

IJS Beat eNewsletter – December 19, 2007

Dear IJS Members and Friends:

Don't miss out on upcoming events in the community and around the world in this issue of the *IJS Beat!*

IJS / JASCO Events

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2. [Beginner Japanese Language Class January 9 – February 27, 2008 on the OSU campus.](#)
3. [JASCO's 9th annual Japanese Speech Contest, March 1, 2008 on The Ohio State University campus.](#)

Other Event

4. [Japanimania – January 19, 2008, 4:00 -6:00pm at Northwest Library. Registration required \(807-2656\).](#)
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News and Announcements

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1. An Evening of Classical Music and Reception with Junichi Hirokami and the Columbus Symphony. Deadline to purchase tickets is December 28th.

Please join us for an evening of extraordinary music conducted by Japanese Maestro Junichi Hirokami with a special reception before the concert. Please see all the detail in English at [English concert flyer](#) and all the details in Japanese at [Japanese concert flyer](#).

2. Japanese language class offered for beginners, January 9- February 27, 2008. Deadline to register is Friday December 19, 2007.

A beginner's level Japanese language class is being offered by JASCO. You do not need to be a member of JASCO to join the class. This class is designed for beginners with no Japanese language skills and those wanting to brush up on their basic skills. The class will meet on Wednesdays for 8 weeks from 6:30-8pm at 109 Oxley Hall on the OSU campus (1712 Neil Ave. at 12th). Please see all the details at the follow the link [Japanese Language class](#). Please call Noriyuki Ito at 292-4002 with any questions you may have.

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3. 9th Annual JASCO Japanese Language Speech Contest.

Wild about the Japanese Language or just enjoy a good challenge? The Japanese Language Speech Contest is the place for you to be! Meet others who are learning Japanese and who are interested in Japan! Win great prizes! Categories for both high school and college students. See [FLYER](#) for all the details and an application. **Deadline is January 30, 2008.**

4. Japanimania – January 19, 2008 at Northwest Library.

Head to the library for Japanimania! Break out your kimono and join us as we celebrate Japanese culture through crafts, candy and more! Lots of activities are planned including making candy sushi, origami, and more. Program runs from 4:00 – 6:00pm. Space is limited so register today! Call 807-2656 to register.

5. Art on a String exhibit at Capital University Schumacher Gallery, March 3, 2008 – April 11, 2008.

Kites were invented and popularized in Asia more than 3,000 years ago. Although many designs remain traditional, Asian kites feature a variety of imaginative shapes and are associated with festivals, holidays, and special events. **Opening Reception: Friday, March 7, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.**
(Please Note: The gallery is closed March 20 - 24 for Easter.) M-Sat 1pm-5pm

6. Hand of Toshiko Takaezu.

This exhibition features the work of one of America's greatest living artist's and is made possible by her remarkable generosity. In 2006, Toshiko Takaezu (1922-) donated 14 ceramics from her personal collection to the Zanesville Art Center. The Art Center had purchased three works from the artist in 1963, while she was still head of the Ceramics Department at the Cleveland institute of Art. The exhibition will also include a fine selection of pieces from the collection of Ron Wetherell.

7. Interdisciplinary East Asian Studies M.A. Program.

Interdisciplinary East Asian Studies M.A. Program, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA
The Ohio State University invites applications for the Interdisciplinary M.A. Program in East Asian Studies. All the details are at [M.A. Program](#). The important deadlines are as follows:
The **deadlines** for applications, if applying for funding, are:
Domestic students: January 5, 2008
International students: November 25, 2007

8. Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies in Yokohama. **Deadline is January 15, 2008.**

Did you know that OSU is a member of the Inter-University Center for Japanese Language Studies in Yokohama? The deadline for applications for 2008-09 is Tuesday, January 15, 2008. The tuition for students applying from member schools will be \$12,000. Non-member school students will pay \$18,000. If you are a student or know of a student who might benefit from a year of Japanese language study at the Center, please be aware of this upcoming deadline. For further information, contact:
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9. Harvard University Program on U.S. – Japan Relations.

Applications are being accepted for an Advanced Research Fellowship at Harvard University. The **deadline for applications is February 1, 2008**. Please go to [application](#) for additional information and an application.

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10. The Japan-U.S. Friendship Commission Prize for the Translation of Japanese Literature.

The Donald Keene Center of Japanese Culture at Columbia University annually awards \$6000 in Japan – U.S. Friendship Commission Prizes for the Translation of Japanese Literature. A prize is given for the best translation of a modern or classical work, or the prize is divided between equally distinguished translations. Please go [Donald Keene](#) for more details and an application form. **Deadline for submission is February 28, 2008.**

11. The Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (Shorenstein APARC) fellowship.

Shakuhachi lessons a The Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center (Shorenstein APARC) in the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University announces the establishment of a postdoctoral fellowship in Northeast Asian History for the 2008–09 academic year. Made possible through the generosity of the Northeast Asian History Foundation, the fellowship will be awarded to a scholar for research and writing on a historical subject that has an impact on modern and contemporary Northeast Asia. Follow [LINK](#) to find out all the details. **Deadline for receipt of all material is March 1, 2008.**

12. The Mike Mansfield Fellowship Program.

During this two-year program, Fellows spend a year working in Japanese government or industry offices, proceeded by a year in Japanese language and area studies training in Washington, D.C. Fellows may bring their families to Japan. Please go to [Mike Mansfield Fellowship](#) for additional information. **Deadline is April 1, 2008**

13. Shakuhachi lessons at Chinese Martial Arts Institute in Columbus.

Michael Chikuzen Gould will teach Shakuhachi lessons on Saturdays and / or Sundays. Follow link for more details. [Shakuhachi lessons](#)

14. Volunteers needed to share Japanese culture!

Are you looking to share your knowledge of Japanese culture with others? If so, this is the opportunity for you! We are currently looking for volunteers with knowledge of Japanese culture such as tea ceremonies, Japanese dance and drumming to name a few. JASCO receives many requests for individuals with these talents. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Nori Ito at (614) 292-4002 or by email at jasco@osu.edu.

15. ConsuLink Newsletter now available from the Consulate General of Japan in Detroit!

The Consulate General of Japan is now offering the ConsuLink Newsletter! Check it out at www.cgjdetroit.org.

16. The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Midwest Newsletter.

The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) has released a newsletter highlighting changing economic fundamentals in Japan. The latest installment can be viewed at [JETRO October, 2007](#) or go to the homepage at [JETRO](#).

17. Columbus Council on World Affairs (CCWA) eNews.

Checkout the Columbus Council on World Affairs upcoming events and information at [CCWA](#).