

# Temam Baru



## NOTICE

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### **The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur Moves to New Location In September**

The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur wish to announce to our JFKL members, visitors and public that we will be moving our office from Menara Citibank to new location on 18 Floor, North Point Block B, Mid-Valley City, Medan Syed Putra, 59200 Kuala Lumpur.

We will be operating from our new location effective 2nd week of September 2008. All our activities and facilities remain unchanged.



## The Weekend Japanese Film Show

admission is FREE!!!  
with English subtitles  
at Pawagam Mini P. Ramlee  
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### "Bondage" Saturday, 2 August starting 3pm

Directed by NEGISHI Kichitaro, 1998, 123min, Colour

Takaaki Ise, president of the Ise Corporation, manages restaurants and clubs in Tokyo and also launders money for the Sasaki yakuza gang. Ise actually is Haga and his new identity conceals a dreadful past which he has never revealed to a living soul.

One night, Ise runs into the Ginza bar hostess, Chikako. A few days later Chikako's lover, Okabori, a freelance journalist is shot dead. Police sergeant Sako has his suspicions about Chikako, but she has a water-tight alibi. Investigations show that the gun used in Okabori's murder is the same one used 10 years ago in a yet unsolved murder case of a prominent financier, Ikejiri, whose body was found floating in the Tamagawa River.



### "Musashino High Voltage Towers" Saturday, 21 June starting 3pm

Directed by NAGAO Naoki, 1997, 115min, Colour

Miharu is in the 6th grade of elementary school. His parents are divorcing and he will move to Nagasaki with his mother. This is his last summer living in a town in the suburbs of Tokyo. Most of his friends have gone on vacation and he can't bring himself to tell his remaining friend, Akira, that he will soon be gone.

Remembering his father's passion for electricity and the times he would take him to admire the high voltage towers, Miharu sets off with Akira on a quest to find the source of the power lines that pass by his house.

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**There will be no screening in September due to the month of Ramadan.**



## The 24th Japanese Speech Contest for Open Category

**National Level Open Category**  
Date : 24 (Sun) August 2008  
Time : 1pm  
Venue : The Japan Club of Kuala Lumpur

The long awaited annual Japanese Speech Contest for Open Category National Level is back!

Contestants will compete in 2 classes, namely the **"General Class"** (those who have not stayed more than 90 days in Japan) and **"Special Class"** (no limitation on the length of stay in Japan).

Do not miss the opportunity to see how the contestants compete to qualify the national title!

This event is organized by the Embassy of Japan in Malaysia, the Japan Foundation Kuala Lumpur, the Japanese Chamber of Trade and Industry, Malaysia (JACTIM), the Japan Club of Kuala Lumpur in cooperation with Consulate - General of Japan in Penang, Penang Japanese Language Society, Malaysia Japanese Association, Perak Malaysian - Japanese Friendship Society, Japan Graduates' Association of Malaysia (JAGAM) and; sponsored by Japan Overseas Enterprises Association, Japan Airline International Co. Ltd., Panasonic (M) Sdn Bhd, Kinokuniya Bookstores (M) Sdn Bhd & Kokuyo International (M) Sdn Bhd.



## The Japanese-Language Proficiency Test (JLPT)



# 日本語能力試験

7 December 2008



Application Period: 25 August - 12 September 2008

Closing Date: **12 September 2008**

Application forms are available from 1 August 2008 at any of the below mentioned test centers.

All completed applications must reach the respective test center (where you wish to take the test) by **12 September 2008**.

Test Fees: Level 1 (RM60), Level 2 (RM60), Level 3 (RM50) & Level 4 (RM50)

Application Form: RM5.00 per copy

KUALA LUMPUR TEST CENTRE	PENANG TEST CENTRE	IPOH TEST CENTRE	KOTA KINABALU TEST CENTRE
<b>The Japanese Language Society of Malaysia</b> 42-2B, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Jalan Sultan Ismail 50250 Kuala Lumpur  Tel: (03) 2144 1180 / 2180 Fax: (03) 2144 7180  <a href="http://www.jlsm.org">http://www.jlsm.org</a>	<b>Penang Japanese Language Society</b> 7-H-3, Jalan Gottlieb 10350 Pulau Pinang  Tel/Fax: (04) 226 5908  <a href="http://www.pjls.org">http://www.pjls.org</a>	<b>Perak Malaysian-Japanese Friendship Society</b> 164A & B, Jalan Bendahara 31650 Ipoh, Perak  Tel: (05) 253 7530 Fax: (05) 254 5110	<b>Pusat Penataran Ilmu dan Bahasa Universiti Malaysia Sabah</b> Locked Bag 2073 88999 Kota Kinabalu, Sabah  Tel: (088) 320 000 ext. 5294 Fax: (088) 435 708  Email: oike_ums@yahoo.co.jp





## Japanese Books

**Fiction**

- 『チーム・バチスタの栄光』海堂尊 宝島社 2006年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『無銭優雅』山田詠美 幻冬舎 2007年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『翼』村山由佳 集英社 2002年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『誰か』宮部みゆき 光文社 2005年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『未練』乃南アサ 新潮社 2001年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『ハリー・ポッターとアズバカンの囚人』J.K.ローリング 静山社 2001年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『ハリー・ポッターと炎のゴブレット 上下』J.K.ローリング 静山社 2002年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『ハリー・ポッターと不死鳥の騎士団 上下』J.K.ローリング 静山社 2004年 Library call number: 913.6  
 『ハリー・ポッターと謎のプリンス 上下』J.K.ローリング 静山社 2006年 Library call number: 913.6

**Essay**

- 『再婚生活』山本文緒 角川書店 2007年 Library call number: 914.6  
 『白蛇教異端審問』桐野夏生 文藝春秋 2005年 Library call number: 914.6

**Culture**

- 『日本舞踊ハンドブック』藤田洋 三省堂 2001年 Library call number: 769.1  
 『歌謡曲の時代-歌もよう人もよう』阿久悠 新潮社 2007年 Library call number: 767.8  
 『四季のかな書道』大石三世子 日本習字普及協会 2004年 Library call number: 728.5  
 『暮らしを彩る和の折り紙』中村榮志 2008年 Library call number: 754.9  
 『マンガは今、どうなっておるのか?』夏目房之介 2005年 Library call number: 726.101

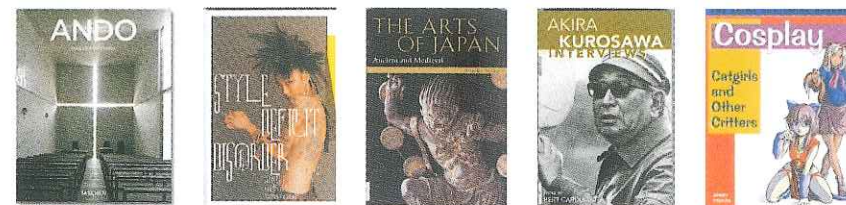
**Cooking**

- 『やっぱり、和食かな。-ラクに覚えて、ラクに作れる、和食のバッチリルール』行正り香 文化出版社 2005年  
 Library call number: 596.21

**Comics**

- 『20世紀少年 1-22』『21世紀少年 上下』浦沢直樹 小学館 2003年 Library call number: 726.1  
 『もやしもん 1-6』石川雅之 講談社 2008年 Library call number: 726.1  
 『働きマン 1-4』安野モヨコ 講談社 2007年 Library call number: 726.1  
 『鋼の錬金術師 1-19』荒川弘 スクウェア・エニックス 2002年 Library call number: 726.1

## English Books

**History**

- 『Warriors Of Art』Yumi Yamaguchi. Kodansha International: Tokyo, 2007  
 Library call number: 709.22 YAM

**Arts**

- 『Light and Water』Tadao Ando. Birkhauser: Basel, 2003  
 Library call number: 720.92 AND  
 『Itsuko Hasegawa: selected and current works』Stephen Dobney. Images Publishing: Mulgrave, 1997  
 Library call number: 720.92 ITS  
 『Akira Kurosawa Interviews』Edited by Bert Cardullo. University Press of Mississippi: Jackson, 2008  
 Library call number: 791.4302330922 AKI  
 『Drama and desire: Japanese paintings from the floating world, 1690-1850』Anne Nishimura Morse.  
 MFA: Boston, 2007  
 Library call number: 769.952 DRA  
 『Fresh Fruits』Mark Sanders. Phaidon Press: London, 2005  
 Library call number: 391.00952 AOK  
 『Cosplay : catgirls and other critters』Gerry Poulo. Stone Big Press: Berkeley, 2006  
 Library call number: 646.47822 POU  
 『Yoshitomo Nara, Hiroshi Sugito: over the rainbow』Yoshitomo Nara. Hatje Cantz: Ostfildern-Ruit,  
 Germany, 2004  
 Library call number: 709.2 NAR  
 『A Japanese menagerie: animal pictures by Kawanabe Kyosai』Rosina Buckland. British Museum  
 Press: London, 2006 Library call number: 759.952 BUC  
 『Tadao Ando: 1941: the Geometry of Human Space (Taschen Basic Architecture)』Masao Furuyama.  
 Taschen: Köln, 2006  
 Library call number: 720.92 FUR  
 『Ukiyo-E』Gian Carlo Calza. Phaidon Press Ltd: London, 2005  
 Library call number: 769.952 CAL  
 『Tabaimo』Tabaimo. Foundation Cartier pour l'art contemporain: Paris, 2006  
 Library call number: 709.52 TAB  
 『Musashi』Eiji Yoshokawa. Kodansha International: Tokyo, 1993  
 Library call number: 895.634 YOS  
 『Agitator: the cinema of Takashi Miike』Tom Mes. FAB Press Publication: England, 2006  
 Library call number: 791.430233092 MES

**Comics**

- 『Naruto』Masashi Kishimoto. New York: Del Rey Published, 2007  
 Library call number: 726.1  
 『Negima』Vol. 8-Vol. 14. Ken Akamatsu. New York: Del Rey Published, 2007  
 Library call number: 726.1



## Report

### IT'S ALL ABOUT JAPAN!!!

by Noor Asyhikin Abd Razak (Water Watch Penang)

Ms. Noor Asyhikin was one of four Malaysian participants for East Asia Future Leader Programme (Youth Exchange), with the theme of "Environment: Symbiosis with Nature, and a Sustainable Society" held 3 to 16 of June 2008 in Japan. Three other participants were Mr. Eugene Cheah Ewe Jin (Kota Kinabalu Wetland Centre), Mr. Sinor Raffiz Musa (Wetlands International, Malaysia) and Ms. Julia Ng Su Chen (TRAFFIC Southeast Asia).

The six and a half hour journey in Malaysia Airlines flight MH088 to Narita didn't even felt that long. I was more excited and extremely happy that night, thinking about the upcoming fourteen days that I am about to face. Being chosen as one of the representative from Malaysia for East Asia Future Leader Programme (Youth Exchange) I surely cannot hid my tremendous happy and thrilled feelings.

300 words cannot elucidate the experience and lessons that I gained during my golden trip in Japan from 3rd to 16th June 2008. From the basic experience of eating original Japanese cuisines to the formal meetings with the leaders in Japan such as Mr Osamu Uno, the Vice Minister for Foreign Affair. There are really no exact words for me to express my gratitude for being in this programme. I truly experienced Japan, their technology, which really stunned me, the nice view of Mount Fuji the highest peak of Japan, the 300km/hour rode in Shinkansen train, the real Japanese home with my home stay family and thousands more indescribable events.



Photo 1: Itadakimas!!  
Having my ala-Japanese dinner with my home stay family

One thing that I am really attracted to share here is about the Japanese and their courtesy-ness. Deep down inside I was really amazed by their behavior, not only on the aspect of their awareness towards the environment (this is of course undeniable since this programme is about environmental education and I was also amazed by what the Japanese had achieved) but also with their daily attitude. The Japanese people are very polite, kind, friendly and they also tried their best to make us feel very comfortable during this programme. Not only the coordinators, the interpreters, the tourist guides, the lecturers and the host families that had to deal with the participants directly but also the strangers I met while I strolled along Tokyo, the waiter/waitress in the restaurants that we had our lunches, the bus drivers, the shopkeepers and in short almost all Japanese people were very very nice. Although we had some difficulties in communication but the Japanese never failed to do their best to ensure that we feel comfortable and secure. I was really touched with their efforts especially in making me and some other Muslims friends to be contented with the foods they served and also in general, their efforts in making the entire participant satisfy and feel like home throughout this programme.

I could write pages about my trip, unfortunately there is a limit. But I would like to express here my heartfelt and sincere thanks to the Japan Foundation, Japan Government, the coordinators, the tourist guides, all NGOs/NPOs that participated, the schools and university that participated, my lovely home stay family, and those whom I didn't mentioned here. Not to forget the other 47 participant from the 15 countries. The 14 days journeys with you guys were one of the most precious moments in my life. Doomo arigatou!!!!!!



Photo 2:  
The friendly kids from class 5-2 7th Hakata Elementary School



Photo 3: Super Friends that I get along the way!



## Wagashi Demonstration and Workshop



For the first time ever, JFKL organized a workshop and demonstration on Wagashi, which was held at Hotel Nikko Kuala Lumpur on 2 July 2008. 3 experts of wagashi, Mr. Yamaguchi Kenji, Mr. Shibutani Hiroshi and Mr. Hirata Teruo were dispatched from Matsue-gashi Association, Shimane Prefecture, Japan for the one-day workshop. Participants were introduced with three basic techniques in wagashi making - bake, boil, and steam - based on three different types of wagashi. About 120 participants had the opportunity to observe and experience the wagashi making process at both morning and evening sessions. His Excellency Ambassador Horie Masahiko made a remark during closing ceremony and everyone was served with wagashi and maccha at the end of each session. Participants really enjoyed the experience to make and taste the authentic wagashi and hope for more wagashi workshops in the future.



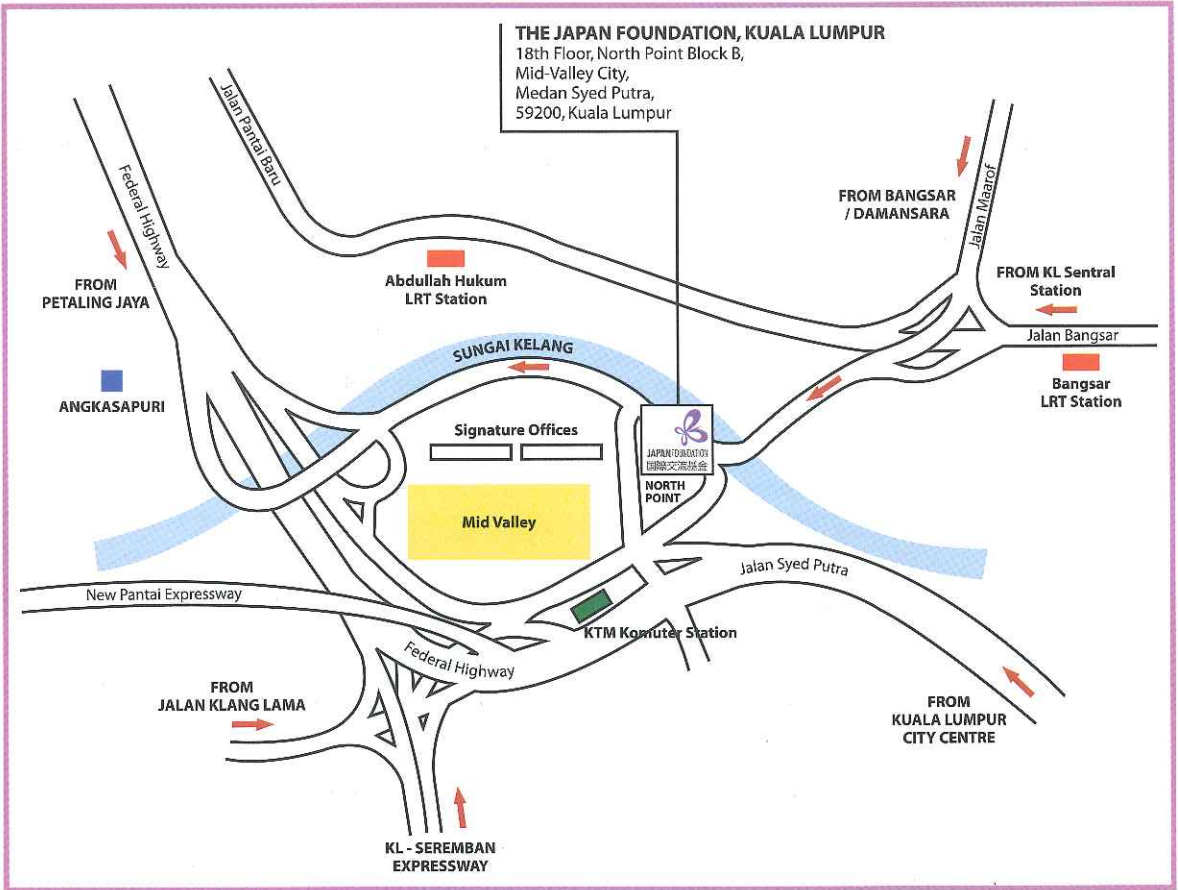
## Japanese Kite Workshop by JFKL at Festival in Kangar

Japan Festival was held for the first time in Kangar, Perlis on 20 July 2008. The event was organized by Consulate General of Japan at Penang and Perlis State Government, in collaboration with JFKL. There were showcases of Japanese culture including traditional songs and Japanese drum performance by a group from Japan. Consul General of Penang, Mr. Hoshi Hideaki led the cultural troupe, which also accompanied by origami, yukata, and ikebana groups. JFKL was invited to hold a workshop on Japanese kite for students and children. About 200 Kangar folks attended the event that was held at Dewan Warisan, Kangar.





## JFKL New Location Map



The new telephone and facsimile number for Cultural Affairs Department is 03-2284 6228 (Tel), 03-2287 5859 (Fax) and Japanese Language Department is 03-2284 7228 (Tel), 03-2287 5869 (Fax)



## Notice from JFKL Library

Please be informed that the library will be closed on the following dates: -

- 2 August - last day for borrowing library materials
- 5 - 16 August - members are allowed for reading, viewing and listening only
- 18 - 22 August - books must be returned through the "Book Drop Box"
- 18 August - 6 October - CLOSED

\*\*\* Membership renewal must be done before 16 August or as earlier as possible before the library close

The Library will re-open on **7 OCTOBER (Tuesday) 2008**.

*(Sorry for inconvenience caused. Please call the JFKL Librarian for any assistance)*



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