

Welcome to
Detroit

JETAA USA National Conference

September 24-27, 2015
Detroit, Michigan



Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit

 JETAA USA



Table of Contents

Cover Photo: *Detroit's Renaissance Center as viewed from Belle Isle Park, through one of its 100 Sakura Trees donated to us by our sister city, Toyota.*

Welcome ようこそ	3
<i>Welcome from the Great Lakes JETAA President</i>	4
<i>Welcome from the JETAA Country Reps</i>	5
<i>Welcome from Consul General Wada</i>	6
<i>Welcome from Japan Local Government Center, CLAIR, New York</i>	7
Our Guests	8
<i>CLAIR, Ministry</i>	9
<i>Embassy of Japan</i>	10
<i>Sasakawa Peace Foundation</i>	11
<i>Tofugo & Wanikani</i>	12
<i>Mansfield Foundation</i>	13
<i>Japan Foundation for Global Partnership</i>	14
<i>US-Japan Bridging Foundation</i>	15
<i>CULCON</i>	17
<i>Satogaeri Project</i>	18
<i>Tohoku Tomo</i>	19
Schedule & Events	20
<i>Thursday, September 24</i>	21
<i>Friday, September 25</i>	22
<i>Saturday, September 26</i>	24
<i>Sunday, September 27</i>	26
Participants	27
<i>Country Reps</i>	28
<i>Chapter Delegates</i>	28
Thanks 感謝	40
<i>Thanks to our Sponsors</i>	41

Welcome

ゑろち

Welcome from the Great Lakes JETAA President

I would like to personally welcome you all to Detroit for our annual JETAA National Conference! It is truly an honor to hold this amazing conference in the great city of Detroit! We are elated that you are able to make it and hope that you learn from the many sessions.

I would like to personally thank many people for helping bring this conference to fruition. To think that a year ago, having this conference in Detroit was merely a thought and here we are a year later, gathering to discuss JETAA and how to strengthen our bond and support that bridge between Japan and America. Many people and organizations have helped to make this dream come true. First, I have to thank the Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit. They were the force that worked with us tirelessly to get the conference in Detroit. Next, CLAIR (whom we all know and love) dealt with my endless emails and questions with patience, and promptly answered every single one of them. Our wonderful and helpful country reps, Cheryl Hou, Monica Yuki and Xander Peterson, you have helped more than words can express. For that, I thank you from the bottom of my heart. Finally, thank you to all the companies who sponsored us through donations, with your support we will be able to hold a successful and meaningful conference.



Every year, I speak at the JET departures and returnees receptions. One thing that I always say and will continue to say is, that we are family. No one truly understands a JET's stories like another JET. I feel this statement was as true at the first conference as it will be at this conference and all conferences to come. We meet as strangers, but we leave as family. I have met so many JETAA members from all over the US and we have that common bond. I cherish that bond and I look forward to an amazing conference and talking to all of you and hearing your stories.

My hope for this weekend, is that everyone that attends, gets something out of it. So much thought and sweat and tears were put into making this a conference that will benefit all of you. I also hope that you leave with a feeling of fulfillment and that you learned so much and are able to take it back to your chapters. Our purpose is to help you and your local chapter.

While JETAA National Conference is only a weekend long, our discussions and sharing of ideas need not stop here. My hope is that we stay in touch via email, Facebook, Twitter, any way we can to keep in touch. I hope to keep in touch with you and I hope to hear many great stories of great events you'll have with your local chapters. Let's keep building our JETAA connections for a stronger future.

I hope you have an amazing time in Detroit! It's going to be an amazing weekend!!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Faye Valtadoros".

Faye Valtadoros
GLJETAA President



Welcome from the JETAA Country Reps



Dear 2015 National Conference Delegates,

Welcome to Detroit! We are very pleased to have all of you participating in this important annual gathering of JETAA USA leadership. We thank you for traveling from near and far and we look forward to the weekend ahead.

We would like to give specific thanks to the Great Lakes chapter for hosting the JETAA USA National Conference this year. It has been a pleasure working with Faye Valtadoros and the whole Great Lakes team who have been fantastic during the entire planning process. We would also like to Mr. Yasuo Tatsuta of CLAIR New York for their continued support of the JET Program and JETAA USA.

This year's conference features many wonderful presentations on topics important to our organizations and our communities. We hope you can take key information back and share it with your home chapters.

If you have questions throughout the conference or comments you would like to share, please feel welcome to talk to one of us. We are also happy to speak with you following the conference.

We look forward to spending a great weekend with all of you!

Sincerely,

Monica Yuki, Cheryl Hou, and Xander Peterson
JETAA USA Country Representatives

Welcome from Consul General Wada



On behalf of the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit, I am pleased to welcome you to the Japan Exchange and Teaching Program Alumni Association of the United States of America 2015 National Conference. I am delighted that the Great Lakes JET Alumni Association is hosting this important Conference right here in Detroit this year. Although I only arrived to the region about one month ago, I have already had the opportunity to witness first-hand Detroit's vast revitalization, vibrant downtown and hometown spirit. I hope you will have the opportunity to do the same during your stay in this great city.

This year is a special year in Detroit-Japan relations. 2015 marks the 55th anniversary of the sister-city relationship between the cities of Detroit and Toyota and Mayor Duggan recently paid a visit to Toyota City with his wife in order to attend commemorative events and further promote the two cities' longstanding friendship.



The Japan Exchange & Teaching Program is one of the largest grassroots initiatives of its kind in the world and I understand that participants have the opportunity to stay involved with the Program long after leaving Japan. Local JET Alumni Association chapters continue to promote Japan and Japanese culture in the form of community, cultural and social events here in the United States. I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the JET Alumni Association for playing such an important role in upholding the strong bond and friendship enjoyed between Japan and the United States.

It is truly an honor to be serving as Consul General of Japan in Detroit and I am so pleased to have the opportunity to learn more about the great efforts being put forth by the many local JET alumni chapters as well as by JETAA USA. I commend all of the chapter representatives who have worked diligently to bring this conference here to Detroit and thank you for your continued sincere commitment to the promotion of Japan-U.S. relations. Best wishes to everyone for a successful and productive conference!

With warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in Japanese calligraphy, reading "和田 充広" (Wada Mitsuhiro).

Mitsuhiro Wada
Consul General of Japan in Detroit

Welcome from Japan Local Government Center, CLAIR, New York

Dear JETAA Representatives,

It is a great pleasure for me to attend this important conference. I am the Executive Consultant of CLAIR, Masahiro Fukukawa.

The 19 American chapters of JETAA have gained high regard worldwide for their activities, and I would like to express my gratitude to those at the center of the chapters' work: you, the executives and representatives of each chapter. I would especially like to thank the members of the Great Lakes chapter for all of their efforts in arranging this meeting.



As you may know, the JET Programme began in 1987, and next year will mark its 30th anniversary. Of the 62,500 people who have participated in the Programme over its 29 year history, more than half (31,400) have been American. It would be no exaggeration to say that the United States has made the greatest contributions to the JET Programme of the participating countries.

With the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games on the horizon and the economy becoming increasingly globalized, the demand for the enrichment of English education and international exchange, and thus, the expansion of the JET Programme, is greater than ever.

Whether it is helping with a JET Programme information session at a university, giving advice to incoming JETs before their departure, or assisting returning JETs find careers through the network of alumni, the activities of the JET Alumni are becoming indispensable to the evolution of the JET Programme. We ask for your continued understanding and cooperation as we attempt to recruit more talented youth to meet the growing demand for JET Programme participants.

We are at an exciting point in the Programme's history, and CLAIR seeks to utilize the 30th anniversary to publicize the Programme's accomplishments and activities through new endeavors to strengthen the global network of JET alumni. I anticipate that this conference will become a valuable opportunity for the exchange of opinions and information, and that the activities of each chapter will become all the more fruitful as a result of it. Through the work of our New York office and close cooperation with the Japanese Embassy and regional consulates, CLAIR aims to support the activities of JETAA as much as possible.

I look forward to getting to know you over the next few days.

With best wishes,

福川 正浩

Masahiro Fukukawa
Executive Consultant
Council of Local Authorities for International Relations (CLAIR)



Our Guests

CLAIR, Ministry



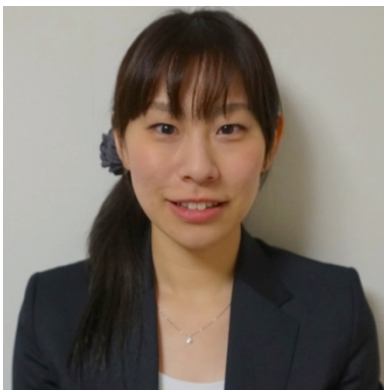
Masahiro Fukukawa
Executive Consultant



Yasuo Tasuta
Executive Director



Atsushi Inumaru
Deputy Executive Director



Arisa Maruno
Assistant Director



Matthew Gilliam
Senior Researcher



Embassy of Japan in the United States of America

在アメリカ合衆国日本国大使館

Minister Masato OTAKA

Embassy of Japan

Currently: Minister for Public Affairs, Embassy of Japan
Education: Tokyo University, March 1986
Languages: Japanese, English

Career outline:

1986.4 Entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA),
Tokyo
1998.7 First Secretary in charge of the Security Council

U.N. Mission (New York)

2001.7 Principal Deputy Director, Foreign Policy Division
2002.7 Private Secretary to Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary,
Prime Minister's Office (~2005.8)
2005.1 Counsel for International Legal Affairs
2005.8 Director, Southeast Economic Partnership Division
2007.1 Director, Economic Partnership Division
2007.12 Director, Southwest Asia Division
2009.2 Economic Minister, Embassy of Japan, Thailand
2012.9 Present Post



THE SASAKAWA PEACE FOUNDATION



Kazuyo Kato



Sora Choi

The Sasakawa Peace Foundation addresses the diverse and complicated issues that human society is encountering in the 21st century. In order to respond to increasing natural disasters and social crises, we implement and support a variety of necessary programs and projects. As a private Japanese foundation, we strive to strengthen cooperation at all levels between our country and countries abroad. We make use of our freedom as a private foundation to effectively promote activities, proposals, and exchanges in the search for a new governance model for human society

1. Toward New Ocean Governance

We make necessary proposals for ocean governance and promote implementation to protect this common heritage of mankind. With international cooperation and coordination, we promote research and studies aiming for comprehensive ocean management and sustainable development. As an organization of a country surrounded by the sea, we pursue a model of a new ocean State that maintains a balance between development and utilization of marine resources and environmental protection. We make efforts to enhance cooperation with the international community, especially with Asian and Pacific countries, to establish the ocean governance of the future.

2. Realization of World Peace and Security

We implement and support projects that contribute to world peace and security. We devote our efforts to the stability and development of the Asian-Pacific region and the international community. At the same time, we consider ways of governance in new areas of maritime and space security in cooperation with the leaders of other countries and various fields by conducting research studies and making proposals. We also examine and implement measures to ensure security of citizens against internal conflicts, terrorism, and natural disasters that are recently increasing around the world.

3. Solving Diverse Problems of the Planet

Keeping the diversity of the world community in view, we seek for tailor-made solutions for each country and region. With the current aging of the population in Japan and the developed world, growth has slowed down in recent years. Social problems are arising from the aging population and increasing economic disparities. On the other hand, the population in the developing world is growing rapidly, bringing about various problems inside as well as outside these countries. To come up with practical solutions to these problems, we promote approaches that respect diversity. For the realization of societies where individuals can fully express their potential and contribute to finding solutions, we support innovative policies and implementation efforts at the policy-making level.

Tofugo & Wanikani



Michael Richey
VP of Portland JETAA

Tofugu

About:

"Tofugu is a wonky Japanese language and culture blog. It features posts about Japan, Japanese culture, and Japanese language learning. There are also travel posts, product reviews, and learning guides. Also videos."

History:

"Koichi started Tofugu in 2007 as a college project. In 2010, TextFugu, a beginner's online Japanese textbook focusing on self-learners was started. In 2012, WaniKani was created to help learners with one of the most difficult parts of Japanese: kanji and vocabulary. This year, Tofugu is planning to release EtoEto, a program that will take self-learners of Japanese from zero to fluency."

Mansfield Foundation



Joshua Archer

The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation was created in 1983 to advance Maureen and Mike Mansfield's life-long efforts to promote understanding and cooperation among nations and peoples of Asia and the United States. The Foundation sponsors exchanges, dialogues and publications that create networks among U.S. and Asian leaders, explore the underlying issues influencing public policies, and increase awareness about the nations and peoples of Asia. The Mansfield Foundation's geographic focus is Northeast Asia and India as it relates to that region. The Foundation receives support from individuals, corporations and philanthropic organizations. It also provides support to The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center at The University of Montana.

The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation is not a grant-making organization and does not accept grant proposals.

The Foundation has offices in Washington, D.C., Tokyo, Japan, and Missoula, Montana.

Japan Foundation for Global Partnership



Noriko Yamamoto

Noriko Yamamoto currently serves as Program Director for Japanese Studies/ Grassroots Exchange and Education at the Japan Foundation/ Center for Global Partnership in New York. She has been with the Japan Foundation for more than 10 years, where she worked for several departments including Center for Global Partnership (Tokyo), Human Resource Division, and Accounting Division, and was transferred to the NY office in 2011. She grew up in Mie prefecture, Japan, and studied at Ritsumeikan University (Kyoto) and the Graduate School of Hitotsubashi University (Tokyo). Her interests include international education, leadership and organizational development in multicultural settings. In her free time, she enjoys traveling and practices Spanish and Karate; she has a second level black belt (Shotokan).

Mission

To promote collaboration between Japan and the United States with the goal of fulfilling shared global responsibilities and contributing to improvements in the world's welfare.

To enhance dialogue and interchange between Japanese and US citizens on a wide range of issues, thereby improving bilateral relations.

Introduction

The Center for Global Partnership (CGP) was established within the Japan Foundation* in April 1991 with offices in both Tokyo and New York. CGP is dedicated to strengthening the global US-Japan partnership and cultivating the next generation of public intellectuals necessary to sustain this partnership.

To carry out its mission, CGP supports an array of institutions and individuals, including nonprofit organizations, universities, policymakers, scholars and educators, and believe in the power of broad-based, multi-channel approaches to effect positive change through the following mechanisms:

- Administering grant programs to support collaborative projects conducted by the people of Japan, the United States and other countries that address issues of global concern
- Supporting fellowships
- Co-organizing projects with a variety of other institution

US-Japan Bridging Foundation



Laurel Lukaszewski

Kagoshima-ken, 1990-1992



Paige Cottingham-Streater

Mie-ken, 1988-1989

Laurel Lukaszewski

Project Director, JETAA Initiative, US-Japan Bridging Foundation/Acting Executive Director, USJETAA

Laurel Lukaszewski is the Project Director for the United States-Japan Bridging Foundation's Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme Alumni Association (JETAA) Initiative. She has been working with JETAA chapters nationwide since July 2013, to create a national nonprofit organization to strengthen the network and promote US-Japan relations. In August 2015, the Founding Board of the newly incorporated United States Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme Alumni Association (USJETAA) appointed Ms. Lukaszewski Acting Executive Director.

Ms. Lukaszewski is concurrently a professional artist who shows her ceramic sculpture throughout the United States. She has exhibited in numerous solo and group exhibitions nationwide and in international art fairs in Miami, Palm Beach, New York and London.

Before becoming a professional artist, Ms. Lukaszewski served as the Executive Director of the Japan-America Society of Washington, Inc. in Washington, DC and as Program Director for the Japan-America Society of the State of Washington in Seattle. She has been involved in the Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme since participating as an assistant language teacher on the rural island of Tanegashima in 1990-1992. She is a member of the JET Programme application review committee and interview panel.

Ms. Lukaszewski holds a Master's degree in Asian Studies and a Bachelor's degree in International Affairs from Florida State University in Tallahassee, FL. She is on the board of directors of the National Cherry Blossom Festival, and has served on the Washington Sculptors Group board and the Washington Project for the Arts Artist Council.

Paige Cottingham-Streater

Executive Director, US-Japan Bridging Foundation

Ms. Cottingham-Streater directs the work of the U.S. CULCON Secretariat, the Japan-US Friendship Commission and the U.S.-Japan Bridging Foundation. CULCON (U.S.-Japan Conference on Cultural and Educational Interchange) is a binational advisory panel to the U.S. and Japanese governments, the Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission is a small federal agency that provides grants for research, training and exchange with Japan. The U.S.-Japan Bridging Foundation is a U.S. non-profit that awards scholarships to US undergraduate students to study for one semester or academic year in Japan.

Prior to joining the Commission, Ms. Cottingham-Streater served as Deputy Executive Director of the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation where she worked for sixteen years. In addition to providing strategic leadership for the Mansfield Foundation, she directed the Mike Mansfield Fellowship Program, a Congressionally-established professional exchange for mid-level federal government employees.

Before joining the Mansfield Foundation, Ms. Cottingham-Streater was Director for the US-Japan Project at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies in Washington, DC. In this capacity, she supervised visiting scholars, conducted research on US-Japan issues, managed the project's budget and published the project's newsletter. Previously, she served as Counsel and Legislative Assistant in the office of Congressman Donald M. Payne (D-NJ), where she monitored legislative initiatives involving education, civil rights law enforcement, labor, and financial and social policy. She was also a participant in the Japan Exchange and Teaching Program (JET), a staff attorney at the U.S. Department of Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and a law clerk at U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Marshals Service.

Ms. Cottingham-Streater is the recipient of Japan's Foreign Minister's Commendation in recognition of her longstanding work to strengthen US-Japan relations. The award, made on March 31, 2004, commemorated the 150th anniversary of the Treaty of Peace and Amity between Japan and the United States.

Ms. Cottingham-Streater received her Juris Doctor from the National Law Center at George Washington University and is a member of the New Jersey Bar Association. She also holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Connecticut College in Government and Asian Studies. Ms. Cottingham-Streater has written articles for publications of the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, and she has spoken on U.S.-Japan relations at numerous conferences in the United States and Japan.

CULCON

Deputy Secretary-General

In 1991 Pamela Fields joined the staff of the Japan-US Friendship Commission, an independent federal agency, where she serves as the Deputy Secretary-General for CULCON. The US-Japan Conference on Cultural and Educational Interchange (CULCON) is a binational advisory panel that has its origins in meetings held in Washington in 1961 between President Kennedy and Prime Minister Ikeda. Since its first meeting in Tokyo in January, 1962, CULCON has served to focus official and public attention in both the United States and Japan on the vital cultural and educational underpinnings of the US-Japan relationship.

Ms. Fields was Vice President of a small international consulting firm in Washington, DC from 1989 to 1991. From 1986 to 1989 she established and directed an international service unit for a major Japanese department store in Tokyo. Ms. Fields also worked as a broadcaster for NHK in Japan for five years.

Ms. Fields received her Bachelor of Arts from Bryn Mawr College in 1981 and a Masters in International Business, with a focus on Japan, in 1994.

In addition to her time spent in Japan, Ms. Fields has lived in and speaks the languages of France, Italy and Israel. She lives with her husband and two children in Takoma Park, Maryland.



Pamela Fields
Deputy Secretary-General,
CULCON

Satogaeri Project

Please join us in congratulating the participants of the Satogaeri Project. Three strong JET alumni were selected from the 165 applicants from North America (122 were from the U.S., 43 were from Canada). Thank you to everyone that submitted an application and to all the chapters showing their support.



Mark Frey
Kumamoto 2002-2006
JETAA Northern California
JETAANC President



Xander Peterson
Miyazaki 2009-2012
JETAA Northern California
USA Country Rep



Alex Svetlovsky
Okayama 2008-2009
JETAA Ottawa
Canada Country Rep

Tohoku Tomo



Tohoku Tomo (60 min., Documentary) is a story of true friendship and commitment to Japan's recovery by the international community following The Great East Japan Earthquake. The film includes over a dozen interviews, footage from the impacted areas, and features J-Pop artist Maynard Plant from the band Monkey Majik; Stu Levy, producer of the film Pray for Japan; and host of Tokyofoodcast, Etsuko Nakamura. Tohoku Tomo premiered in March 2014 and has been screened in Japan and across the United States, including with many JET Alumni Chapters (New York, Northern California, Rocky Mountain, Heartland, Chicago, Minnesota, Pacific NW). If you or your chapter is interested in hosting a screening, please contact info@tohokutomo.com. DVDs are also available at the JETAA National Conference and online at <http://tohokutomo.com/support/>

Facebook. www.facebook.com/TohokuTomo

Twitter: www.twitter.com/TohokuTomo

Website: www.TohokuTomo.com

Website: www.113Project.org

Schedule & Events

Thursday, September 24

(Dress: Business Casual)

3:00 PM	Check into hotel and visit the welcome table (3:00pm to 5:45pm)
5:45 PM	Meet in Hotel lobby to walk to the reception
6:00 PM	JETAA National Conference Welcome Reception Hosted by the US-Japan Bridging Foundation for Delegates and Guests*
8:00 PM	Nijikai — Explore Detroit: Exodus and Level Two**

Evening Events...

*The formal JETAA welcome reception hosted by the US-Japan Bridging Foundation will be held at:

Santorini Estiatorio

501 Monroe Street
Detroit MI 48226

**Thursday evening's Nijikai/After-Parties will be held at:

Exodus

Rooftop
529 Monroe Ave,
Detroit, MI 48226
<http://exodosrooftop.com/>

Level Two

Rooftop in Greek Town
535 Monroe Ave,
Detroit, MI 48226
<http://www.leveltwodetroit.com/>

(Restaurant and bars are a short distance from hotel via walking)

Friday, September 25

(Dress: Business Casual)

8:00 AM	Breakfast served outside 8am to 9am (Outside Conference Room: Salon AB)
9:00 AM	Welcome remarks from Faye Valtadoros – President, Great Lakes JETAA
9:05 AM	Welcome remarks from Consul General Wada – Japan Consulate in Detroit
9:10 AM	Welcome remarks from Mr. Fukukawa – Executive Consultant, CLAIR
9:15 AM	Welcome remarks from Mr. Tatsuta – Executive Director CLAIR
9:20 AM	Welcome remarks from Monica Yuki – JETAAUSA Country Representative
9:30 AM	Chapter Welcome & Omiyage sharing
10:00 AM	Satogaeri Project: Return to your Japan Hometown – <i>Mathew Gillam (CLAIR New York)</i>
10:20 AM	Satogaeri Project Participants: Presentation of Projects and JETAA Support – <i>Xander Peterson (JETAAUSA), Mark Frey (JETAANC), Alex Svetlovsky (JETAA Canada)</i>
10:50 AM	BREAK...
11:00 AM	Welcome remarks from Minister Otaka – Embassy of Japan
11:05 AM	USJETAA Progress Update – <i>Paige Cottingham-Streater & Laurel Lukaszewski (U.S.-Japan Bridging Foundation, JETAADC)</i>
11:50 PM	USJETAA Next Steps – <i>Xander Peterson (JETAAUSA)</i>
1:00 PM	Buffet lunch provided by CLAIR – Quiz Time!
1:45 PM	Chapter Presentations (South East, PNW, Florida)
2:00 PM	Preparing New JETs in the digital age and connecting them to AJET – <i>Michael Richey (JETAA Portland)</i>
2:30 PM	Engaging the Senpai: Events, communication, outreach – <i>Mark Frey (JETAANC)</i>
3:00 PM	Everything you ever wanted to know about GiA (and other CLAIR stuff) but were afraid to ask – <i>Matt Gillam (CLAIR New York)</i>
3:30 PM	BREAK...

3:35 PM	Breakout Sessions — Choose one topic:
A	Room Salon AB Treasurer Tips: GIA Forms, MoFa money, utilizing tech and making the most of your budget – <i>Adam Ledyard (PNWJETAA)</i>
B	Room Grill: Strengthening Your Executive Board: Common Chapter Struggles and Advice for New Officers – <i>Tom Gregorich (Florida JETAA)</i>
4:20 PM	Regroup and close the first day of the conference
5:00 PM	Reception at Consulate General Wada's Residence*
8:00 PM	Evening Social: Flavors of Detroit**

Evening Events...

*The Consulate General of Detroit will be hosting the MOFA reception at:

Consul General Mitsuhiro Wada's Residence

A chartered bus will be transporting Delegates and Guests from the hotel to the residence. Please meet in the hotel lobby at the announced time by the emcee.

Note: *As this is the private residence of the Consul General, all pictures and videos are restricted. Please ask Consulate and MOFA staff prior to taking any pictures or videos. The Consulate thanks everyone for this consideration.*

**Post-Event Nijikai: Flavors of Detroit (Bar Social) — Details to be announced

Saturday, September 26

(Dress: Business Casual)

8:00 AM	Breakfast served outside 8am to 9am (Outside Conference Room: Salon AB)
9:00 AM	Country Representative Overview from Friday Conference
9:15 AM	Tohoku Tomo: Update – <i>Wesley Julian (JETAA Chicago)</i>
9:45 AM	Sasakawa Peace Foundation – <i>Sora Choi (Program Assistant), Kazuyo Kato (Senior Program Officer)</i>
10:45 AM	Chapter Presentations (Toronto, New York, Hawaii)
11:00 AM	Guest Panel Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mizuki Eguchi – <i>Public Relations Officer, Japanese Consulate of Detroit</i>• Kate Simon – <i>Director, Japan Center for Michigan University</i>• Anne Hooghart – <i>Project Manager, Suzuki, Myers & Associates (GLJETAA, Shiga '90-'91)</i>• Kasia Lynch – <i>Manager of Executive Administration, Hirotec</i>• Akiko Kashiwagi – <i>Assistant Professor of Japanese, Oakland University</i>
11:45 AM	BREAK...
11:50 AM	Breakout Sessions: Choose one topic:
A	Room Salon AB: Manage Knowledge: Save Time & Stress: Running an internal Board Site on Google – <i>Adam Lisbon (JETAA Rocky Mountain)</i>
B	Room Salon CD: Digital Solutions for Engaging Your Chapter – <i>Joy (Young) Champaloux & Ryan Bedford (JETAADC)</i>
12:20 PM	JETAA Canada Update – <i>Alex Svetlovsky (JETAA Ottawa), Danielle Taschereau Mamers (JETAA Toronto)</i>
1:00 PM	Lunch provided by CLAIR – Big Mug Exchange!
2:00 PM	Chapter Presentations (Music City, Portland, New England)
2:15 PM	Professional Opportunities in Japan with the Mansfield Foundation – <i>Joshua Archer, Associate Director of Programs, Maureen and Mike Mansfield Foundation</i>
3:15 PM	Promoting Professional Life After JET – <i>Kelley Rich (SoCal)</i>
3:45 PM	Chapter Presentations (Chicago, Washington DC, Northern CA)
4:00 PM	BREAK...

4:05 PM	Breakout Sessions: Choose one topic:
A	Room Salon AB: Transitioning from JET to JETAA: How Chapters Can Connect with Current JETs – <i>Pam Kavalam (JETAANY)</i>
B	Room Salon CD: Chapters interested in hosting Regional Conference 2016 or National Conference 2016
4:35 PM	Goodwill Goldmine Book – <i>Monica Yuki on behalf of Emily Meztgar</i>
4:50 PM	Instructions for Evening Events
6:00 PM	CLAIR Dinner*
8:30 PM	Evening Social Event** – Not to be missed!

Evening Events...

*The Saturday reception will be hosted by CLAIR at:

COLORS Detroit

311 East Grand River Ave.
Detroit MI 48226

(Restaurant is a short distance from hotel via walking)

**Post-Event Nijikai: To Be Announced!

Sunday, September 27

Dress: Casual

(2015 JETAAUSA National Conference will end at 12 Noon!)

8:00 AM	Breakfast served outside 8am to 9am (Outside Conference Room: Salon AB)
9:00 AM	Country Rep Recap from Evening Event
9:30 AM	JET Program 30th Anniversary – <i>Mr. Fukukawa (CLAIR)</i>
9:45 AM	Chapter Presentations (Rocky Mountain, Southern CA, Great Lakes, Alaska, Minnesota, Texoma, Heartland, NoLa)
10:45 AM	Cross Chapter Collaboration (Country Rep)
11:00 AM	Regional Breakout for Cross Chapter Collaboration
11:50 AM	Closing Remarks
12:00 PM	Conference Ends

Participants

Country Reps



MONICA YUKI

JETAA New York
Saitama, 2002-2004
monica.yuki@jetaausa.com



CHERYL HOU

JETAA Pacific North West
Toyama, 2005-2008
cheryl.hou@jetaausa.com



XANDER PETERSON

JETAA Northern California
Miyazaki, 2009-2012
xander.peterson@jetaausa.com

Chapter Delegates

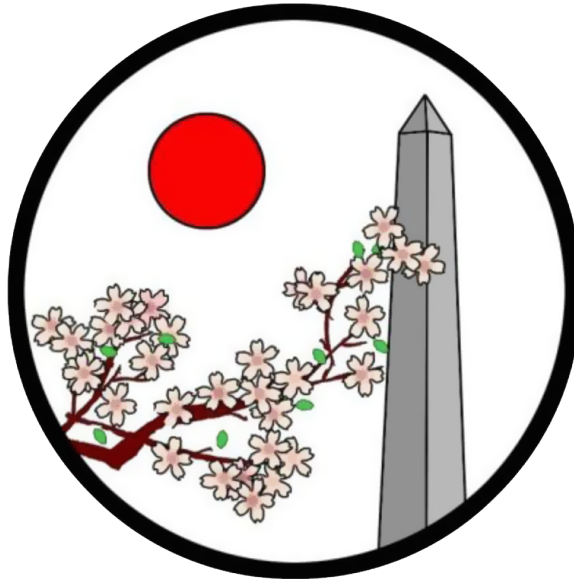
JETAA DC — US1



Ryan Bedford

President

Kumamoto, 2007-2010



**Joy Champaloux
(Young)**

Vice President

Wakayama, 2009-2012

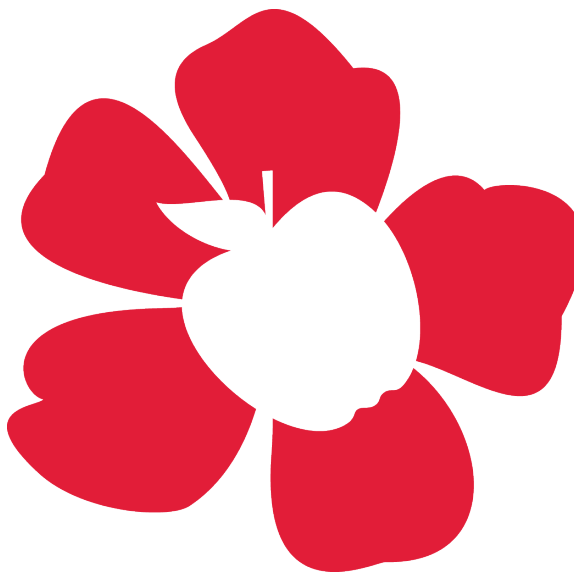
JETAA New York — US2



Pamela Kavalam

President

Shiga-ken, 2007-2009



Kathryn Piper

Vice President

Kochi, 2001-2004

JETAA New England — US3



Dan Lowe
Vice President
Chiba, 2011-2013



JETAA Southeast — US4



Stephen Haverfield
President
Niigata, 2002-2005



Valerie Stewart
Treasurer
Saga, 1999-2002

JETAA NOLA — US5



Megan Geeck
President
Aomori, 2009-2010



Reed Daigle
Treasurer
Okayama, 2006-2009

JETAA Florida — US6



Barbara Barrett
Information officer
kagawa, 2008-2010



Tom Gregorich
Treasurer
Tokushima, 2001-2003

JETAA Chicago — US7



Wesley Julian
President
Miyagi, 2008-2010



Steven Sundstrom
Treasurer
Shiga, 1998-2000

JETAA Heartland — US8



Michael Bugajski
President
Niigata, 2011-2012



Dustin Henrich
Co-President/
Web Designer
Osaka, 2012-2014

JETAA Texoma — US9



Adam Hammick
Treasurer
Tochigi, 1999-2001



Timothy Roller
President
Fukuoka, 2000-2003

JETAA Rocky Mountain — US10



Adam Lisbon
Secretary
Kobe City, 2004-2007



Van Milton
Vice President
Okayama, 2008-2013

JETAA Pacific Northwest — US11



Adam Ledyard
Treasurer
Toyama, 2005-2007



Annie Vuong
Secretary
Ehime, 2009 – 2012

JETAA Portland — US12



Michael Richey
Vice President
Shiga, 2008-2010



Katie Richey
Treasurer
Shiga, 2007-2010

JETAA Northern California — US13



Jaclyn Funasaki
Treasurer
Fukuoka, 2006-2008



Mark Frey
President
Kumamoto, 2002-2006

JETAA Southern California — US14



Kelley Rich
Co-President, JETAASC
Nara-ken, 2000-2003



Tiffany Dyer
Co-President
Toyama, 2006

JETAA Hawaii — US15



Maureen Ditol
Secretary
Fukuoka, 2009-2011



Kimberly Imamura
Treasurer
Nagano, 2009-2012

JETAA Alaska — US16



Christopher Vaughan
Vice President
Gifu, 1998-2001



JETAA Great Lakes — US17



Jeffrey Glenn
Vice President
Shiga, Hikone, 1996-1999



Jennifer Bahns
Treasurer
Sapporo shi, 1999-2002



Faye Valtadoros
President
Kagawa, 1998-2000

JETAA Minnesota — US18



Kate Thersleff
President
Wakayama, 2005-2008



JETAAmn



Mario Acito
Membership/Event
Coordinator
Kyoto, 2010-2013

JETAA Music City — US19



Tye Ebel
Treasurer
Kagawa, 2007-2010



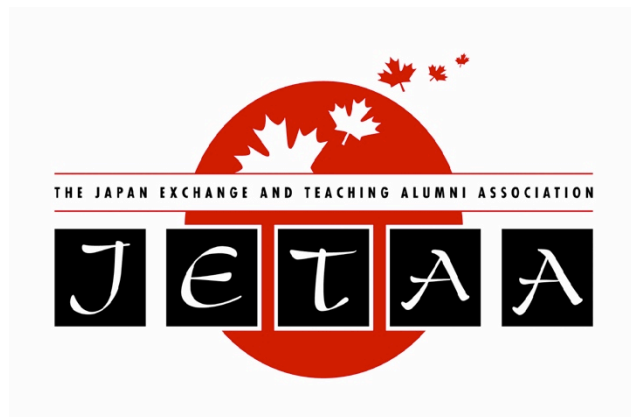
Sarah Stout
Representative
Yamanashi, 2009-2014



Alex Svetlovsky

Canada Representative
Okayama, 2008-2009

JETAA Canada



**Danielle Taschereau
Mamers**

Canada Representative
Gifu, 2010-2012

Thanks

感謝

Thanks to our Sponsors



Consulate-General of Japan in Detroit



Perfecting the Art of Electronics

ALPS®



JASCO

JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY OF CENTRAL OHIO

セントラルオハイオ日米協会



外務省

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan



CLAIR