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Children's Musical: Rainbow Over The Night**

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August

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| Mon | 1 | JCCC closed –Civic Holiday |
| Sat | 6 | Karaoke Club |
| Sun | 7 | Family Movie "Time Traveller" |
| Sat-Sun | 13&14 | Taiko Workshop |
| Sat | 13 | Karaoke Club |
| Mon | 15 | Children's Musical Workshop starts |
| Thu | 18 | Movie Night: 13 Assassins |
| Sat | 27 | Karaoke Club |
| Sat | 27 | Children's Musical "Rainbow Over the Night" |
| Sun | 28 | Hime Kimono –Miniature Kimono Making Workshop |

September

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| Sat | 3 | Karaoke Club |
| Mon | 5 | JCCC closed - Labour Day |
| Sun | 11 | JCCC Family Golf Tournament |
| Mon | 19 | Fall Cultural Classes start |
| Fri | 23 | Ahuri Theatre: A Fools of Life |
| Sat | 24 | Karaoke Club |
| Wed | 28 | Japanese Cooking Class |
| Thu | 29 | Movie Night: Outrage |

October

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| Sun | 2 | Issei Day |
| Sat | 8 | Karaoke Club |
| Mon | 10 | JCCC closed – Thanksgiving Day |
| Thu | 13 | Washi Workshop |
| Sat | 15 | Washi Workshop |
| Wed | 26 | Japanese Cooking Class |
| Thu | 27 | Movie Night: GANTZ |
| Sat | 29 | Karaoke Club |

2 Special Japan Earthquake Relief Benefit Screenings in August!

TIME TRAVELLER- The Girl Who Leapt Through Time

Mention 'The Girl Who Leapt Through Time' to someone, and their minds will likely jump to Mamoru Hosoda's wonderful anime film. After the huge success of Hosoda's anime, *Time Traveller: The Girl Who Leapt Through Time* presents the tale as a live-action version of the time-hopping romantic drama.

When her scientist mother is hospitalised in a car accident, schoolgirl Akari (Riisa Naka) learns of her experiments in time travel and a potion that will enable a person to jump to a time of their choosing. From her hospital bed, her mother asks Akari to deliver an urgent message to a boy she knew in 1972. When Akari mixes up the time potion process and arrives two years too late, she is forced to live in 1974 with student filmmaker Ryota (Akinobu Nakao) as she figures out how to deliver a message to a guy who appears to have never existed.



It's an effective love story made all the more touching by its leads; Riisa Naka (makes for an endearingly adorable heroine, while Akinobu Nakao plays Ryota with an appropriately awkward shyness. The two of them prove adept at bringing quiet, expressive emotion to a romance that's largely predicated on small, tender unspoken moments and chemistry.

Time Traveller is a sweet, touching love story that's occasionally heartbreakingly poignant and a beautiful little romantic drama and a wonderful companion piece to Mamoru Hosoda's animated movie.

Directed by Masaaki Taniguchi and starring Riisa Naka, Akinobu Nakao, Narumi Yasuda and Masanobu Katsumura. Recommended for children 12 and older. All proceeds go to the Japan Earthquake relief through Just Giving Japan (www.justgiving.jp).

Date: Sunday August 7, 2011
Time: 2:00pm
Admission: \$5 Youth (under 18), \$6 JCCC members, \$8 non-members

13 ASSASSINS

Nominated for Japanese Academy Award Best Film 2010 and Winner of 4 Japanese Academy Awards

"Assassins transforms from vivid samurai drama to insane work of genius" - Chris Vognar, Dallas Morning News

"Does Guinness World Records have an entry for longest on-screen fight? If it doesn't, Takashi Miike's "13 Assassins" just set it. And if a record actually exists, Miike's film just broke it." - Sean O'Connell, Washington News



Epic, unforgettable, relentless, magnificently entertaining, Takashi Miike's 2010 masterpiece 13 Assassins has received rave reviews around the globe and was a favourite at last year's Toronto International Film Festival.

It is the end of Japan's feudal era. A group of unemployed samurai are enlisted to bring down a sadistic lord and prevent him from ascending to the throne and plunging the country into a war torn future. Lord Naritsugu is a sadistic and terrifying ruler, a man who goes to great lengths to bring fear to the people and so romanticized with the ways of war and death that his leadership is questioned. His reckless behavior is seen as too high risk for the nation should he ascend to an higher position, therefore respected samurai Shinzaemon is secretly called on to gather a team of samurai to assassinate him. This small army of 13 assassins must do battle with hundreds of soldiers sent to protect the evil lord. What follows are some of the most epic battle sequences and incredible fight scenes in the history of cinema, as the Assassins set a trap

for their enemy and go for the kill in their makeshift "Village of Death!"

Starring Kôji Yakusho, Takayuki Yamada, Gorô Inagaki, Masachika Ichimura and Mikijiro Hira. All proceeds go to the JCCC Foundation Japan Earthquake Relief Fund.

Date: Thursday August 18, 2011
Time: 7:00pm
Admission: \$6 JCCC members, \$8 non-members

Kids and Youth Musical Workshop Performance: Rainbow over the Night

Come see a musical production on **Saturday August 27, 2011** at 4:00pm, featuring the JCCC Kids and Youth Musical Workshop participants from Toronto and Japan. Tickets are \$8 general, \$5 Gr.7-Gr.12, \$3 SK – Gr.6 and are available at the JCCC reception desk. The musical will be in Japanese with English subtitles.

Rainbow over the Night is a warm and touching story about Mu-Mu the Mouse and Anna the Clay Doll. Mu-Mu has been living in the attic of an old couple's home. This old couple, who are world travellers, collect dolls from all around the world, and Mu-Mu watches day-in and day-out from up high, as these dolls show off their grandeur to one another. One day, a new doll, Anna, arrives. Anna is a plain clay doll, with no fancy clothes or pretty hair-dos. She is laughed at by other dolls for her simplicity. But Mu-Mu sees beyond her appearance and develops an unlikely friendship with Anna. All is going well until one day, Mu-Mu and Anna are caught between a fight between the old couple's cat and their pet canary.

Your presence will be very encouraging for the children, since many of the participants will be performing in a musical for the first time. So gather up your family and friends and enjoy this one-of-a-kind unique musical!

Hime Kimono Workshop

Join us for a one of a kind experience! The JCCC is pleased to have Ms. Takako Yoshino of the Kogire Arts Studio offer a Hime Kimono workshop on **Sunday August 28, 2011**.

The Kogire Arts Studio, based in Nagoya, was founded to conserve kimono from the late Edo period up to today. The members research, collect and exhibit kimono to promote and preserve this traditional art. They also spend time studying the designs of the kimono that they have collected. As a participant in this workshop you will have the opportunity to recreate one of these kimono, in miniature.

This is a rare opportunity that you won't want to miss! Class size is limited to just 12 students, so early registration is extremely important if you don't want to miss out.

Date: Sunday August 28, 2011
Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm
Fee: \$ 50 for JCCC members \$60 for non-members (all material fee included)

Coming this Fall: GANTZ

★★★★ - *Japan On Film*

Shinsuke Sato's adaptation of Oku Hiroya's manga was of the biggest and most eagerly awaited blockbusters of this year in Japan. After trying to rescue a man on the subway tracks, two young men wake up in a room dominated by a mysterious black sphere that sends them to hunt down and kill aliens hiding on Earth.

This explosive, action-packed science fiction thriller stars Ninomiya Kazunari (Arashi), Matsuyama Kenichi, Natsuna, and Yoshitaka Yuriko.

Please check the next issue for details on the screening.

JCCC Family Golf Tournament



The JCCC is hosting the 15th Annual Family Golf Tournament on **Sunday September 11, 2011** at Rolling Hills Golf Club. This is a chance for families and friends to share a fun day of golf – all skill levels welcome and there are lots of prizes to be won!

After a great day of golfing, there will be presentations and dinner back at the JCCC. We encourage everyone to join with grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, moms and dads, or just a group of friends. You can play scramble or individual format.

Application forms can be picked up at the JCCC reception area or by contacting us. We also welcome hole sponsors – corporate or family - some sponsor levels include your green fees and contributes to our Heritage programming at the JCCC. Our biggest sponsor, Dundee Wealth Management (Marty Kobayashi), is also generously providing refreshments while out on the course!

So please come on out for a really fun family day!!!! For more information, please contact the JCCC at 416-441-2345 or email Sharon Marubashi (Co-chair) at marubashi@rogers.com.

JCCC Board of Directors News

The JCCC held the Annual General Meeting on June 27th and approved the financial statements that showed a loss due to an emergency replacement of a new roof and lower than expected donations. The board presented plans for new programmes, fundraising and leasing to achieve financial stability.

To push hard at leasing the remaining parts of the building the Leasing committee is making room for new tenants on the second floor and construction is underway.

Preparations are also being made to renovate the Japan Information Centre (JIC) space on the first floor now that the lease is coming to an end and the JCCC will be taking over the space. While the leasehold improvements, furniture and fixtures are largely being left behind for use by the JCCC, we have a great opportunity to create an educational resource area, library and historical displays in the former JIC space. Also, with the ending of the JIC lease in January 2012, the JCCC offices will re-locate to the first floor creating more leasing opportunities from the 2nd floor.

To help with our building plans, we were able to obtain an infrastructure grant from the Trillium Foundation, and will be able to repair and add some space to our parking lot as well as other infrastructure projects.

As you can see, the JCCC Board of Directors is diligently planning for the future. Our activities, programs and events continue to grow and therefore the physical building is undergoing changes that will support and provide the best facilities for our membership and the community at large.

We are also please to announce a new Board of Directors for the 2011-2012 term - with 2 new Directors nominated: Chris Hope and Chris Reid plus the return of Ann Ashley, Art Ito, Junko Mifune and Cary Rothbart. The rest of the Board consists of: Donna Davis, Shari Hosaki, George Hewson, Gary Kawaguchi, Marty Kobayashi, Sharon Marubashi, James Matsumoto, Lorene Nagata, Yuki Nakamura, Russell Onizuka, Nao Seko and Peter Wakayama. We are all looking forward to a great year!

Hats off to Sally!



A great big THANK YOU! to Sally Kumagawa, Database Coordinator at the JCCC.

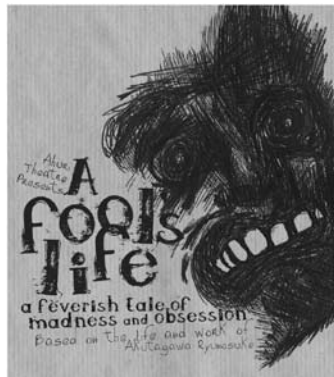
While the extremely generous outpouring of support for the JCCC Foundation Earthquake Relief Fund has impacted the workload of all staff members at the JCCC, Sally's always busy desk has seen an unprecedented volume of donations in the past few months. With the help of a couple of key volunteers, Sally has been working hard to process the over 3,000 additional donations that we have received for the Japan Earthquake Relief Fund. What does that mean? During the month of April alone, we received nearly TEN times the regular number of donations for that period. We are still receiving donations almost 5 months after the tragedy.

We would like to thank the volunteers from the community groups who spent many hours computerizing their donor lists, the company who generously sent one of their staff members to work at the JCCC for several days, and our onsite data entry volunteers. Your efforts have certainly made a difference.

To all of the donors who have been waiting for their income tax receipts, thank you for being so very patient. The sheer volume of donations (and mail strike) has backlogged the delivery of your income tax receipts. We are working hard to process your donations as quickly as possible.

Coming this September: A Fools Life

In September 2011, Ahuri Theatre will team up with the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre to present a new play entitled *A Fool's Life*. This original multi-disciplinary theatre piece is based on the life and short stories of modern Japanese author Ryunosuke Akutagawa, one of the most celebrated modern Japanese writers, and best known as the author of *Rashomon*.



The play tells the story of Akutagawa's feverish mental deterioration in the last few days before he committed suicide in 1927. While attending a wedding in Tokyo, Akutagawa receives news of his brother-in-law's suicide. What follows is a feverish mental break down caused by his struggles in balancing his artistic passions with his obligations to his family. As he descends further into his mania, the world of his writing intrudes on reality manifesting itself with terrifying results.

This presentation uses aspects of Japanese forms of Noh (dance) and Butoh (mime), three different languages, shadow puppetry and projections on a set made entirely of paper. It also uses live music provided by Japanese Kagura drummer Gaishi Ishizaka, and features Japanese actress Haruna Kondo. It was developed with the support of the Toronto Arts Council, Ontario Arts Council, Canada Council for the Arts (through the Japan Fund). An earlier draft of the piece was presented at the Japan Foundation of Toronto. Please look for details in the next issue of the newsletter.

HULA for Health 健康のためのフラ Fall session (10 weeks)

• Beginner Class* (Wednesdays)

September 14, - November 16, 2011, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

*Some space available for new students. Basics of hula will be taught.

• Intermediate Class* (Mondays)

September 12 - November 21, 2011 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Mondays Class A (ideal for seniors)

Mondays Class B

[No class on Monday, October 10, 2011 due to Thanksgiving Day]

*Some space available for new students. Must know basic steps. Please call at 416-441-2345 or email jccc@jccc.on.ca for registration and inquiries.

Fee: \$50 plus HST [JCCC membership required]

Please register by Wednesday, August 31, 2011.

Canadian Japanese Hockey League Celebrating Its 50th Anniversary

by Mel Tsuji

Old time friendships and distant memories will be freshly renewed this fall when the Canadian Japanese Hockey League (CJHL) celebrates its 50th anniversary. Hundreds of players, past and present, are expected to attend the celebratory dinner being held at the JCCC in Toronto on **Saturday October 22, 2011**, which is the actual anniversary date of the formation of the league in 1961.



An organizing committee of former players has been working since last year, trying to reach as many former and present players as possible. They say that they've received enthusiastic feedback about the celebration, with most former players saying they plan to attend. It's because of that kind of reaction that people are urged to buy their tickets early to ensure their availability.

A reception-social with a cash bar will be held from 4:00pm to 6:00pm in the Shokokai Court. Dinner is scheduled to begin at 6:30pm in Kobayashi Hall. A buffet of all the old time Japanese Canadian delicacies is being planned. Proceeds from the night will go towards the JCCC and the CJHL.

A golf tournament is also being planned by the league for August.

Tickets for the dinner can be purchased for \$85 a couple or \$50 for singles. Tickets can be purchased by sending cheques to Rick Matsumoto, 10 Dunmurray Blvd., Toronto, M1T 2J9. He can be contacted at 416-291-2789 or rmast@rogers.com. Last date for tickets sales is Sept 30, 2011.

Additional information can be obtained by emailing Bob Miwa at amiwa9@yahoo.ca or 416-499-7087 or Mel Tsuji at meltsuji@yahoo.ca.

Sedai Corner

The Sedai Project is committed to collecting, documenting, preserving and sharing the history of the Japanese Canadians. We, the Sedai Committee, collect and preserve the Japanese Canadian history through audio



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and video recordings in a relaxed interview format. We continue to search for all Japanese Canadians who were born in the pre-war and war years to come and share their stories with us.

The Sedai Project is pleased to report that as of June 30, 2011, 102 individuals have assisted us in documenting and preserving the Japanese Canadian history by sharing their stories with us in a Sedai interview. We would like to extend our heartfelt thank you to Mary Katsuno and Eleanor Maruno for allowing us to preserve their unique stories. We would also like to thank Mary Ikeda and Marie Ikeda for sharing the history of Sumi-e.

Here are a few more questions to help you continue to develop and compose your story. When you were growing up, which school(s) did you attend? Who were your teachers and classmates? How many Japanese children were in your class? What was your favourite subject? Where did you go to school during World War II? How was it different from before? Were you able to continue your studies during and after the war years?

We strive to collect and document countless stories because every life experience is unique to each individual and every story is important to our cultural heritage. We would like to ask those who have a story to please help us preserve the Japanese Canadian history for your family and our future generations. Anyone who wishes to share their story or who wishes to learn more about Sedai please contact Lisa Uyeda at 6 Garamond Court, Toronto, ON, M3C 1Z5 or lisa.uyeda@jccc.on.ca or info@sedai.ca or by telephone at 416-441-2345 ext 303. In the meantime you can also find more information about the project at www.sedai.ca.

JCCC Origami Crane Project

With over 130 schools across Toronto and the GTA, the JCCC Origami Crane Project totals an estimated 60,000 cranes and thousands of letters, pictures, photographs, and flags. The volunteers have been an integral component to the success of the project; visiting schools all across the city and helping prepare the cranes as Senbazuru (1000 strung cranes) for Japan. Our volunteers have also begun assisting with the delivery of the cranes and hope letters during their travels to Japan.

One volunteer, who delivered Senbazuru's to Japan this summer, reported: *"The students were very surprised to learn that the children in a far away country, Canada, were concerned about them. They were very happy and excited about knowing what the messages in English say."* – Koko Kikuchi, Iwate Kenjinkai

We welcome volunteers to join us in this project as there is much preparation needed to complete and deliver the Senbazuru. If you would like to volunteer for this project please email jcccorigamicrane@gmail.com or contact Lisa Uyeda at lisa.uyeda@jccc.on.ca 6 Garamond Court, Toronto, ON, M3C 1Z5 416 441 2345 ext 303 for further information.

Guess the Number of Cranes Contest

The JCCC Origami Crane Project has filled the JCCC display case with thousands of cranes! Stop by the display case next to the Gendai Gallery and Heritage Lounge to check it out. Make a guess or two, along with your \$1 Japan Earthquake Relief Donation for each guess, for your chance to win an iPod!



Volunteers Wanted for JC History Project



Photo courtesy of Mika Fukuma.

Would you like to help preserve historic photos and other artifacts for the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre's archives? Here are the details of the latest project of the Nikkei Heritage Resource Centre:

The goal is to preserve and identify artifacts pertaining to the Japanese- Canadian history so they can be used for exhibitions, research, and as a community resource. The JCCC's collection has been growing for years without any procedures and protocols in place until now.

A dedicated group led by Kathy Okawara and Theresa Takasaki, as part of the Heritage Committee, has established an archival process to ensure the material is preserved and its information is easily accessible for future generations. This involves detailed cataloguing of each item in the Centre's large collection.

Several volunteers have started working on this project—they include a variety of Issei, Ijusha, Nisei, Sansei, and Yonsei; plus other Canadians who studied in Japan, and history buffs, etc.).

We welcome more helpers for this major undertaking— no experience or computer skills are required. We particularly can use help from anyone who can identify places, events and people in our pre-war, war and immediate post-war photo collection.

Currently we are working on the largest category in the collection: photographs from way back when. A bonus to our efforts has been discovering interesting facts about Japanese-Canadian history as well as identifying familiar faces and family connections.

So please come and enjoy the camaraderie of sharing stories and unique observations while examining and cataloguing the photographs. To participate in this interesting project, contact Toshiko Yamashita, heritage@jccc.on.ca or 416-441-2345 ext. 227. No commitment of time is required ... just come out to an archive session whenever you are free.

(During the summer vacation or weekends, we encourage student participation which counts for high school volunteering credit. Computer and scanning assignments in addition to archival cataloguing are available.)

Canadian Foundation for Physically Disabled Persons joins the JCCC family

JCCC is very happy to welcome the Canadian Foundation for Physically Disabled Persons (CFPDP) as a part of the family.

CFPDP was founded in 1985 to assist people with physical disabilities to live fuller lives. Its mission is to create awareness in public, business communities and government of the abilities of persons with disabilities and their needs in the areas of housing, employment, education and sports.

CFPDP's contribution to the disability movement is admired all across Canada. One of our projects, the Terry Fox/Canadian Disability Hall of Fame has a permanent home at Metro Hall which is open to the public. So far the 77 Canadians inducted are elite individuals in the Canadian Disability movement. Rick Hansen who went around the world in his wheelchair, Jeff Adams who climbed the CN Tower in his wheelchair, Joan Mactavish, a teacher who helped Mae Brown a deaf-blind student to graduate from University of Toronto.

The original artwork is done by Wayne Terry and Shannon Parks. JCCC is very pleased to announce that CFPDP has agreed to display their unique original Hall of Fame collection on the 2nd floor hallway.

Kyudo Demonstration at Ontario Japanese Speech Contest

by Karen Suzuki



From left: Chris Sora, Raymond Okamoto, Karen Suzuki, photo courtesy of Nanik Sutedjo.

On March 12, the Seikyu Kai had the opportunity to demonstrate Kyudo (Japanese archery) to contestants competing in the 29th Annual Ontario Japanese Speech Contest held at the J.J.R. MacLeod Auditorium at the University of Toronto.

Chris Sora, acting as MC, enlightened the audience on such topics as

the history of Kyudo and its particular history with the JCCC, the equipment, and the 8 steps (hassetsu) of Kyudo. Nanik Sutedjo, Ray Okamoto and Karen Suzuki were on hand to demonstrate techniques and bring kyudo to life for the audience.

The audience enjoyed the question and answer period of the demonstration very much. They were able to get up close and personal as the demonstrators took the equipment into the audience. Two of the things that particularly interested the audience were the arrow and kake (glove). During the explanation of the equipment, Chris explained that there is a notch on the thumb section of the glove which is where the string goes and that there are two different types of arrows where the feathers are put on differently. Unless you have a chance to look at these features up close, you would never be able to see them. These are some of the small details on the equipment that the audience had a chance to see.

The overall demonstration was informative and very interactive. Many people took an interest in Kyudo after being able to experience some of the aspects of this martial art.

About the Yamaha Keyboard Class



This class had been established by Yamaha for seniors to promote a more active lifestyle and enjoy their music in a relaxing atmosphere. It is now open to adults of all ages. Even though most of the students start with no experience, many can eventually

perform simple improvisations through practice with this class.

We use textbooks edited by Yamaha and many compositions arranged to suite the students' level and interest.

The repertoires are selected from all genres, including pops, simple classics, American, European, Japanese and more.

There are the testimonials from the students.

• *It is indeed with great pleasure to have Junko be my keyboard instructor as it certainly made my retirement that much interesting. I wish to extend my deepest gratitude from your inspiring lectures to us this certainly help build our self confidence and positive thinking. Please accept my extend gratitude and continue with your great work.* (Jessica Chen)

• *I was a total beginner when I started a few years ago. I have not been able to play complicated songs yet, but I am always wondering what will be next song? Do I know it? Fast? Slow? Easy? Difficult? Anyway, it is quite different from just listening to someone else playing, but in fact, I can now play songs with efforts that make me feel a little proud and fun. That is the reasons why I continue taking classes, and I am pleased to have such a patient and great teacher.* (Seiko Merante)

• *I never took a piano lesson when I was a child, but my dream to play piano was always on my mind. Several years ago, at the JCCC, Yamaha announced that it would open a class for people who were over 65 years of age with no experience in playing piano. I enrolled right away. This course is divided into several groups according to the level of students' skill. We use keyboards and basic 4 text books to learn to play. The teacher gives us some additional sheets to enjoy piano while learning to play.*

We learn the basics, how to read notes, signs, time values, scales etc. We find time to practice at home which is crucial to improving. We are surprised with joy by playing Christmas Carols, many others such as "Swan Lake", "Hey Jude", "Feelings", "Serenade" by Schubert, "Vienna Woods" by Strauss etc.

Private lessons are available to anyone who will receive intensive teaching. I've heard that playing piano would be helpful to slowing aging by using our eyes, brain and of course fingers.

Playing piano has become an important part of my life. I'm glad I've started. (Eiko Shibatani)

For further information, please refer to the class brochure enclosed with this newsletter or visit www.jccc.on.ca. Registration information is also available by calling the JCCC 416-441-2345.

2011 Fall and Winter Class Brochure
is now available!

Popular classes fill up quickly
so make sure you register soon!

Aikido Seminar Raises Funds for Japan Earthquake Relief

by JCCC Aikikai



On Sunday June 5 the JCCC Aikikai held a seminar to raise funds for Japan Earthquake Relief. The local Shidoin, Turner sensei, Hewson sensei, and Nakamura sensei,

and the chief instructor at the JCCC Aikikai, Obata Shihan, each taught a one-hour class. Approximately 65 Aikido students from across Ontario participated and through their generosity \$2,130 was raised. All of the proceeds from the seminar were donated to the JCCC Foundation Earthquake Relief Fund.

The students and instructors of the JCCC Aikikai would like to wish the people of Japan continued strength and resilience in their recovery from the disaster.

Successful Euchre Night!

On June 17, 28 spirited individuals gathered in the Wynford Room to determine the Annual JCCC Euchre Champion. The group included new players, regulars and returning players. The reputation of the event had the trash talk starting early with one our youngest players vowing to take down his elders. Unfortunately for Kevin Kobayashi the cards would not cooperate. Many players scored huge points in the eight hands of play per round, as they attempted to come out on top.

After nine games of play, Stacey Takashima, one of our last minute competitors and a first time JCCC tournament player, came out ahead of everyone else with 69 points. Trailing behind by a single point was Mike Koyata and just 2 points behind him was Mike Ogino. In fact the top eleven players were just 9 points apart and there were multiple players tied for the top seven positions. The Banzai prize was awarded on a different basis this year. There were three different ways that it could be awarded. The winner would either have the most loners in the night, the last loner of the night or it would be mystery draw from all the candidates. In the end, the most loners category was chosen by ballot and we had a tie between Mike Ogino and Harry Mizutani who each scored 4 loners.

To learn more about the other players and their final positions and to be a part of all the fun, plan to be at next year's Euchre night!!!



Euchre Night participants. Photo courtesy of Tak Yano.

An Evening of Aloha with The Makaha Sons

by Pam Pitz

It is with great pleasure to announce the return of The Makaha Sons to Toronto again this fall. Arrangements were made with the JCCC to once again use Kobayashi Hall for the performances which will be on **Friday September 30, 2011 and Saturday October 1, 2011** at 7:30pm.

Prior to The Makaha Sons' Performances, entertainment will include the Children's Ukelele Ensemble (part of the Children's Ukelele Program lead by Melanie, Doane), performances by local Halaus (Hula Dance Schools including the JCCC's Hula-for-Health), and a few other entertaining surprises!

For 34 years, the Makaha Sons have committed themselves to perpetuate traditional Hawaiian music throughout Hawai'i and the world. They are a trio, consisting of members Louis "Moon" Kauakahi on 6-string guitar, John Koko on upright acoustic bass and Jerome Koko on 12-string guitar. They are recognized as one of Hawai'i's premiere Hawaiian musical groups, maintaining a vibrant sound, full and rich with harmonies that only they can create. Their incomparable vocal arrangements and delightful stage presence filled with comical antics have won the hearts of thousands of fans worldwide.

The Makaha Sons perform throughout Hawaii, the mainland of United States and Japan. More recently they did shows in Mexico and Canada. Their show also features the Hula stylings of Kealo Koko Simpson, Kyoko Kauakahi and Shadow Koko. Net proceeds will go to the Children's Ukelele Program in Toronto which is lead by Juno Award Winner, Melanie Doane. The Program gives children the chance to experience the joy of music through the ukelele. Funding is needed to help kids join the program, especially those whose family cannot otherwise afford private lessons. Melanie and many of the teachers and parents support the idea that the ukelele can be a wonderful springboard to other stringed instruments. They are affordable, light weight, and easy to hold. The program can give the children a wonderful sense of accomplishment and build the foundation for a lifetime of enjoyment through music. This program is an excellent fit in terms of our "Evenings of Aloha" with The Makaha Sons since the ukelele is at the heart of Hawaiian Music.

Tickets will be \$45 per person with a \$5 discount for those wishing to attend both concerts (i.e., two concerts \$85/person). Tickets are now available and can be ordered through the JCCC 416-441-2345. Based on the experience two years ago, audiences will be treated to a wonderful evening of Hawaiian music and culture and people should buy their tickets early, and arrive early since it is general seating (other than for complementary tickets for Corporate Sponsors and for those performing). Aloha!



Hiroshima Day Commemoration

by Sid Ikeda

The Hiroshima Day Coalition Committee together with Peace Movement Organizations invites everyone to attend the commemoration on Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day. Action to abolish Nuclear Weapons for the future safety of our children must be taken immediately. We need audience participation in order to reach our goal

Date: Saturday August 6, 2011

Location: Church of the Holy Trinity, Eaton Centre (located on west side of the Mall)

Time: 6:00pm (doors open), 6:40pm Program starts. Please arrive early as seating is limited.

Hiroshima and Nagasaki Poster Display

Hiroshima/Nagasaki Poster Display will be shown. It is a collection of very impressive artwork and comments by the people affected by the atomic bomb.

Dates: Tuesday August 2 to Friday August 5, 2011

Location: North York Civic Centre

Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm

Beauties of Asia 2011

by Beauties of Asia 2011 Committee

The Grand Final of Beauties of Asia 2011 was a great success! Congratulations to Shireen Ali from the Indian Community who won the title of Miss Beauties of Asia 2011, Fahesha Raquel from Philippine Community, 1st Runner up and Cindy Liu from Chinese Community, 2nd Runner up. Marlene Cheng and Joe Song the founders of Beauties of Asia extend their appreciation to all community partners from different Asian associations for their support. Sincere thanks to the Beauties of Asia 2011 committee members, contestants, judges, performers and volunteers. Looking forward to the search for Miss Beauties of Asia 2012!

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The JCCC is pleased to be able to offer our members an exciting new membership benefit at the Haliburton Language School.

Karra Wesley, director of Haliburton Language School, started her own school in the resort town of Haliburton, Ontario after ten years teaching ESL in strictly urban centres. Her move to Haliburton has been a positive one as she gets to combine her passion for the outdoors with her passion for languages.

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The New Japanese Canadian Association (NJCA) Summer BBQ Party

by New Japanese Canadian Association

NJCA's famous annual BBQ Party will be held on **Sunday August 28, 2011 11:30am to 3:00pm** at the JCCC. We invite everyone in the JC Community to join and enjoy a summer day together. All you can eat famous BBQ meat and food, many booths, games and prizes. Cash bar. This event is co-sponsored by the JCCC.

Admission: NJCA and JCCC members - adult \$8, family \$20, senior/child \$5, toddlers free.

Non-members - adult \$10, family \$25, senior/child \$6, toddlers free. (Family=2 adults and up to 3 children. Child=6 to 12 years old). You can join the NJCA on BBQ day.

Enquiries:

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Wynford Bowlers Needed!!!!

by The Wynford Bowling League

The Wynford Bowling League is currently looking for new 5 pin bowlers, age 55 and over, to join their fun-filled and non-competitive league. No experience is necessary, as handicaps are calculated at the beginning of the season.

Bowling is either on Thursday or Friday mornings, from 9:30am until noon, starting in September. Playoffs are in mid-April, and the season concludes with a scrumptious buffet banquet and awards ceremony in early May.

The alley is located at O'Connor Bowl, 1401 O'Connor Drive. All you need to join is a JCCC and Wynford Seniors membership! If you are interested, the bowlers welcome you to check out the alley on any Monday morning, from 9:30am-11:30am, where some practice year round.

For more information or to join, please contact Tak Nishino at 416-267-6872 by mid-August.

Haiku Corner

俳句コーナー

こだま 「おーい」と淋しい人 「おーい」と淋しい山

井泉水

kodama ooi to samishii hito

ooi to samishii yama

Seisensui

Echo

"Hey!" calls the lonely man

"Hey!" calls the lonely mountain.

月も 今日ねざる 夜を待つ光かな 宗牧
tsuki mo kyou nezaru yowo matsu hikari kana Souboku

The moon too cannot sleep,

Awaiting, today,

The brilliance!

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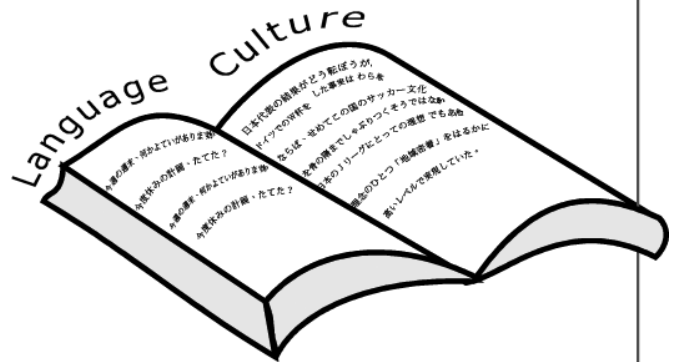
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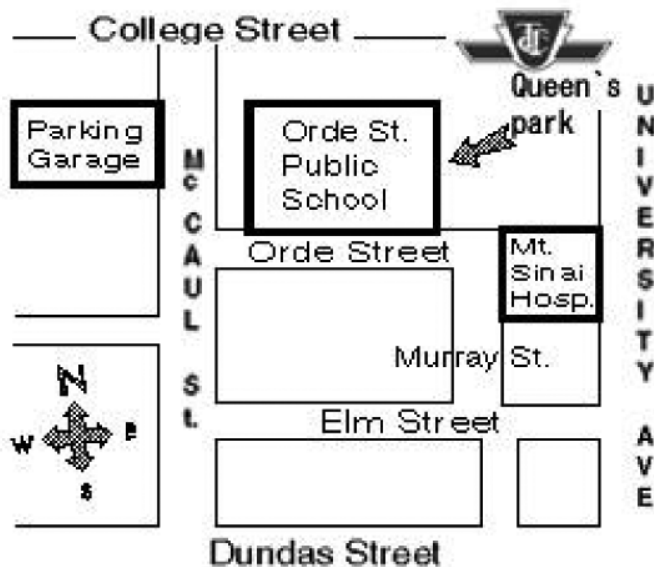


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English with subtitles 英語字幕付き

Admissions: Youth \$5 / JCCC members \$6 / Non-members \$8

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ASSASSINS

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On DVD and Blu-ray September 13, 2011

Thursday, August 18, 2011 7pm

Japanese with English subtitles
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Todd Brown, Twitch

OUTRAGE

アウトレイジ A FILM BY TAKESHI KITANO

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2011

TIME: 7PM · ADMISSION: \$8, JCCC MEMBERS: \$6

Takeshi Kitano, the master of the modern Yakuza film is back with this 2010 tale of power struggles amongst Tokyo's Yakuza clans. Expect constant betrayal, ever-changing allegiances, retaliation, killings, territorial invasions and the odd flash of dark humour.

Starring a who's-who of Japanese stars including Takeshi Kitano, Kippei Shiina, Ryo Kase, Tomokazu Miura and Jun Kunimura.



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8・9・10月の行事予定

8月

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| 1日(月) | JCCC 休館—Civic Holiday |
| 6日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |
| 7日(日) | 「時をかける少女」上映 |
| 13-14日(土日) | 和太鼓ワークショップ |
| 13日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |
| 15日(月) | 子供ミュージカルワークショップ開始 |
| 18日(木) | 映画鑑賞会「13人の刺客」 |
| 27日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |
| 27日(土) | 子供ミュージカル「夜空の虹」 |
| 28日(日) | 姫着物作成ワークショップ |

9月

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| 3日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |
| 5日(月) | JCCC 休館—Labour Day |
| 11日(日) | JCCCファミリーゴルフトーナメント |
| 19日(月) | 秋季クラス開講 |
| 23日(金) | Ahuri劇団 A Fools of Life 上演 |
| 24日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |
| 28日(水) | 和食クッキングワークショップ |
| 29日(木) | 映画鑑賞会「アウトレイジ」 |

10月

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| 2日(日) | 一世デー |
| 8日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |
| 10日(月) | JCCC 休館—Thanksgiving Day |
| 13日(木) | 和紙ワークショップ |
| 15日(土) | 和紙ワークショップ |
| 26日(水) | 和食クッキングクラス |
| 27日(木) | 映画鑑賞会「GANTZ」 |
| 29日(土) | カラオケクラブ会合 |

JCCCファミリーゴルフトーナメント

第15回ファミリーゴルフトーナメントが2011年9月11日(日)にRolling Hills Golf Clubで行われます。スキルは問わず、家族や友人がみんな楽しむことを目的としたトーナメントです。親子、祖父母、叔父叔母、兄弟姉妹、友人同士などのような組み合わせでも参加できます。またスポンサーも募集中です。ゴルフトーナメントの収益の一部はヘリテージ関連のプログラムに充てられます。申込書、または詳細はJCCC 416-441-2345またはシャロン・マルバシ marubashi@rogers.com (英語)までお問い合わせ下さい。

子供ミュージカル「夜空の虹」

昨夏の「ロビンソン*ロビンソン」公演で観客に感動の渦を巻き起こした劇団「大きな夢」が、今年もオリジナルミュージカル「夜空の虹」で、夏の終わりの思い出を作ってくれます。

公演は8月15日から26日まで行われるJCCC「日本語で学ぼう・楽しもう」のミュージカルサマーワークショップの最終成果披露として行われます。トロントからの参加者と日本の劇団「大きな夢」所属の劇団員(小学生から大学生)とで一緒に行うワークショップは、プロの指導人による歌や踊りの、厳しさの中に楽しさがある他に類を見ない企画です。(詳細はワークショップ記事をご覧ください。)

日本で数々の舞台を踏んでいる日本の劇団員たちと、カナダから参加の子供たちが作り上げるステージが今年も楽しみです。今年には英語字幕が付きまます!大人顔負けの感動的な演技、歌とダンスで定評のある大きな夢のミュージカルをご家族でお楽しみください。

日時: 2011年8月27日(土)午後4時開演

詳細は、日系文化会館受付、416-441-2345までご連絡ください。チケットは只今発売中です。

あらすじ

夜空の虹はねずみのムームと粘土人形アンナとの切なくそして心温まる物語。老夫婦が住むいえの屋根裏部屋に住んでるねずみのムームそして世界各国を旅しいろんな国の人形たちを集める老夫婦は艶やかな衣装に身を包む人形たちを眺めてはうっとりする毎日。そんなある日新しい人形、アンナがやってきました。何のかがざりのない質素ないでたちの粘土人形のアンナをみてみんなが馬鹿にします。そんな中ムームとアンナは友情を深めていきます。老夫婦が飼っている猫とカナリアの喧嘩に巻き込まれるまでは。。。

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*「13人の刺客」(2010年) 8月18日(木)午後7時、入場料はJCCC会員\$6、非会員\$8。1963年に公開された同名映画を、鬼才・三池崇史がリメイクした超大型時代劇アクション。主演の役所広司を筆頭に、同士となる刺客に山田孝之、伊勢谷友介、伊原剛志、沢村一樹、松方弘樹ら。さらに冷血で残酷な暴君に稲垣吾郎、彼の忠実な家臣に市村正親という、まさに日本映画界を代表する豪華な顔ぶれが集結。“十三人の刺客”それぞれに、キャラクターや背景までうかがえる見せ場を用意してあるのも、三池監督らしい心憎い演出だ。そしてクライマックスとなるのは、“ラスト50分の壮絶な死闘”。人を斬ると切れ味が鈍るので、用意しておいた無数の刀を使い捨てにしていく描写など、恐ろしいほどのリアリティ。宿場町全体を大きな罠に仕立て上げる、大胆不敵な知略の数々も見どころだ。(goo映画より)

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JCCC理事会活動報告

先月6月27日に日系文化会館年次総会が開かれ、新しい屋根の修理、そして予想されていた寄付の減少に伴う損失を含む年度末決算書が承認されました。理事会は財政的安定を達成するための、新しいプログラム、ファンドレイジング、リース関連事業などの計画などを提示しました。

また、賃貸事業委員会による会館内に残されたスペースの有効活用が積極的に推し進められており、新しいテナント用のオフィススペースの改装工事が進行中です。

日本広報文化センター(JIC)のリース契約期限が2012年1月に終了するのに伴い、JCCCオフィスがその後移転することになりました。そして現在その為の改装工事の準備がされています。JICスペースには現存する設備器具がそのままJCCCように残されるため、教育情報エリア、図書館、歴史関連ディスプレイなどの設置が計画されています。今回The Trillium Foundationから、会館の改装などの緒計画を遂行するための基盤資金が援助され、会館施設の補修工事、また駐車場の駐車スペースの増加そしてその他のプロジェクトに充てられます。

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また、2011-2012年度JCCC理事会に新しいメンバーを迎えたことをご報告いたします。今期も理事会役員として再任されたAnn Ashley, Art Ito, Junko Mifune and Cary Rothbartに加えChris HopeとChris Reidが新しく選任されました。現存の理事メンバー構成: Donna Davis, Shari Hosaki, George Hewson, Gary Kawaguchi, Marty Kobayashi, Sharon Marubashi, James Matsumoto, Lorene Nagata, Yuki Nakamura, Russell Onizuka, Nao Seko and Peter Wakayama.今年度も素晴らしい飛躍の事業年度となりますことを願っております。

マーナー英子さん「芸道ひとすじ」

トロント紅白やなつかしのメロディー等でお馴染みのマーナー英子さんが、大分県で開催された「2010年度大分県地域選抜歌謡フェスタ」において出演歌手55名の中から選ばれて、オリジナル曲「芸道ひとすじ」を受賞しました。作曲は神田晃現さん(日本作曲家協会会員、大分県歌謡指導者協会会長)、作詞は神田陽子さん(声楽家)です。「芸道ひとすじ」は、地唄舞の第一人者である竹原はんさんの生涯をヒントに、日本舞踊家(花柳さわ英華)でもある英子さんのイメージを重ね合わせて、舞踊の世界を描いたものです。

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