



Consulate Updates

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Office Opening Hours

Monday to Friday
9:00am – 12:30pm
1:30pm – 5:00pm

Consular Section
(Reception – visa / passports)
9:00am – 12:00pm
1:30pm – 4:00pm

Welcome to Agricultural Trainees from Japan



Eleven Japanese agricultural trainees have recently arrived in Bowen for a year of language learning and agricultural and horticultural training. The trainees are the second group to come to Australia to participate in the Japan Agricultural Exchange Council's multinational program. They will spend their year in the Bowen region improving their English skills, learning agricultural and horticultural techniques, and engaging with the local community.

We would like to extend a very warm welcome and look forward to hearing their stories and experiences next year!

Recommended Websites

Embassy of Japan, Canberra
<http://www.au.emb-japan.go.jp>

The Japan Foundation,
Sydney
<http://www.jpf.org.au/>

Japan National Tourism
Organization
<http://www.jnto.org.au/>

Japan External Trade
Organization
<http://www.jetro.go.jp/>

Japan Exchange Teaching
(JET) Programme
<http://www.jetprogramme.org/>

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of Japan (MOFA)
<http://www.mofa.go.jp/>

Courtesy calls and visits in April



April was a busy month for Consul-General ONO, who had the pleasure of paying courtesy calls on Queensland Government Ministers Hon Stirling Hinchliffe and Hon Mark Furner to discuss the Queensland-Japan relationship. Mr ONO also visited Far North Queensland with Ambassador YAMAGAMI, and attended a welcome reception for the Sakura Fifteen, Japan's national Women's rugby team who will be playing in Queensland in May.

For the latest on recent events, make sure to visit:

https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/jicc_event_reports.html

2022 Office Closure Dates

MAY

*Monday 2
(Labour Day)*

JULY

*Monday 18
(Marine Day)*

AUGUST

*Wednesday 10
(Royal QLD Show Holiday)*

SEPTEMBER

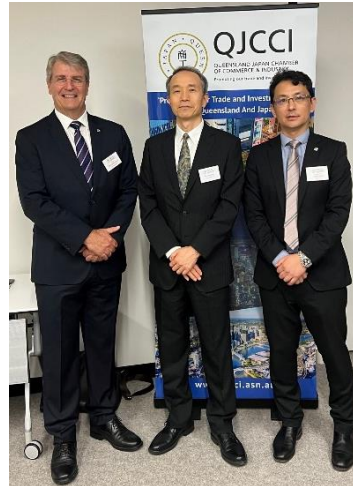
*Monday 19
(Respect for the Aged Day)*

OCTOBER

*Monday 3
(Queen's Birthday)*

*For the full list,
please click [here](#).*

QJCCI Welcome Reception



Consul-General ONO received a very warm welcome from QJCCI (Queensland Japan Chamber of Commerce and Industry), who hosted a reception in his honour at the end of March. Mr ONO was delighted to speak with QJCCI members and learn about important issues in the Queensland-Japan economic relationship.

In an opening address, he expressed his desire to see even closer cooperation as future opportunities with green energy, hydrogen, the 2032 Brisbane Olympics, agriculture, education and tourism emerge. We look forward to a long and prosperous relationship with the support of QJCCI and the Japan community.

Upcoming Japan Events



AJS-Q: An Evening of Koto, Shamisen and the Evolution of Japanese Music

7-8:30pm, 4th May 2022 | Webinar

Ms Ikoujyu Tanno, a leading instructor of the Yamada School of Koto music, will be speaking on Japanese music and performing Koto for May's AJS-Q Webinar Series on Japanese culture.

[Register here](#)



AJS-Q and Paper Boat Press Gallery: Autumn Haiku Workshop

10am-2pm, 14th May 2022 | Workshop

Learn about the history of these small but beautiful Japanese poems and how to create your own haiku before transferring your work onto a ceramic keepsake.

[Register here](#)



Museum of Brisbane: Japanese Storytime

10:30am, 1st June 2022 | Kid's Event

Visit the Dome Gallery for a bilingual picture book reading, then stay on for a craft activity. All parents, carers and their children are welcome.

[Register here](#)



Australian Tour by the Japan Women's National Rugby Team, the Sakura Fifteen

6th and 10th May 2022 | Sport

The Sakura Fifteen will be playing matches in Brisbane and the Gold Coast this May.

[More Information](#)

Notice on Border Restrictions for Japan



Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, global border restrictions are frequently changing. For the most up-to-date information on entry rules and requirements for Japan, please make sure to visit our website:

https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/pcrtestingEnglish.html

Please note that tourist entry and tourist visas are not available at this time.

The Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane is currently experiencing a high volume of enquiries. We thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.

The Consulate-General of Japan newsletter features people-to-people exchanges and friendships between Japan and Australia. If you are involved in sister school friendships, exchanges or Japan-Australia related programs such as the JET Programme and would like to submit an article to be published in our newsletter, please email us at: culture@bb.mofa.go.jp

Consulate Updates – Past Issues

Past issues of “Consulate Updates” (PDF) can also be accessed via the Consulate-General of Japan, Brisbane Website at: https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/jicc_newsletters.html

Consulate-General of Japan – Cultural Loans Program

The Consulate-General of Japan, Brisbane offers a Cultural Loans Program!

We have a wide range of Japanese cultural items available for teachers or persons/organisations in Queensland promoting or teaching Japanese culture. Items include DVDs on a wide range of Japanese subjects, toys, CDs, games, calligraphy sets, plastic food, traditional clothing, musical instruments and more! The items are free to borrow; the visual and tactile experience of a cultural prop contributes to a richer classroom experience.

For further information, please visit the link below to access catalogues and forms or call our office on (07) 3221 5188: <http://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/en/jicc/resources.html>

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If you know of any upcoming Japan-related events and would like to publicise them in our e-newsletter, please e-mail the details through to us at: culture@bb.mofa.go.jp

The final choice of articles will be at the discretion of the Consulate-General of Japan, Brisbane.