



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

Farewell Reception for Consul-General TANAKA Kazunari



On Friday, 3 September 2021, a farewell reception was held for Consul-General TANAKA Kazunari and Mrs TANAKA Hiromi, who returned to Japan this month after almost three years of service in Brisbane. The event was attended by dignitaries, friends, and representatives of organisations who have helped support the Queensland-Japan relationship during the Consul-General's time in Australia.

Between 2018 and 2021, Mr TANAKA travelled extensively throughout Queensland, working to strengthen ties across a range of sectors state-wide. We also celebrated some important milestones during this period, including the 35th anniversary of Queensland-Saitama and Brisbane-Kobe sister-state/sister-city relations in 2019 and 2020 respectively, and the announcement of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games from Tokyo. This year also marks the 125th anniversary of the opening of Australia's first Japanese Consular Office in Townsville. Queensland-Japan relations are growing ever stronger through our cultural ties, trade relations, and the development of new industries such as green hydrogen, and through his tireless efforts the long-standing relationship continues to flourish.

We would like to thank all those who attended, and wish Mr and Mrs TANAKA all the best for the future.

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/>

JAPAN & FRIENDS DAY 2021 – 25 SEP 2021

10AM-4PM, SAT 25TH SEPTEMBER 2021
ROBINA STATE HIGH SCHOOL
BON ODORI 盆踊り | ENTERTAINMENT | FOOD | CRAFT | RAFFLE | FAIR | COSPLAY CONTEST

NEW DATE

祭
A FESTIVAL TO EXPERIENCE
Japan
& Friends Day

J JAPANESE SOCIETY Gold Coast Australia
www.jsgc.org.au

COSPLAY CONTEST
FREE ADMISSION

NEED DETAILS OF OUR FESTIVAL TODAY?
Please visit our QR code to get Time schedule and Event Map!
QRコードをスキャンして詳細を確認してください

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2021 Office Closure Dates

SEPTEMBER

*Monday 20
(Respect for the Aged Day)*

OCTOBER

*Monday 4
(Queen's Birthday)*

NOVEMBER

*Tuesday 23
(Labour Thanksgiving Day)*

DECEMBER

*Monday 27
(Christmas Day Holiday)*

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

Japanese Film Festival 2021

Brisbane | 11 – 21 November 2021

Palace Cinemas



Please visit the [Japanese Film Festival](#) website for further updates

(Image: Japanese Film Festival)

Wahaha Workshops 2021

Join Wahaha no Kai Brisbane for their COVID-19-related health workshops, For more information please visit:
www.wahahabrisbane.com.au/event2021 (Japanese-language site)

コロナと生きる Zoomで 100名参加可能 対面 定員 50名 日本政府 支援事業

わははブリスベン主催
ヘルスプロフェッショナルによる

参加無料 ワークショップ

第1回	第2回	第3回
8月8日(日)	8月22日(日)	9月5日(日)
DVサポートワーカー KAZ	理学療法士 葛山元基	自然療法士 佐藤怜子
コロナ禍における DVの認識と助けの 求め方	コロナ禍の Social Isolationに 伴う身体機能低下予防 転倒防止	コロナに負けない 強い身体を作る 栄養素と生活習慣

第4回	第5回
10月3日(日)	10月17日(日)
医師(精神科) 菊地俊介	臨床カウンセラー 緒方弘美
コロナ禍における 精神的影響、症状 治療、予防対策	コロナ禍におけるACP (Advance Care Planning) 人生会議の重要性

第6回	第7回	第8回
10月31日(日)	11月14日(日)	11月28日(日)
もぐさ経絡療法士 岡田宏介	メンタルヘルス ソーシャルワーカー ハッサンめぐみ	JCT訪問介護 フロバイダー 沼田貴史、小島直美
コロナ感染予防に役立つ 東洋医学の智慧	コロナ禍における メンタルヘルス	オーストラリアに おける在宅ケア (コロナ禍での注意や 変更に関して)

場所: Indooroopilly Activity Hub
60 Stamford Rd, Indooroopilly QLD 4068

お申込みは↓ **時間: 1pm~3pm**
www.wahahabrisbane.com.au/event2021



JAPANAROO 2021



While many Japan-related events around Australia were forced to be cancelled or postponed this year, we are pleased to share that several events from Japanaroo are now online!

Japanaroo is an initiative to celebrate multiculturalism and exchange with Japan in Australia, with over 50 Japan-related events to be held from Friday, 20 August to Saturday, 2 October 2021.

Find out more at <https://japanaroo.com/>

THE 10TH ASIA PACIFIC TRIENNIAL OF CONTEMPORARY ART

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

The first artists for 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 when the exhibition opens in December 2021. 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, 20 September 2021

Monday, 4 October 2021

Friday, 29 October 2021



The Consulate-General of Japan in Brisbane will be closed on Monday, 20 September 2021 for the Respect for the Aged Day Japanese public holiday, Monday, 4 October 2021 for the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday, and Friday, 29 October 2021 for People's Day. The Consulate-General re-opens on Tuesday, 21 September, Tuesday, 5 October 2021, and Monday, 1 November 2021.

For a full list of office closure dates for 2021, please visit:

<https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/en/about/index.html#officeclosure2021>

Tokyo 2020 Summer Paralympic Games - 100 Things to Know



RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL - SEPTEMBER 13: Shinya Wada of Japan, with his Guide Takashi Nakata, competes at Men's 1500m - T11 during day 6 of the Rio 2016 Paralympic Games at the Olympic Stadium on September 13, 2016 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. (Photo by Lucas Uebel/Getty Images) 2016 Getty Images

Do you know which two sports will be making their Paralympic debuts at Tokyo 2020?

And, what is the name of that adorable Paralympic mascot?

Test your knowledge and find out more!

Here are 100 things you need to know about the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.

<https://olympics.com/tokyo-2020/en/paralympics/news/100-things-to-know-about-the-paralympic-games>

If you only have time for one quick fact:

The Paralympic Symbol

The Paralympic symbol is made up of three agitos (agito meaning "I move" in Latin), which represent movement and bringing athletes together from all corners of the earth. The three colours stand for the colours that are most widely represented in national flags around the world!



How the legacy of Japanese pearl divers is being preserved in the Torres Strait

This year we celebrated Obon (Japanese Day of the Dead) between August 13-16, including on Thursday Island where more than 700 Japanese graves are located. Thursday Island has a long history with Japan beginning with the Japanese pearl divers who first arrived in 1878. Thousands of Japanese lived, worked, and died on the island. Their history is detailed in a recent SBS news segment and article.

"Honouring the legacy of hundreds of dead Japanese pearl divers in Torres Strait"

Descendants of famous Torres Strait pearl diver Tommi Fujii are making sure he and others are not forgotten during Japan's day of the dead Obon.

From the 1880s, more than 6,000 of impoverished Japanese villagers came to the Torres Strait as cheap seasonal workers for the then major Queensland industry exempted from the White Australia policy.

At least one-in-ten died on the job.

In 1942 more than 300 Japanese in the Torres Strait were interned as alien enemies during the Second World War before being deported in 1946.

Extended online version here: <https://www.sbs.com.au/news/how-the-legacy-of-japanese-pearl-divers-is-being-preserved-in-the-torres-strait>

125th Anniversary of First Japanese Consulate in Australia

The year 2021 also marks the 125th anniversary of the establishment of Japan's first Consulate in this country - not in Sydney, Melbourne or any other state capital, but in Townsville back in 7 March 1896. This reflected the large number of Japanese living and working in the Far North Queensland, predominantly as pearl-shell divers in the Torres Straits Islands, such as Thursday Island and as sugarcane workers in the coastal towns and villages.

This was also featured in a past Facebook post and the March 2021 issue of the Consulate Updates newsletter:

<https://www.facebook.com/JapanCons.Brisbane/photos/a.215036672007796/1739804736197641/?type=3>

https://www.brisbane.au.emb-japan.go.jp/downloads/Consulate_Updates_MAR2021.pdf

Townsville also has a Sister City agreement with two Japanese cities, Shunan City (est. 1990) and Iwaki City (est. 1991), you can find out all about them here: <https://www.townsville.qld.gov.au/about-townsville/sister-cities>

These legacies are just some of the many longstanding and wide-ranging ties Japan has with Queensland and Australia, we look forward to celebrating such anniversaries for many more years to come.

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

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

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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: jpncg@bb.mofa.go.jp

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