



# CONSULATE UPDATES

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Mr GOMAKUBO Junji, Consul-General of Japan to Brisbane, has received a warm and heartfelt welcome to Queensland, despite the coldest May in Brisbane in over 70 years. Thank you to QJCCI in particular for hosting a wonderful welcome reception. The Consul-General looks forward to working together with the people of Queensland to further develop ties, and experiencing the warmth and sunshine that Queensland is so renowned for.

You can read a message from him [on our website](#).

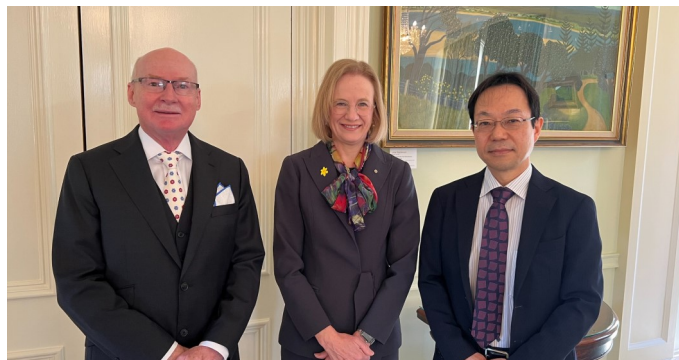


Image: Consul-General GOMAKUBO with Her Excellency the Honourable Dr Jeannette Young AC PSM and Professor Graeme Nimmo RFD

## Japan Month in August

Mark your calendars! Japan Month is returning this August with a number of great Japan-related events. Stay tuned for further details.

If you are interested in holding a Japanese event as part of Japan Month, contact us at [culture@bb.mofa.go.jp](mailto:culture@bb.mofa.go.jp)

## Consul-General on ABC Brisbane

On June 6, Consul-General GOMAKUBO spoke with Rebecca Livingston on ABC Brisbane Radio about his experiences working around the world, things that surprised him about Australia, Japanese toilets, and his cat.

[Listen here](#)



## Power Nadeshiko

The Japan Community of Queensland has released a series of videos aimed at increasing awareness and providing support for Japanese women. These videos cover a wide range of topics including visa, finance, sexual offences, domestic violence, and mental and physical health.

[Watch now](#)

## Central Queensland Hydrogen Project (CQ-H2) signing ceremony

Consul-General GOMAKUBO had the pleasure of officially observing the CQ-H2 signing ceremony. CQ-H2 is Australia's largest green hydrogen project, and aims to produce 800 tonnes/day of clean hydrogen by the early-2030s, and is a prime example of the strengthening of Japan-QLD ties!



## What's on in Queensland



### Art, Fashion and Origami Wed 14 June | Webinar

Hear from Kaori Kato about her illustrious career in origami art and fashion at this free AJS Queensland event.

[Sign up now](#)



### Ghibli Festival Sun 18 June | Market

Visit 123 Charlotte St Brisbane at 10am-3pm to be spirited away to a Studio Ghibli festival with handcrafts and street food!

[View details](#)



### UQ Asian Language Symposium Mon 3 July | Symposium

The Empowering Asian Language Speakers Symposium will discuss ways to increase Asian literacy in Australia.

[Register now](#)



### An Evening at Bonsai House Fri 28 July | Event

Enjoy Japanese culture under the stars with AJS Queensland at the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens' new Bonsai House

[Find out more](#)



### Film Festival Ending Soon

Don't miss your chance to catch Japanese films online for FREE on JFF+ Independent Cinema before they disappear on **June 15!**

[Check it out](#)

## International MANGA award applications



Applications for the 17th Japan International MANGA Award are closing soon. Submit your original published and unpublished manga by **July 7, 2023** (Friday).

[Apply now](#)