



# Consulate Updates

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**Consulate-General of Japan, Brisbane**

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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

## New Consul-General of Japan in Brisbane



We are pleased to announce the arrival of Consul-General ONO Masuo, who has taken up the posting of head of mission at the Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane.

You can read Mr ONO's message here:

### Message from the Consul-General

[https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\\_en/message.html](https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/message.html)

## 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/>

## Interview with Consul-General Ono

“ Our relationship is diversifying and there is a great deal of potential for more research and development collaborations in Queensland. I personally think we can create a model for future energy, transportation and related infrastructure. These developments can also be promoted in other countries. Academic institutions in Queensland and Japan are also collaborating on various initiatives.

*Masuo Ono, Consul-General of Japan in Brisbane, Australia*

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The Japan Times has released a special feature on the state of Australia-Japan relations, featuring messages from Prime Minister Scott Morrison and Japanese Ambassador to Australia YAMAGAMI Shingo, and reports from prominent businesses with strong Australia-Japan connections.

[https://www.japantimes.co.jp/country-report\\_category/australia-report-2022](https://www.japantimes.co.jp/country-report_category/australia-report-2022)

You can also learn more about the QLD-Japan relationship through Consul-General Ono's interview in full:

<https://sms-bridges.com/contributing-to-peace-and-prosperity-in-the-region/?fbclid=IwAR0XdA3DOPiBvF0vw1KM7JLxOt6pDwTCEwg2Mw2aB06o1UMQeKXLq931OXA>

(Image: bridges)

## 2022 Office Closure Dates

### MARCH

*Monday 21  
(Vernal Equinox Day)*

### APRIL

*Friday 15  
(Good Friday)*

*Monday 18  
(Easter Monday)*

*Monday 25  
(ANZAC Day)*

### MAY

*Monday 2  
(Labour Day)*

### JULY

*Monday 18  
(Marine Day)*

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

## To Tonga, From the People of Japan

In the wake of the volcanic eruption in the Kingdom of Tonga, the Japan Air Self-Defense Force deployed C-130 transport aircraft to RAAF Base Amberley, Queensland to assist with the delivery of relief supplies to Tonga.

With the support of the Australian Defence Force, the C-130 transport aircraft airlifted drinking water, canned fish, pressure washers, and other items to Tonga. The Force returned to Japan on 9 February after completing their duties.

Consul-General Ono visited Amberley to see off the C-130s and Japanese Self-Defense Force personnel returning to Japan. There he took the opportunity to meet with Col. FUJII Hiroshi, Flight Group Commander, and exchange ideas.

To read more about JICA's activities and Japanese aid visit:

<https://www.jica.go.jp/english/index.html>



## Japanese Language Proficiency Test 2022



# 日本語能力試験

If you would like to challenge yourself for 2022, this year's test will be held in Brisbane on July 3 and December 4.

Places are limited, so please check the below website for the latest developments:

<https://jpf.org.au/language/for-learners/jlpt/>

(Image: JPF Sydney)

# Museum of Brisbane Bilingual Storytime

*Free Event*

Fortnightly on a Wednesday @ 10:30am | Dome Gallery, Level 3, City Hall  
Recommended for ages 0 - 5



Join the Museum of Brisbane in the Dome Gallery every second Wednesday for story time!  
Bilingual sessions will be offered on various dates, the ***next Japanese session is on Wednesday, 9 March 2022.***

All parents, carers and their children are welcome. All are welcome to join in on these session regardless of ability. Prams can be stored at reception, and lockers are available to store your backpack or nappy bag.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.museumofbrisbane.com.au/whats-on/storytime-kids/>

(Text & Image: MoB)



## Museum of Brisbane - Free Japanese Language Tours



「City in the Sun」ハイライトツアー (日本語)  
Japanese Language Tours: City in the Sun



*City in the Sun at Museum of Brisbane. Photo: Toby Scott*

<b>Time:</b> 2:30pm - 3:15pm on selected Saturdays	<b>Ages:</b> All ages welcome
<b>Tickets:</b> FREE, bookings required	<b>Location:</b> Begins on Level 3, Brisbane City Hall

The Museum of Brisbane has recently launched some new free Japanese language tours. Attendees will be able to enjoy a fully immersive language experience led by a native speaker. Beginners and fluent speakers are all welcome to enjoy this inclusive tour of exhibition 'City in the Sun'.

For further details, visit:

<https://www.museumofbrisbane.com.au/whats-on/japanese-language-tour-city-in-the-sun/>

# 2022 Lord Mayor's Multicultural Business Scholarship Program and Mentoring Scheme

Applications close 31 March 2022



The 2022 Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner's Multicultural Business Scholarship Program and Mentoring Scheme is now open!

This program is for members of Brisbane's multicultural community wishing to expand their business skills and capabilities. There are more than 60 business scholarships and 30 12-month mentoring placements on offer. Scholarship courses range from one day workshops, short business courses, to undergraduate and masters level programs.

<https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/about-council/governance-and-strategy/business-in-brisbane/growing-brisbanes-economy/multicultural-business/the-lord-mayors-multicultural-business-scholarship-and-mentoring-scheme>



## THE 10TH ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL OF CONTEMPORARY ART

04 DEC 2021 – 25 APR 2022 | QAG, GOMA | FREE

People can now enjoy works by Japanese artists at the 10th Asia-Pacific Triennial Queensland Art Gallery/Gallery of Modern Art have been announced!

Works by Japanese artist MISHIMA Kimiyo will be among those on display. An Osaka native known for her ecocritical avant-garde art, MISHIMA will present a group of her life-like ceramic sculptures of everyday objects. We look forward to enjoying her art right here in Brisbane!

For more information, visit: <https://www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/whats-on/exhibitions/apt10>



Kimiyo Mishima, Japan b. 1932 / Work 19 – G 2019 /  
Silkscreen and hand-painted on ceramic, iron / 91 x 57 x 58cm /  
©Kimiyo Mishima, Courtesy of the artist and MEM, Tokyo

(Image: Kimiyo Mishima & QAGOMA)

## **Office Closure Notice**

**Monday, 21 March 2022**

**Friday, 15 April 2022**

**Monday, 18 April 2022**

**Monday, 25 April 2022**

The Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane will be closed on Monday, 21 March 2022 for Vernal Equinox Day (Japanese public holiday). The Consulate-General re-opens Tuesday, 22 March 2022.

The Consulate-General will also be closed on Friday, 15 April 2022 (Good Friday), Monday, 18 April 2022 (Easter Monday) and Monday, 25 April 2022 (ANZAC Day) and reopens the next weekday.

**For a full list of office closure dates for 2022, please visit:**

**[https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr\\_en/about\\_us.html#section4](https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/about_us.html#section4)**

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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:

[jpncg@bb.mofa.go.jp](mailto:jpncg@bb.mofa.go.jp)

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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](https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/itpr_en/jicc_newsletters.html)

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### **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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### **Like Our Facebook Page!**

For the latest news and updates on Japanese culture related events, visit:

<https://www.facebook.com/JapanCons.Brisbane>

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