

Welcome to Japan Week 2013

Opportunity to Unite:

Building a Strong Global Community

As we set our course for the future in the new millennium, Japan Week 2013 gives us the opportunity to build a bridge between cultures that will enable us to share our knowledge and experiences of Japan through lectures, symposia, workshops, events, and awards. Japan Week 2013 demonstrates SHU's ongoing commitment towards bringing together people of different races, religions, cultures, and ethnic backgrounds. In addition, Japan Week 2013 provides an atmosphere conducive to a greater understanding of Japan and its people. It is our hope that participants in these events will become leaders in a flourishing dialogue between Japan and the United States who will work towards building a more peaceful global community.

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April 4 (Thursday)

11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

Japanese Language & Digital Storytelling Awards Ceremony



The Japanese Program is happy to announce its best and most motivated learners of Japanese language study. Students also will be recognized for their continued effort through receiving Digital Storytelling Awards. Awards will be presented by Dean Christopher Kaiser, and Prof. Wendy Sue Williams. Hosted by Language Resource Center.

12:30 - 1:45 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

SHU-JAPAN Exchange Program



Participants of SHU-Japan Exchange Program, the JET Program, and the Department of State's Critical Language Scholarship share their experiences of living abroad in Japan. All students interested in studying abroad are welcome to attend the event. Hosted by Ms. Maria Bouzas, Director of the Office of International Programs.

April 5 (Friday)

9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

The Sixteenth Annual Graduate Student/School Teacher Symposium on Japanese Studies



Graduate students' research papers will be presented and discussed in this day-long conference. Ms. Kristin Wingate (Bernards Township Public Schools) will deliver her keynote speech, "How to Prepare a Well-Built Resume."

April 8 (Monday)

4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

Contemporary Popular Japanese Foods

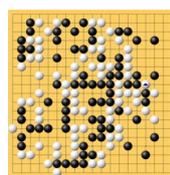


Japanese B-kyū gourmet is a non luxury family-style food which Japanese consume on a daily basis. Participants will learn about Japanese B-kyū gourmet and have the opportunity to taste Udon noodle. Hosted by Prof. Fumiko Bacon, Asian Studies Program.

April 9 (Tuesday)

3:30-4:30 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

Understanding Game of Go (Igo)



Igo (*lit.*, board game of capturing territory) is what some consider to be the Japanese version of chess. Master Narumi Osawa, 4th Rank Igo professional dispatched by the Agency for Cultural Affairs (Bunka-chō) of Japanese government, will give a lecture on the game of Igo. Participants have an opportunity to practice and enjoy Igo as well. Hosted by Dr. Scott Gregory, Asian Studies Program.

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. NU 113 - Amphitheatre

Movie: The Ramen Girl



An American girl is stranded in Tokyo after breaking up with her boyfriend. Searching for a new way of life, she trains to be a ramen chef under a traditional ramen master. Ramen is the most popular Japanese noodle dish and is inexpensive, instant, and artistic. Through her training, she recognizes the soul of Japan and establishes a new outlook on life. Directed by Robert Ackerman (2008, PG-13, 102 min. English subtitles). Hosted by Dr. Shigeru Osuka, Japanese Program.

April 10 (Wednesday)

Fourteenth Annual Kite Contest

Registration, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m. University Green
Contest and Awards Ceremony, 3 p.m.



Contestants bring their handmade kite to the University Green to participate in the contest. Hosted by Seton Hall University's Asian Studies Association (Rain date: April 18). Kite Making Workshop: Monday March 25 at 8:30 p.m. (Fahy Hall 101).

April 11 (Thursday)

11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Beck Room, Walsh Library

Doing Business in Japan: Challenges and Opportunities

Mr. Daiki Nakajima, Representative for Information Communication Technology & Environment, Business Development at JETRO New York, examines the current Japanese business situation and gives guidance for the future of business opportunities in Japan. Hosted by Dr. Yui Suzuki, School of Diplomacy and International Relations.

All events are open to the public and free of charge (The program is subject to change)

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