

TPIEF Bulletin

Returning Again This Year! Intercultural Exchange Festivals ♪

Kurayoshi International Exchange Fest 2016

One World, Connecting with Smiling Faces

[Time] Sunday, 27 November 2016 [Venue] Houki Shiawase no Sato (Kurayoshi City)

As in every year in the past, this festival was a popular draw for people eager to meet the countries of the world and enjoy unusual and delightful dishes! The booths were bustling with activity as soon as the festival began at 11AM. By half past noon, the food at every booth was sold out. All sorts of stage performances showcased the music, dance, and martial arts of a variety of countries.

The festival was billed as fun for adults and children of all ages. The people of a number of ethnic organisations, and Tottori College, played an active role in providing fascinating exhibits and experiences. The planning committee and organisers exchanged feedback and ideas to create another great festival next year, and promised to do it again with

smiling faces. We're looking forward to sharing in all the power next time, too!

This year's event is scheduled for Sunday, 26 November 2017.



▲On stage (Pungmul nori, a traditional Korean performing art)
▲舞台表演(韩国传统舞蹈:风物农乐)



▲Food booth (Sun-in Taiwanese association)
▲美食摊位(Sun-in 台湾人会)

TIME Festival #28 ~ Looking Through a Different Lens \eye/ \愛/ \であい/ \出会い/ ~

[Time] Sunday, 4 December 2016 [Venue] Torigin Bunka Kaikan (Tottori City)

This vibrant event was brought to you by the exchange and cooperation between representatives of 20 countries and 50 organisations. It featured exhibits and performances including food, cultural experiences, and great mingling.

The orchestrators of the festival began planning and recruiting participants in May. The planning committee, 21 strong, came up with the theme of 'looking through a different lens' on the concept of 'meeting all sorts of people at the festival, and making discoveries by looking at the world from a bunch of different angles'. The committee ran the venue and operations and surveyed the participating entities, making use of displays of the world's proverbs and currency, fittings of ethnic clothing, exhibit booths, a game in which stamps were collected at the booths, and talks from the Overseas Youth Corps, as well as crafts from students enrolled in TPIEF's own Japanese language

courses. A tea-serving manners experience, national flag game, English communication activity, and the hard work of the more than 30 volunteers who helped set up the day before and run it all smoothly, all helped to make this an excellent experience.

This year's festival is scheduled for Sunday, 19 November 2017.



▲Gyoza sales (China)
▲販売餃子(中国)



▲Bossa nova performance (Brazil)
▲巴萨诺瓦的演奏(巴西)

Thank you for your contributions to JOICFP.

Donations of unused postage stamps, foreign currency, and postcards with writing on them, have been forwarded to the independent international cooperation organization JOICFP for activities assisting women in developing countries.

From the JICA Desk

Is your trash someone else's treasure? The Program 'For the World's Smiling Faces'

Your child's soccer ball or baseball bat. Second-hand keyboard harmonica, recorder, or drawing set used at school. They can still be used, but you won't use them. But, somehow, throwing them away...?

JICA's volunteers will take your old things and bring them where they are needed in the world.

Collections are made twice each year, in spring and autumn. The next will be around April of 2017. Check out the list on the JICA web site headed「これが欲(ほ)しい!」, meaning 'things wanted'. If you have anything on this list that you would be willing to part with, please let us know.

<https://www.jica.go.jp/partner/smile/>

世界(せかい)の笑顔(えがお)のために

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