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The Japan-America Society of Central Ohio (JASCO) is a private, not-for-profit membership association of Americans and Japanese who desire to bring the Japanese and American communities together, promote goodwill through the sharing of knowledge about Japan, and provide a forum for informed discussion regarding the Japan-U.S. relationship. The Japan-America Society of Central Ohio is one of 39 Japan-America Societies located throughout the United States and is a member of the National Association of Japan-America Societies.

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2011 Japanese Language Speech Contest Program

Saturday, March 5, 2011

Presented by:

JASCO & JSO at The
Ohio State University

Hagerty Hall RM 180

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The Japanese
Student Organization
オハイオ日本文化会

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Since 1999, the Japan-America Society of Central Ohio's Japanese Language Speech Contest, co-sponsored with the Institute for Japanese Studies at The Ohio State University, has been an annual event designed to encourage Ohio's high school and university students to experience the power of foreign language communication.

This year The Japanese Student Organization at The Ohio State University has decided to help Japan-America Society of Central Ohio in organizing this annual event.

It is our belief that through this competition, students not only improve their skills and understanding of the Japanese language, but also strengthen the bond of friendship between the United States and Japan through their efforts.

Special Thanks

Preliminary Round Screeners

We would like to thank the following individuals who generously volunteered their time to screen all submitted entries during the preliminary round and determine the finalists for today's event:

Kana Abe Kinuko Hogan
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Julika Sumner

Japanese Language Instructors

We would like to thank the following Japanese language instructors in Ohio universities and high schools for encouraging their students' participation in this year's Japanese Language Speech Contest.

University Level

Ai Terada, The Ohio State University
Hiroaki Kawamura, University of Findlay
Yuko Kuwai, The Ohio State University
Noriko Fujioka-Ito, University of Cincinnati
Naoki Fuse, The Ohio State University
Mari Iwai, Kenyon College
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High School Level

John Rockelman, Dublin Scioto High School, Dublin
Ayako Deguchi, Ohio University PSEO
Chikako Pierson, Sycamore



Japanese Student Organization presents 6th Annual Spring Festival- April 24, 2011 10-6pm in The Ohio Union, OSU. Hope to see you all there!

Sponsors

It is with sincere gratitude that we thank the following organizations for sponsoring the JASCO Japanese Language Speech Contest.

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Consulate General of Japan in Detroit

The Honorable Kuninori Matsuda, Consul General

Ms. Anita Savio

Ms. Midori Takeuchi

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit serves both Michigan and Ohio, providing support services to the approximately 16,000 Japanese nationals residing in these two states, while also promoting increased understanding of Japanese culture and people to United States' citizens.



Comprised of more than 60 companies, the Central Ohio Japanese Association of Commerce (COJAC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to bridging the gap between Japanese and American cultures by building business cooperation, promoting mutual friendship and exchanging information among Japanese businesses and the Central Ohio community.



Established in 1972 as a special legal entity to undertake international cultural exchange, The Japan Foundation is today an independent administrative institution that promotes the exchange of cultural information, the arts, Japanese language and studies, and intellectual knowledge between Japan and the global community.

Special Thanks to Yoshi's Japanese Restaurant, 5776 Frantz Rd Dublin OH 43016



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**The Institute for
Japanese Studies
at The Ohio State
University**

Today's Schedule

Emcees:	Adam Jimenez & Julika Sumner
9:30 am - 9:55 am	Participant Check-In: University Students
10:00 am - 10:15 am	Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introduction of Judges and Explanation of Contest Procedures
10:15 am - 12:00 pm	Speech Presentations by University Finalists
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 1:25 pm	Participant Check-In: High School Students
1:30 pm - 1:45 pm	Welcome, Opening Remarks, Introduction of Judges and Explanation of Contest Procedures
1:45 pm - 2:30 pm	Speech Presentations by High School Finalists
2:30 pm - 2:45 pm	Break to Tabulate Scores
2:45 pm	Awards Presentation and Final Comments (Schedule subject to change)

Judges

Mr. Hiroshi Fukuda, Nissin Travel Services, Inc. (COJAC)

Ms. Noriko Mills, Honda R & D Americas, Inc. (JASCO)

Dr. Noriko Reider, Miami University

Ms. Midori Takeuchi, Consulate General of Japan in Detroit

University Finalists

- **Yeonkyung Baik**
University of Cincinnati
“Japanese Proverbs and Korean Proverbs”
日本と韓国のことわざ
- **Brian Fox**
The University of Findlay
“Open the Door and Walk Through”
ドアを開けて入ろう
- **William Kentris**
The Ohio State University
“No Time”
時間はありません
- **Rachel Levy**
University of Cincinnati
“I Will Always Love You”
いつも愛す
- **Junying (Karen) Mao**
The Ohio State University
“The Journey of Learning”
学習の旅程
- **Kim Miller**
The Ohio State University
“Life’s Most Important Thing”
人生の一番大事なこと
- **Yereem Park**
Kenyon College
“Discrepancies Between Male and Female Speech”
男性語と女性語
- **Ryan Shea**
University of Cincinnati
“My Life’s Meaning and Japanese”
ぼくの人生の意味と日本語
- **Adam Sladek**
Kent State University
“Giri”
義理
- **Yiying Yin**
Xavier University
“Cherry Blossom”
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Prize Patrons

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Japanese Arts & Cultural Initiative (P&I Award)
Tensuke Market
Yoshi’s Japanese Restaurant

High School Finalists

- **Grant Coffman**
Dublin Coffman H.S.
“Pokemon”
ポケモン
- **Ming Lee**
Sycamore High School
“In Rome, Do What the Romans Do”
郷に入れば郷に従え
- **Daniel Bell-Moran**
Athens High School
“Studying Abroad”
留学したいと思います
- **Kendall Harris**
Dublin Coffman H.S.
“Japanese Food”
日本の食べ物
- **Youngmin Lee**
Dublin Coffman H.S.
“A Child’s Life”
子供の生活
- **Vaasavi Unnava**
Dublin Coffman H.S.
“Music and the World”
音楽と世界
- **Jireh Kang**
Sycamore High School
“Making Snap Decisions”
即断即決
- **Kevin Li**
Dublin Scioto H.S.
“Days of Studying Japanese”
日本語を勉強する日々
- **Alan Kissinger**
Sycamore High School
“My Recipe for Happiness”
幸せのレシピ
- **Siddharth Machiraju**
Dublin Scioto H.S.
“Japanese in My Life”
私の生活の中の日本語

Prizes

All finalists receive a Japan-America Society of Central Ohio t-shirt and snacks from Tensuke Market.

First Place

University Level: Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$200
High School Level: Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$200

Second Place

University Level: Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$150
High School Level: Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$150

Third Place

University Level: Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$100
High School Level: Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$100

Pronunciation & Intonation Award

Barnes & Noble Gift Card for \$50