



# Chapter Presentations: JET Alumni Association of Northern California





# JETAANC 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala



## Description

- To celebrate our chapter's 25th Anniversary, we organized a gala dinner, inviting JET alumni from across our history, from chapter founders to recent returnees, as well as community partners and friends.

## Details

- November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Nikko Hotel in SF's Union Square
- Presented the inaugural Gary Mukai Leadership Award, named in honor of our long-serving Board member
- JETAANC Scholarship Fundraising
- Cocktail hour, koto performance, sake barrel breaking ceremony, 3-course gourmet dinner, DJ/dancing

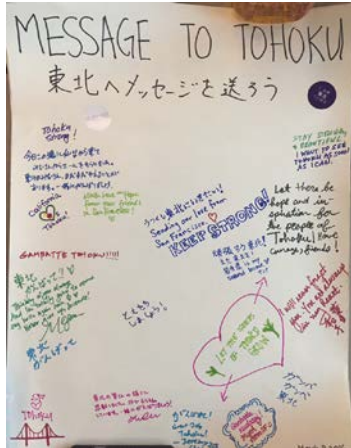
## Tips

- Start planning early!
- Develop a task list with clear assignments for committee members, include deadlines
- Do only what you can
- Don't forget to say thank you
- Follow-up on all prizes





# 3-11 Fundraiser and SF Premier of the 113 Project



## Description

- At this year's fundraiser for Tohoku, we saw a great opportunity to also host the SF premier screening of the "113 Project: Reclaiming Tohoku" to help attendees learn more about current life in Tohoku, donate to a good cause, and write messages of hope to the people of Tohoku.

## Details

- March 8<sup>th</sup> at the Japanese Community Center in SF's Japantown
- The screening featured a panel discussion and Q&A with distinguished leaders in Tohoku recovery including, Andy Anderson, Wesley Julian, Matthew Fuller, Takeno Chiyo Suzuki, Heather Easley-Kasinsky, Hiroto Nishikawa

## Tips

- Try to plan for technical difficulties
- Assist moderator and panelists by providing them with sample questions
- Partner with community groups and businesses on advertising and ask them to help with food and drink donations