"Performance Camps in Hiroshima" for Multilingual, Cross-Cultural Exchange Hiroshima PCAMP Application Requirements



Recruitment Period: May 1 (Sunday) – June 30, 2022 (Thursday)

Implementation: August 4 (Thursday) – August 7, 2022 (Sunday)

Organizer: The Japan Forum (TJF)

Co-organizer: NPO Corporation Akitakata International Communication Association

(AICA)

Aiming to foster individuality, diversity, and creativity, TJF has organized "Performance Camps" for multilingual, cross-cultural exchange for high school students who come from various language and cultural backgrounds and who want to exchange with each other. To encourage the participants to experience and respect diversity through exchange activities, the Performance Camps emphasize the following points:

- 1. Encourage the participants to express themselves through words and physical expression
- 2. Encourage the participants to inspire creativity in one another and respect each other's individuality
- 3. Encourage the participants to collaborate and communicate across background differences

A community-based exchange program launched in 2022 aims to leverage the local and community networks and resources to promote multicultural symbiosis in various regions of Japan. Through cooperation with various communities in Hiroshima for the first time, TJF will hold Performance Camps in Hiroshima ("Hiroshima PCAMP") for high school students in the prefecture in 2022. A variety of art activities and performances will be carried out to promote exchange and foster diversity, collaboration, and creativity in the region.

"Performance Camps in Hiroshima" for Multilingual, Cross-Cultural Exchange Hiroshima PCAMP Program

August 4 (Thursday) The First Day

12:30 Meet at Yoshidaguchi Station on the JR West Geibi Line

*Please go there after lunch.

*A bus has been arranged for transportation between the station and the venue.

Afternoon Icebreaker

After dinner Recreational activities

August 5 (Friday) The Second Day

All day Exchange & creative activities

After dinner Recreational activities or self-directed practice

August 6 (Saturday) The Third Day

Morning Creative activities

Afternoon Rehearsal for the presentation

After dinner Self-directed practice

August 7 (Sunday) The Fourth Day (Last Day)

Morning Presentation

*Family members of the participants, teachers and locals will be invited to attend the presentation.

Program review and celebration luncheon

14:00 Departure from Yoshidaguchi Station

*A bus has been arranged for transportation between the venue and the station.

*The Program may be adjusted to suit new circumstances.



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Implementation Outline

- 1. Organizer: The Japan Forum (TJF)
- **2. Co-organizer:** Akitakata International Communication Association (AICA)
- **3. Supporters:** Akitakata City, Akitakata City Board of Education, Hiroshima Prefecture Board of Education
- **4. Cooperators:** Kodomono Hiroba Yaccharu (Higashi Hiroshima City), Higashihiroshima Foundation for Affairs of Culture and Education, Himawari21 (Kure City), BUILD (Fukuyama City), World Kids Network (Kure City)
- 5. Date: August 4 (Thursday) August 7 (Sunday), 2022
- **6. Place:** Akitakata Tabunka Kyousei Center Kirari (Akitakata City, Hiroshima Prefecture)

7. Activities (Plan)

TJF encourages participants to respect one another's language, culture, experience and personality and to express themselves freely and positively. For this purpose, artists will act as facilitators of the following activities and the operation team will keep them company throughout the process.

- As an icebreaker, the Theater Game will help the participants become familiar with one another, smoothen communication, and foster friendship.
- The participants will share their personal experiences and feelings and learn about stage plays and dancing.
- The participants will be able to communicate, exchange viewpoints, and collaborate with one another in pairs, groups, and teams to create and present works of art.

8. Facilitators

Toshihiko Kashiwagi (performer, stage actor)

Maki Tabata (choreographer, dancer)

Asuka Morinaga (stage actress, teaching artist)

*College students are expected to join as supporters.

9. Participants

Twenty-five to thirty high school students with various language and cultural backgrounds living or studying in Hiroshima. *If the number of applicants exceeds the available capacity (30), first-time participants will take priority; lots will be drawn to determine the participants.

10. Application Requirements

All high school students (including students who are about to enter high school) who meet the following four requirements:

- 1. Students living in Hiroshima or studying in high schools (full-time, part-time, and correspondence, kōtō-senmon-gakkō), foreign schools, free schools, and academic support classrooms in the prefecture.
- 2. Aged 15–19 years old as of August 4, 2022
- 3. Able to participate in all of the activities from August 4 to 7
- 4. Able to communicate in simple Japanese (having studied Japanese for about one year)

*We welcome participants with multilingual and multicultural backgrounds, participants who wish to communicate with people with multilingual and multicultural backgrounds, and participants who are interested in stage plays, dancing, and other forms of art and so on.

11. Fees

- (1) Free
- *TJF will provide accommodation and food during the camp free of charge (within the venue).
- *Most participants will share rooms instead of living in single rooms.
- (2) TJF will subsidize part of the transportation expenses

for participants whose transportation fees from home to the Camp venue, KIRARI, Akitakata City, exceed JPY 5,000. Those participants will pay a maximum transportation fee of JPY 5,000. The remaining sum will be paid by TJF according to the receipts and transportation expenses subsidy application forms (distributed only to participants) submitted by those participants. *TJF will pay all the transportation fees for participants whose families are receiving living allowances.

The subsidy is applicable to participants who meet the following requirements:

- The round-trip transportation fee for the participant himself/herself.
- The transportation fee from home to the venue via public transit (tram and bus) instead of a taxi or private car, etc.
- The ticket dates should be August 4, 2022 for the outbound journey and August 7, 2022 for the return journey.
- Limited to the least expensive means of transportation.

12. Please apply before June 30 (Thursday)

Click the URL below to apply:

https://num.to/1202-4865-0662



13. Determination of Participants and Notification Dates

July 8 (Friday): The results of the lots drawing will be sent to the email given in the application form ((1) Pass (2) Waitlist (3) Fail).

July 11 (Monday): Accepted applicants should contact TJF before this date if they cannot participate in the program.

July 13 (Wednesday): Candidates will be notified of acceptance before this date.

July 18 (Monday): Instructions will be sent to the participants before this date.

July 28 (Thursday): Please send copies of the Agreement* and health insurance certificate to TJF before this date. *The Agreement and Instructions will be sent together.

14. COVID-19 Prevention and Control Measures

- Participants should start daily body temperature checks one week before the program and nucleic acid testing 2–3 days before departure (TJF will provide the testing kits).*
- Participants should check their body temperature three times a day during the PCAMP.
- Alcohol disinfectants will be provided at the venue.
- The venue will be kept well-ventilated.
- Participants should wear a mask during the PCAMP and refrain from talking during meals.
- *If the result of the antigen test antibody test is positive, the participant concerned should not participate in the program. For safety reasons, even if the test result is negative, the participant concerned should not participate in the program if he/she has such symptoms as a fever on the day before the starting date of the program.
- *Further details will be provided after the participants are determined.