

MIA *Calendar*

2009 April ~ June

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Professional Consultation for Foreigners: Free of Charge

April 25 (Sat) 16:00 - 18:30 Swing 10F

(JR Chuo Line Musashi-sakai Station North Exit - 1 Min Walk)

No appointment needed. Privacy ensured.

English, Chinese, Thai, Korean, Russian, Ukrainian, Filipino, Spanish, Indonesian, German, Arabic, Tamil, Hindi, Portuguese. These are the languages you can use at MIA Consultation sessions. Even if you cannot speak Japanese, MIA volunteers will interpret for you.

Lawyers, Administrative Scribners, Social Insurance Labor Consultants, Labor Consultants, Psychiatrists, and Psychologists are the specialists you can meet with at MIA Consultation sessions.

“I want to bring my daughter to Japan and live together.” “I haven’t got my salaries paid.” “I want to establish a company with my friends.” “I got injured while I was working but don’t have money to go to hospital.” “The landlord told me to leave the apartment house.” “I’m troubled by raising children.” “I’m tired but can’t sleep well at night.” “My husband tells me to divorce and go back to my home country.” etc.

Anyone can have some worries. However, if you are in a different culture and, facing troubles alone, it could put you in harder situation.

At the Consultation session, foreigners can have a talk with the specialists who are MIA members for legal/medical issues, with assistance of language volunteers (interpreters).

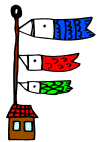
Don’t believe rumors and make mistakes, but please feel free to visit the consultation.



Specialists will listen to your story.
(This is a picture from interpretation training sessions.
Your privacy is secured in actual consultation scenes.)

Volunteers giving out materials at the door





MIA Information

tel.0422-36-4511 fax.0422-36-4513 <http://www.mia.gr.jp/>

Limited Use & Security of Privacy Information Private information acquired from your application to MIA programs will only be used for the purposes of registration in the programs, correspondence of specific program activities and basic information supplied to the instructors for necessary preparation. MIA will not use such private information for the purposes other than the above nor supply such information to the third party of any sort.

Month	Date/Venue	Contents
April	APR 1 - MAY 21 MIA Conference Room	Application for Korean Language Exchange Class: Apply by sending in a reply paid card to MIA “Korean Language Exchange Class” by MAY 21 (Thu) with information on your address, name, age, profession and phone number. Class is scheduled for every Saturday 10:00-12:00, MAY 30 - JUL 18. Let’s enjoy learning Korean language from Ms. Reiko Yamazaki (born in Korea) and communicate with each other. Aimed at beginners. Explanation in Japanese. ¥4000 (MIA Member ¥3000). For 18 years old or up. Capacity: 20 people (Lottery system will be used if application exceeds the quota. Class may be cancelled if the number of application is less than 10.)
	25 (Sat)16:00 18:30 Swing 10F	Professional Consultation for Foreigners: Free of Charge Please see p. 1
May	9 (Sat) 14:00 16:30 MIA Conference Room	Series “Know the World! Let’s Communicate with People of the World”: Sudan Mr. Mohameddo Abdelalah will talk about Sudan, where Arabic and African cultures are mixed together. His hobby is cooking. He exhibited the Kebab food stall at MIA Musashino International Exchange Festival last year, attracting so many visitors. No reservation needed. Free of charge. 
	30 (Sat) 10:00-13:30 15:00-18:30 Swing 11F	MIA Youth Forum for International Understanding: Young generation will discuss what they want to “know”, “do”, and “challenge.” Topics like “children,” “laughter,” etc. will be covered as themes. The youth here refers to students or young members of society who are interested in the Forum contents. Fee: ¥1000 (AM only or PM only: ¥500) Capacity: 30 people per section. Apply to MIA by MAY 26 (Tue) via phone or MIA Website.
June	6 (Sat) 10:00 13:00 Civic Hall Cooking Room	Magnolia-san’s Filipino Home Cooking Class: Let’s communicate with Ms. Magnolia Uchida while enjoying cooking Chicken adobo, salad, steamed pudding, etc. Capacity: 18 people (in order of application) Fee: ¥1500 (MIA Member ¥1000) including materials. Apply by phone or via MIA Website by JUN 4 (Thu). The fee shall be fully collected in case of cancellation on the day or the day before. 
	6 (Sat) 14:00 17:00 Civic Hall Cooking Room	Kids Play Club for International Understanding: <Cooking Course> Cooking of Korean NORIMAKI and ODEN with Reiko-san! : Let’s cook with Ms. Reiko Yamazaki (born in Korea.) Capacity: 20 people (Pair of an adult & a child from 5 year old up to Elementary School 6th grade) Fee:¥1500 (MIA Member ¥1000) Additional Fee ¥500/child (MIA Member ¥500/child) Apply by 2 days before the event date via phone or MIA Website with information on children’s name, sex, age, address, phone number, with the parent’s name, to MIA Kids Play Club Cooking Course. The fee shall be fully collected in case of cancellation on the day or the day before. 
	20 (Sat) 14:00 16:30 MIA Conference Room	Series “Know the World! Let’s Communicate with People of the World”: Mexico Mr. Cesar Ibarra will talk about Mexican festival “Day of the Dead, ” Mango <i>Sushi</i> , and friendship/experience with the Japanese people. He is a <i>Ryugakusei</i> studying food distribution systems at a Graduate school. Reservation not required. Free of charge. 

Notice for Schooling Guidance

JUL 12 (Sun) 13:00 ~ 16:30 (Tentative Schedule) Swing 11F

Explanations about going to the senior high school will be given to children who want to go to Japanese senior high schools and their (foreign) parents. Individual consultations will be available. Interpreters for English, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, and Filipino languages.

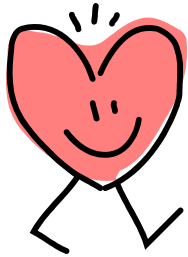
Professional Consultation for Foreigners

At MIA, you can consult with lawyers, psychiatrists and other specialists for legal and mental health issues. Free of charge. Interpreter service available. Privacy ensured.

Date: APR 25 (Sat), 16 : 00-18 : 30 No reservation required. Place: Swing 10F See P1.

Date: MAY 23 (Sat), JUN 27(Sat), JUL 25 (Sat) 13 : 00-16 : 00

Please make a reservation. : 0422-56-2922 Place: MIA



Foreign Language Information

0422-56-2922

Information for Daily Life

Guidance for Specialist Consultation

* Please note Chinese service schedule has been changed.



Language	Date	Language	Date
Japanese · English Spanish	9:00-17:00 (Tue) - (Sat) Every Week	Chinese	10:00-16:00 (Wed) (Fri)& (Sat) Every Week 14:00-16:00 Fourth (Thu) Every Month
Russian	14:00-16:00 First (Thu) Every Month	Norwegian	14:00-16:00 Second (Thu) Every Month
German	14:00-16:00 Third (Tue) Every Month	Tamil · Hindi	14:00-16:00 Fourth (Fri) Every Month

MIA Japanese Courses

Half rate fee is applied to elementary/junior high school students.

Morning course is attended by child care volunteers.

Both adults and children can enjoy learning at their own level.



Course Title	Date/Time	Schedule/Capacity/Fee
(1) Parent/Child Participation ! Morning Japanese Course	Every FRI 10:00-12:00	MAY 15 JUL 17, 10 times, 20 people, ¥5,000 * Child Care Service Available (Registration Fee ¥500)
(2) Wednesday Afternoon Japanese Course	Every WED 16:00-18:00	MAY 13 JUL 15, 10 times, 20 people, ¥5,000
(3) Evening Japanese Course	Every THU 19:00-21:00	MAY 14 JUL 16, 10 times, 30 people, ¥5,000
(4) Private Lesson Based Japanese Course	3 times of Class Room Activities (4/18, 6/6, 7/4 (Sat) 13:00 15:00) & 7 times of One on One Activity of your choice. 10 times total, 10 people, ¥5000	

- If you want to attend the course, please come to MIA Office. Attendants of (1)(2)(3) can have private lessons once a week.
- Please apply by filling out the form and make necessary payments. Application must be made in person.

▶Musashino City Event◀

Flood Drill



We have a lot of rain in June and July (*Tsuyu*) in Japan. We also have more torrential rain in summer and typhoons in fall these days than before. Let's

prepare not only for earthquakes but also for floods. **[Regular Cautions]** Listen to TV/Radio weather forecast carefully. Fix shutters/rain gutters if they are broken. Clean up road ditches/inlets to remove fallen leaves/trash to avoid drain block up. **[Cautions in case of Torrential Rain]** Try not to use the bath/shower. Evacuate quickly from semi-basement/basement floors, for doors or electricity may become out of order because of flood.

Stay away from the river/bridge. If the manhole lid is not securely placed, don't approach but notify the city office because it is dangerous to leave it.

Let's join the **Flood Drill** by the City Office !
MAY 23 (Sat) AM (Time to be decided)
Musashino Shimin Park (Next to the City Office) There will be a lecture on measures for flood prevention at home. Admission free. No reservation needed. Inquiries: Disaster Prevention Section 0422-60-1821

0123 Kichijoji & 0123 Harappa [Age Group Hiroba]

Groups of parents who have children of the same age. Let's exchange information and enjoy "Oyako Asobi" (parent & child play). Admission free. **[0-year-old Hiroba]** 10th, 20th, & 30th every month. For 0-year-old children and their parents who live in Musashino-shi. Application not required. **[1-year-old Hiroba]** 1st, 11th, & 21st every month. For 1-year-old children and their parents who live in Musashino-shi. Application not required. **[2-&3-year-old Hiroba]** Once a month or serial course. For 2- to 3-year-old children and their parents who live in Musashino-shi. (Once registered, 3-year-olds can participate till March after they turn 4 years old.) Application required. For details, confirm in "Musashino" or 0123 Website.

0123 Kichijoji: 2-29-12,
Kichijoji-higashicho, Musashino-shi

0422-20-3210

<http://www1.parkcity.ne.jp/m0123hap/kichijoji/index.html>
0123 Harappa: 1-3-24 Yahata-cho,
Musashino-shi, 0422-56-3210
<http://www1.parkcity.ne.jp/m0123hap/harappa/index.html>

Saturday Afternoon Movies

APR 25 (Sat): LaDame Aux Camelias

MAY 23 (Sat): The Iron Horse

JUN 27 (Sat): Le Pere Goriot

All from 14:30, at Chuo Library 3F Shichokaku Hall. Aimed at Junior High School students and up. Free of charge. No reservation needed.

Musashino Shiritsu Chuo Library
4-8-3, Kichijoji-kitamachi, Musashino-shi
0422-51-5145

Art Musium

World of Masayuki Yabuuchi: Animal Paint Prodigy

APR 4 (Sat) - MAY 24 (Sun) Admission ¥100
Musashino Shiritsu Kichijoji Art Musium
FF Bldg 7F, 1-8-16 Kichijoji-honcho,
Musashino-shi 0422-22-0385

▶Information from Other Organizations etc◀ "Viva la vida!!"



I have been in Japan for 18 years. Through varieties of experiences, I've learned importance of treasuring life at any time. Let's get together for a lecture (Japanese) and song/piano for *HYAKUNIN ISSHU*.

MAY 30 (Sat) 14:00-16:00, Mori-no Hall Hashimoto Tamokuteki-shitsu. Admission ¥1000 Lecturer: Marcela Lamadrid de Matsumura (Spanish Language Lecturer)
Cast: Mie Nakane (Musician), *HYAKUNINN ISSHU* Band Inquiries: 0422-37-1439 or info@bilingualeduc.jp (Japanese/English/Spanish)

The 3rd Kyoryokutai Festival by JICA Volunteer Participants

Activity reports and panel talks by JICA volunteers who participated in worldwide activities. Corners for ethnic craft item sale, dance/music stages, and food/drink from various countries. APR 25 (Sat) 11:00-17:00, APR 26 (Sun) 10:00-17:00, "JICA Chikyu Hiroba". 4-2-24 Hiroo, Shibuya-ku. Admission free. No reservation needed. Inquiries: Japan Overseas Cooperative Association. 03-3406-9151

▶MIA Anti-Disaster News◀ Do You Have Anti-Disaster/Evacuation Items? Items for Fire Extinction




Do you have a fire extinguisher at home? There are various kinds in size and purposes, but the sample photo here is only big as a hair spray and light in weight. It is useful for

initial fire extinction, like fire on TEMPURA pan, paper in a dust box, cushions or curtains, etc. Anti-disaster/evacuation items like fire extinguishers are sold at home centers, Musashino Shimin Bosai Kyokai (Musashino City Hall West Wing 1F) and so on. They are exhibited at MIA, too. Please come and check.

▶Musashino Family Information◀

Notice for Foreign Students Registered in "RYUGAKUSEI Musashino Family Program"

Introductory Meeting with Families

Meeting for foreign students who have applied for the program, to introduce families. There are 2 dates. Notice on which date you need to attend will be sent to you by e-mail or by  post in April.

1st Date: MAY 16 (Sat) ,2nd Date: MAY 23 (Sat)

Orientation for Foreign Students: 13:30-14:00
Matching: 14:15-16:30. Swing 11F

Musashino Family Cultural Exchange

Families and *Ryugakusei* communicate with each other by introducing their cultures. Participation by families only or *Ryugakusei* only is also welcome.

JUL 11 (Sat) 14:00-16:30 Swing 11F
Apply to MIA via email or phone by JUL 9 (Thu).

- Questionnaires -

Will you cooperate with questionnaires for the joint survey by the University of Electro-Communications and Tokyo University of Agriculture & Technology on ICT (Information Communication Technology) environment of foreigners)? They will give you a set of ball-point pen & technical pencil, or UDON noodles in return. If you can cooperate, let MIA staff know when you visit MIA Office.

<Information Corner> Every (Wed) 13:00-15:00
MIA Lounge Tel. 0422-56-2922
Don't hesitate to ask questions you come up with in your daily life.

FM Radio Program <News from MIA>
Musashino FM (78.2MHZ)
10:30-10:35, 17:45-17:50
(Mon) Japanese (Tue) English
(Wed) Korean (Thu) Chinese (Fri) English
*Translation/recording staff of each language wanted!
(Contents)
APR 6 ~ APR 17:
[Specialist Consultation for Foreigners: Free of Charge]
APR 20 ~ MAY 1:
[Sport Teams in the Community] 
*Contents details are yet to be decided for MAY and after. Look forward to useful information !

FM Radio Program <MIA Plaza>
Musashino FM (78.2MHZ)
4th Saturday every month 18:00-18:30
Interviews in Japanese are broadcast on Live !

Information to be posted in MIA Calendars
Registered MIA Members may use this facility. Please come to MIA and write the message. No information registration via phone.

Information related to political, religious

MIA Data

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MIA Members: 734

MIA Foreign Members: 1,029 (67 countries)