

FIA Pocket June & July

Announcements from the FIA ~Part 1~

Calling for Volunteers for the 2011 Fukui International Festival! Sunday, October 23rd

Our annual festival to bring together people and cultures from all over the world!
Every year the festival is supported and staffed by volunteers, and we want you to be one of them.

We are currently recruiting two types of volunteers, listed below,
each with their own duties and eligibility requirements.

For details as well as applications, please visit our website at: <http://www.f-i-a.or.jp/>

	Volunteers Needed/Duties		Application Deadline
1	Event Team	Setting up for the festival and event management	Thursday, July 14 th
2	Day-of Volunteers	Serve as support staff on the day of the event	Thursday, September 29 th

*Foreign nationals applying for types 1 are required to have a basic command of everyday Japanese.

*Please inquire about deadlines and dates in advance, as they are subject to change.



Also looking for participants willing to sing songs in their native language, perform folk dances, play folk instruments from their country, and more!

Inquiries/Applications: Megumi KISHIDA, FIA

Study Japanese!

The FIA offers Japanese classes and private lessons for foreigners studying the language.
Ask us for details!

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いっしょに
がんばろう



Inquiries: Shinobu SHIMADA, FIA

Our Coffee Corner Is Now Open Mondays

The Consultation and Information Corner, however, will remain closed on Mondays, excepting the 2nd Monday of every month.

*Come relax at
our café!*



Inquiries: Maki KAWAI, FIA

Home Visit for International Students Now Looking for Participants!

The best way to experience Japanese culture and life is by spending time with an actual Japanese family!
Now is your chance to experience the real Japan by arranging to visit the home of a family in Fukui Prefecture.
We look forward to your participation in this one-day home visit program!

Home Visit Time/Date: Saturday, July 9th 9:45~ (Registration from 9:30)

Meeting Place: Fukui International Activities Plaza 2F, Conference Room 1

Open To: International students enrolled in higher education institutions in Fukui, and their families

Requirements: Participants must be willing to fill out two questionnaires, once upon completing their visit and again several days later by mail

Limit: 20 participants

Deadline: Sunday, June 26th (Applications will close when all spaces are filled)

Home Visit Schedule

9:30 Registration

9:45 Orientation

10:15 Ceremony of Meeting Families

Home visit begins (Transport to homes)

* Participants will return home on their own after their visit.

Please consult with your host family as to what would be an appropriate time to end your visit.



For applications as well as details, please visit the FIA's home page at <http://www.f-i-a.or.jp/en/>

Inquiries/Applications: Yuki YOSHIDA, FIA



Try Yukata!

~Yokokan Garden Stroll and Fukui Phoenix Festival~

Try wearing a *yukata*, one of Japan's traditional forms of summer clothing,
and go for a stroll in the famous Yokokan Garden and visit Fukui Phoenix Festival!★

* Yukata worn through this event can be used until 8 P.M.

When: Saturday, August 6th 14:00~

Meeting Place: Japanese-style Room/Tea Ceremony Room, FIA 3F

Cost: 500 yen (pay at the registration desk on the day of the event)

Open to: Foreign residents of Fukui Prefecture, men and women (must be 150 cm in height or taller)

Limit: 15 participants

What to Wear: Sandals, flip-flops, or other open-toed shoes

Application Deadline: Sunday, July 31st (or when all spaces are filled)

For scheduling and application information, please visit the FIA's home page at <http://www.f-i-a.or.jp/en/>



Inquiries/Applications: Yuki YOSHIDA, FIA



Ever have trouble adjusting to your life in Japan? Then come for free counseling from the experts at both FIA locations, in Fukui City and Tsuruga City!

Fukui City

Free Administrative Consultation for Foreign Residents on Immigration and Residency Matters

When: Saturday, June 18th, 13:00-16:00

Where: Language Learning Room 1, 2nd Floor FIA

Free Legal Consultation for Foreign Residents

When: Saturday, July 16th, 13:00-16:00

Where: Language Learning Room 1, 2nd Floor FIA

Applications: Kiyoko TAKASHIMA, FIA

Tsuruga City

Free Legal Consultation for Foreign Residents

When: As needed (6 times a year)

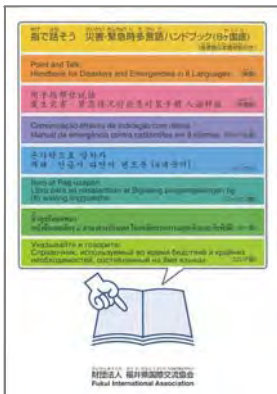
Where: Office, 2nd Floor FIA Reinan Center

Applications: Emiko WATANABE, FIA Reinan Center



★This service is free. Reservations are, however, required.

★Translation services are available in English, Chinese, and Portuguese. Reservations are required.



Preparing Yourself for Accidents and Emergencies

~Multilingual Disaster and Emergency Handbook Available~

The FIA has a disaster Q&A book covering all potential questions in the event of an emergency in English, Chinese, Portuguese, Korean, Pilipino, Thai, and Russian. Each has an accompanying Japanese translation, allowing its users to communicate across languages by pointing to the corresponding question and answer. Those interested are encouraged to visit the FIA Plaza or FIA Reinan Center.

Inquiries: FIA

Event and Daily Life Information ~Part 1~

Free Counseling ~Fukui City~

Free counseling with regards to residency status and changes thereto, renewals, visas, study abroad, employment, marriage, bringing your family to Japan, naturalization, nationality, and family registry.

(Provided by the Association for Fukui Administrative Scriveners)

When: Friday, July 22nd, 13:00-16:00

Where: Citizens' Counseling Room, Fukui City Hall 1F

【Access】 Approximately 12 minute walk from JR Fukui Station

Interpretation: Chinese, English, Portuguese (reservations required)

Inquiries: Fukui City Citizen's Collaboration and International Affairs Division

Tel 0776-20-5300





For Foreign Women

For FREE

Counseling for DV Victims in Your Native Language

Counseling is now being offered by women for women suffering from domestic violence. No Japanese language ability is necessary, and confidentiality will be strictly observed.

DV is defined as verbal and/or physical abuse, deprivation of livelihood, obstruction of association with anyone aside from the spouse, and forcing childbearing against your wishes.



Counseling Location and Schedule for June & July

○Fukui International Activities Plaza(FIA) (3-1-1 Hōei, Fukui City) Reception: 11:30-17:30

Counseling available on Tuesdays, the 3rd Saturday of the month, and Sundays (except the 3rd Sunday of the month)

Languages: English, Chinese, Portuguese

Tel (FREE) : 0120-288-291

[Portuguese, English]

0120-788-291

[Chinese, English]

○Seikatsu Gakushūkan (You-I Fukui) Counseling Room (14-1 Shimorokujō-chō, Fukui City)

Reception: 9:30-16:45

Counseling available on Wednesdays and Thursdays

Language: English Tel: 0776-41-7112

★Please inquire in advance about the availability of other languages.

A PORTION OF THE FUKUI PREFECTURE TRAFFIC LAWS HAS BEEN REVISED

Effective June 1, 2011

Cell Phone Use While Riding a Bike

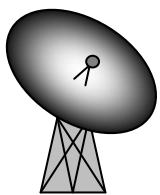
Use of cell phones or other handheld wireless devices, as well as audio-visual devices, while riding a bike is strictly prohibited.



Earphone Use

Use of earphones or car stereos at a volume that interferes with a driver's ability to hear their surroundings while operating a motor vehicle is strictly prohibited.

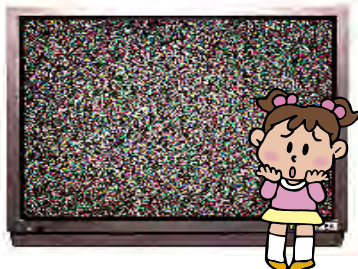
Penalty:
Fine of up to
¥50,000



Are You Prepared for the Transition to Digital TV?

~Analog Transmission Ends July 24th~

TVs that have not been equipped with a digital receiver will no longer receive signals after the transition.



In order to view terrestrial digital television broadcasting, prepare your home by doing any of the following:

1. Install a UHF antenna in your home and purchase a digital TV
2. Install a UHF antenna in your home, purchase a digital tuner, and affix it to your existing analog TV
3. Subscribe to your local cable TV service

Dumping your TV is illegal. Beware of fraudulent sales.

Inquires: Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications

DTV Call Center Tel 0570-07-0101

(Mon.-Fri. 9:00-21:00, Sat., Sun. and National holidays 9:00-18:00)

Hotline in Japanese only!



Guides to the new digital TV service can be found at the FIA Plaza 1F Information and Consultation Corner

Join NUKU-NUKU, Our Chat Group for Foreign Mothers!

Participants can make friends in a relaxed atmosphere while discussing both the problems and promise of child rearing in Fukui. This is a great chance for mothers to talk and exchange information and experiences. Please bring your child along for the fun too! While the mothers are meeting, enthusiastic volunteers will be there to play with the children, in same room and in easy reach. Participation is free!

When: Wednesday, July 27th 13:00-15:00

Where: Study Room, 2nd Floor, FIA

Open to: Foreign women residing in Fukui Prefecture who are currently pregnant or raising children (ages zero to six)



We also accept consultations from women who plan to have their children attend schools in Japan or women with children already attending Japanese schools. Your consultations will be kept strictly confidential. We look forward to seeing you!

Inquiries/Applications: Ms. SAKAGUCHI, NUKU-NUKU **Tel** 0776-36-6922 **E-mail** nuku_nuku@hotmail.co.jp

Check it out!

Announcing the 12th D-1 Championship & Dance Festival!

Dance any style at this dance championship. Open to women and men of all nationalities, young and old alike! Come see a variety of lively performances! The competition will be broadcast live on Fukui Cable TV, Sakai Cable TV, and on the internet!

When: Sunday, July 10th 14:00~ (doors open at 13:30)

Where: *Fukui Bunka Kaikan* (Fukui Cultural Hall) (2-7-1 Haruyama, Fukui City) on Awara Kaido

Admission: 800 yen for advance tickets, 1000 yen at the door



All proceeds go towards supporting victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake through volunteer organizations and NPOs!

Inquiries: International Club **Tel & Fax** 0776-23-5441 **E-mail** info@international-club.org
Website <http://international-club.org/>



Grassroots International Exchange Activities Supported by the FIA

11th Cooking Course for Japanese and Foreign Nationals Tastes of Summer

When: Saturday, June 25th, 13:30-16:00

Where: Cooking Practice Room, 6th Floor, AOSSA
(1-4-1 Teyose, Fukui City)

【Access】 One minute walk from JR Fukui Station.

Cost: 700 yen **Instructor:** Ms. Hiroko DEKURA

Limit: 30 participants (age, gender, and nationality not a factor)

Application Deadline: Thursday, June 23rd

~Menu~

- ★ Mikan and Ham Sushi Roll
- ★ Chicken and New Potato Stew
- ★ Cinderella (pumpkin pudding)
- ★ Salad



Not familiar with these foods? Then come learn!

13th International Understand Seminar Cyprus Edition ~Learn to Make Sweets from Cyprus~

When: Sunday, July 10th, 10:00-12:00

Where: Hōei Community Center (4-8-4 Matsumoto, Fukui City)

【Access】 15 minute walk from the FIA Plaza

Cost: 700 yen **Instructor:** Diler Ertug

Limit: 30 participants (No distinction of age, gender, and nationality)

Application Deadline: Sunday, July 3rd

~Menu~

Helva (sesame snack) and more



Inquiries/Applications: Ms. KOBAYASHI, Earth link **Tel** 090-8965-8580 **E-mail** neko4bctu@yahoo.co.jp

fuku i ben 福井弁 Corner!

fuku i ben
Fukui's regional dialect, known as 福井弁, is an important means of communicating with locals to the area. Here are some examples for you to put to use in your Fukui life! (Pronunciation is annotated above the Japanese kanji/kana.)

《Conversational Fukui-ben》

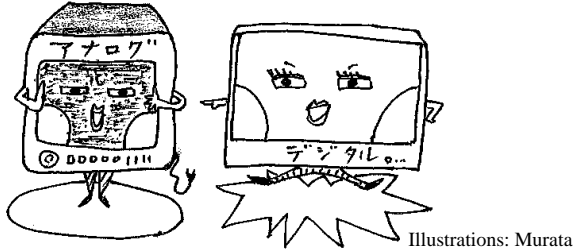
「もうすぐ地上デジタル放送に完全に移行するんやさけ、準備しとかんとあかんざ。」

アナログ放送はじゃみじゃみになるざ。」【福井弁】

(もうすぐ地上デジタル放送に完全に移行するんだから、準備しておかないとだめよ。

アナログ放送は砂嵐になるよ。)【Standard】

They're going to switch over to digital broadcasting soon, so you need to set your TV up for it! Analog signal will just be static.



fuku i ben 福井弁 (Standard)	Meaning
～やさけ (～だから)	[indicates cause/reason]
～しとかんとあかんざ (～しておかないとだめよ)	“Have to~”
じゃみじゃみ (砂嵐)	sandstorm; static
～ざ (～よ)	[adds emphasis]

The Information / Counseling Corner

	Fukui International Activities Plaza	Reinan International Center
Open	Wed, Fri-Sun, every 2 nd Mon: 9:00-18:00 Tue/Thu: 9:00-20:00	Tue, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9:30-18:00 Thu: 9:30-20:00 1 st and 3 rd Sun of each month: 12:00-18:00
Closed	Mon (except 2 nd Mon of each month), National holidays and Dec. 29 th -Jan. 3 rd (Room rental is available 9:00-21:00 except National holidays and Dec. 28 th -Jan. 4 th)	Mon, Sun (except 1 st and 3 rd Sun of the month) National Holidays and Dec. 29 th -Jan. 3 rd
Location	〒910-0004 3-1-1 Hōei, Fukui City TEL: 0776-28-8800 FAX: 0776-28-8818	〒914-0063 1-4-26 Kagura-chō, Tsuruga City TEL: 0770-21-3455 FAX: 0770-21-3441
E-MAIL	info@f-i-a.or.jp	reinan@f-i-a.or.jp
Website	http://www.f-i-a.or.jp/en/	http://www.f-i-a.or.jp/ja/reinan/
FM Broadcast	FM Fukui 76.1 <i>Touch the world</i> Every Wednesday, 9:30-9:40 (broadcast during the program “Life Is”) <i>CHOTTO KITE FUKUI</i> Every Saturday, 20:55-21:00 1 st & 3 rd week: Chinese / 2 nd & 4 th week: Portuguese * The program on the 5 th Saturday in July, October, December and March will be re-aired in Chinese.	Tsuruga Community FM Harbor Station 77.9 <i>Kaze no Kōsaten Yōkoso Sutajio e</i> (guest appearance) First Monday of every month, 13:00-13:20



Hotlines for Foreigners

If you have any problems or concerns, support is available in English.

The conversation will be kept confidential, so don't hesitate to call.

We accept consultations by phone or in person.

0120-288-291 or 0120-788-291

(Tuesday-Sunday, 11:30 - 17:30)



National Holidays in June and July

Monday, July 18th: Marine Day