development of internationally-minded youth. The seminars were online as a measure to prevent the spread of COVID-19 on August 19, 20 and 24 last year.

The number of seminar sessions held this year was doubled from 3 in-person sessions to 6 online sessions. Unlike during previous seminars in which the participants were required to attend all 3 consecutive sessions, this year the application process offered the flexibility for each participant to choose which online seminar session they wanted to attend. In addition, while the previous in-person seminars were attended by nearly 20 children during each session, the online seminars were limited to 3 to 5 participants per session, allowing for each child to have plenty of time to talk to and interact with the instructors in English.



The Kanazawa International Exchange Foundation is looking to recruit foreign instructors not only for the "Global Kids Seminar", but also for our "World Culture Introduction Courses" in which guest instructors can introduce their foreign languages and cultures.

If you are interested, please contact KIEF.

Application Requirements

- Must be able to communicate in Japanese or English
- Must be able to participate in preliminary meetings (during weekday morning or afternoon)

Payment to Lecturer

- 6,000 yen (for 2 hours) / per session
- ※This amount will be paid after subtracting 10.21% as tax.

Kanazawa Cultural Experience Events for International Students

12/19 (Sat) "Kanazawa Traditional Cuisine Workshop and Hands-on Gold Leaf Experience"

During this event, participants experienced making oshizushi^{おずし}/押し寿司, a type of dish that is traditionally eaten in Kanazawa on special occasions such as during festivals and weddings, and applying Kanazawa gold leaf, which accounts for more than 90% of all gold leaf produced in Japan.

The international students seemed very satisfied with results of their first time making sushi. The gold leaf crafts experience involved applying gold leaf to lacquered chopsticks. Each student crafted their own creative designs for their chopsticks.



"oshizushi" is a type of pressed sushi.

Jan. 17 (Sun) "Kanazawa Geigi Dance Performance and Yuzen Dyeing Experience"



"toratora" is a game played with geigi.

In Kanazawa's East Tea District, the International students had the chance to watch the "Kanazawa Geigi Dance", a dance and drum performance performed by geigi that has been meticulously handed down through successive generations to the present day.

They also experienced crafting dyed handkerchiefs using the Kaga Yuzen technique, which is a dyeing technique used for Japanese kimonos in Kanazawa that has been handed down for many years. All of the international students seemed to greatly enjoy their first time seeing the geigi's performance and dyeing handkerchiefs using stencils decorated with designs of cherry blossoms and Kenroku-en's kotoji toro lantern.

★ TOPIC 2 Information

Events by International Exchange Groups

World Fair Trade Month Festival / Citizen's Circle ASYL Jyuku

Date : Saturday, May 22nd **Place :** Plaza in front of Kanazawa City Hall

Contents : Introduction and sale of fair trade products

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Legal Consultation for Foreign Residents / Ishikawa International Association

Date & Time : Administrative Clerks → 1st and 4th Thursday of every month

Lawyer → 3rd Thursday of every month

13:00 to 13:30 or 13:30 to 14:00 (in principle 30 minutes per person)

Content : Consultation on a wide range of issues, including problems at home and at work, problems in daily life, and issues related to status of residence. (Examples: Nationality, visas, status of residence, international marriage and divorce, inheritance, taxes, insurance and pension, labor and wages, debt, traffic accidents, etc.)

Available Languages : English, Chinese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, etc. *Advanced reservation required.

Place : Ishikawa International Center (3F RIFARE, 1-5-3 Honmachi, Kanazawa City)

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2021 International Day of Yoga in Ishikawa / Ishikawa India Association

Date : Sunday, June 20, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Venue : Hoenji Temple (6-14 Takaramachi, Kanazawa City) or Online

Content : Online yoga (60 minutes), Zazen experience (40 minutes)

At Hoenji Temple, there will be Indian chai, miscellaneous goods for sale, and sari clothing try-on available.

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You Too Are a Citizen of Kanazawa: A Guide to Living in Kanazawa

Every year, Kanazawa City entrusts KIEF to publish “You Too Are a Citizen of Kanazawa: A Guide to Living in Kanazawa”, which provides essential information for foreign residents regarding everyday life in Kanazawa, and is accessible in multiple languages (Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, Indonesian and Portuguese).

The 2021 edition of the guide will be available starting in April. You can pick up the guide at the Citizen's Section (Kanazawa City Hall 3F, 1-1-1 Hirosaka), and at KIEF. You can also download the guide from the International Exchange section, City of Kanazawa.

<https://www4.city.kanazawa.lg.jp/soshiki/seisaku/10020.html>



Multilingual Library

Kanazawa City has set up a portal page for foreign residents containing English translations of information and various documents necessary for administrative procedures. Translated documents include daily life guidelines, multilingual information on how to dispose of garbage, information on “my number” and certificates of residency, notices related to national health insurance and taxes (national health insurance premium payment notices, kei-car tax payment notices, etc.), and handbooks related to admission to nursery schools. The portal page is available in English.

<https://www4.city.kanazawa.lg.jp/11021/ForForeignResidents/ForForeignResidents.html>



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