

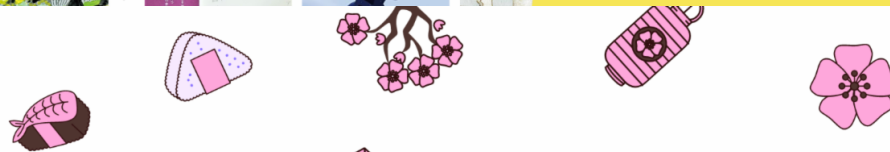
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# virtual Japanese Study Fair

バーチャル日本語学習フェア

**AUG 3 @ 7-8 PM EDT**

Register: [tr.jpf.jp/event/studyfair2023/](https://tr.jpf.jp/event/studyfair2023/)



We're halfway through July and we've already had some hot sunny days along with a few wet rainy nights. For a cool and dry summer day indoors, check out some great reads from our [July New Arrivals booklist](#) and start gearing up for your Japanese language studies by registering for our annual [Virtual Japanese Study Fair](#).

Don't miss our special in-person talk event this Saturday as we welcome accomplished curator from Japan, KITAZAWA Eishi, as he discusses the process of curating our ongoing exhibition, [A Sense of Movement: Japanese Sports Posters](#).

For more upcoming JFT events, community news, as well as online resources, **see details below**.

### SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

Now - September 9	GALLERY EXHIBITION	<a href="#">A Sense of Movement: Japanese Sports Posters</a>
July 15	IN-PERSON TALK	

Conjuring A Sense of Movement: Japanese Graphic Designers & Sports Posters

July 19	ONLINE TEACHERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	<u>JF Material Analysis 1: Marugoto+</u>
July 26	JAPANESE LANGUAGE CLASSES	<u>Virtual Study Space Game Room (2)</u>
July 29	ONLINE TEACHERS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	<u>JFT Marugoto Teaching Material Project (4) + Marugoto Course Lesson Plans: Presentations</u>
August 3	JAPANESE LANGUAGE EVENT	<u>Virtual Japanese Study Fair</u>
August 3	JAPANESE LANGUAGE CLASSES	<u>Registrations Open!</u>

## UPCOMING EVENTS



In-Person Talk

### Conjuring A Sense of Movement: Japanese Graphic Designers & Sports Posters

Saturday, July 15 @ 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

In-person @ JFT | Admission Free | Registration Required

Join us to welcome curator KITAZAWA Eishi from Japan to present a special talk event about Japanese graphic design and sports posters, in conjunction with our ongoing [Japanese Sports Posters Exhibition](#).

KITAZAWA Eishi is the former curator of the Ginza Graphic Gallery (ggg) and of the DNP Foundation for Cultural Promotion. He honed his artistic instincts as a curator while mingling with the likes of YOKOO Tadanori, one of Japan's leading artists, and such renowned art directors as ISHIOKA Eiko. Ginza Graphic Gallery, where Kitazawa has worked for decades, now enjoys a global reputation as the "Mecca of graphic design." Kitazawa's mission is to "point to the direction of new design in anticipating the times" and "pass on graphic design—which developed alongside the cultures of paper and printing—to future generations."

[Register here](#)

Library News

### July New Arrivals

[Visit the library](#) to borrow newly arrived titles! If you are tired of city life or yearning to reconnect with nature this summer, SHION Miura's heartwarming novel [The Easy Life in Kamusari](#) staged in a remote mountainside village of Japan is a perfect book for you; for those who wish to travel to Japan's ancient capital, the bilingual book [Nara : a historical walking guide](#) [奈良歴史散策ガイド](#) is



[See full list here](#)

an invaluable companion to learn deeper about its rich history and cultural significance; SHIMADA Toranosuke's award-winning manga [Robo Sapiens: Tales of Tomorrow](#) is a must-read for anyone seeking a quiet, contemplative sci-fi with intellectual stimulation and philosophical musings; and more!

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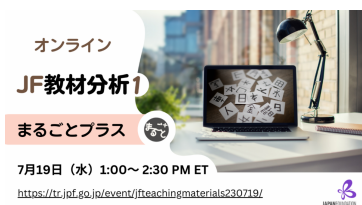


**Library News**  
**JF Canada Digital Library: Newly Added Ebooks and Audiobooks**

Check out new ebooks and audiobooks just added to [JF Canada Digital Library](#)! This month we have added more audiobooks, which are perfect for busy individuals while commuting, exercising, or tackling daily chores. Immerse yourself in a gripping mystery with AYATSUJI Yukito's [The Decagon House Murders](#) (Audiobook), a milestone in the history of detective fiction; whether you've already visited our gallery exhibition [A Sense of Movement: Japanese Sports Posters](#) or are planning to do so, the audiobook [1964: The Greatest Year in the History of Japan](#) will enrich your gallery experience with little-known background stories of the 1964 Tokyo Olympics that shaped some of these magnificent sports posters; for lovers of Japanese poetry and those seeking moments of introspection and tranquility, the audiobook of [Narrow Road to the Interior, Hojoki](#) is an exquisite journey of the mind and spirit; and more!

Apply for a new library card or renew your expired card [here](#).

[Browse other ebooks and audiobooks](#)



**Online Teachers' Professional Development**  
**JF Material Analysis 1: Marugoto+**

**Wednesday, July 19, 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM (ET)**  
 Online Event | Admission Free | Registration Required | Conducted in Japanese only

Marugoto+ (Marugoto Plus) is a website where students can learn Japanese language and culture based on the Japan Foundation Official Japanese Language Course Book "Marugoto: Japanese Language and Culture". In this session, we plan to first analyze the website's teaching materials and then discuss together how to effectively use the site from a teacher's perspective.

[Register here](#)

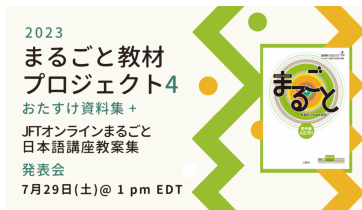
Japanese Language Classes  
**Virtual Study Space Game Room (2)**



**Wednesday, July 26, 8:00 PM – 8:40 PM (ET)**  
Online Event | Admission Free | Registration Required |  
Intermediate Japanese Required  
**Game: Ito**

A series of events where intermediate and advanced Japanese learners can speak Japanese regularly to maintain their proficiency. In our second game room we will play Ito. It will be a fun gathering, and we hope you will join us!

[Register here](#)



**Online Teachers' Professional Development**  
**JFT Marugoto Teaching Material Project (4) +**  
**Marugoto Course Lesson Plans: Presentations**

**Saturday, July 29, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)**  
Online Event | Admission Free | Registration Required | Conducted  
in Japanese only

Through the Marugoto Teaching Material Project, we created a collection of materials for the Pre-Intermediate (A2/B1) level to be used as a reference by teachers. On July 29 we will present and go over these materials, as well as the JFT Marugoto course lesson plans we are making available on our website for Starter through Pre-Intermediate levels.

Please join us if you are currently using Marugoto Teaching Materials or if you are interested in using them in the future!

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**Japanese Language News**  
**Virtual Japanese Study Fair**

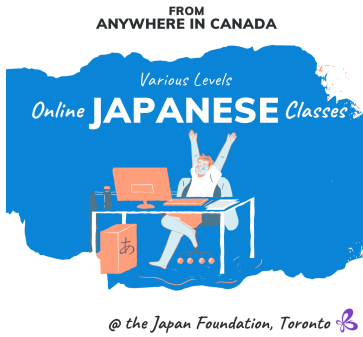
**Thursday, August 3, 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)**  
Online Event | Admission Free | Registration Required

Are you interested in studying Japanese but don't know where to begin? Do you understand some Japanese but are looking to put your skills to the test? Join our study fair, where Japanese language schools from around Ontario will be sharing information about their programs and answering any questions you might have.

[Register here](#)

**Japanese Language Classes**  
**Registration opens August 3!**

Are you interested in studying Japanese? Information on our September 2023 language courses is now available! We offer online courses for everyone from complete beginners (Starter A1)



to intermediate speakers (Intermediate B1/JLPT N3 level), with registration opening 12:00 PM (EDT) on August 3.

[Details here](#)



### Japanese Language Resource 2023-2024 School Calendar: Japan's Regions

Each year JFT creates a school calendar to show our appreciation to the institutions in Canada that teach the Japanese language. Our latest calendar is now available on our website for download. Check it out for tips on Japan's different regions!

[Details here](#)

## ONGOING EVENTS



### Gallery Exhibition A Sense of Movement: Japanese Sports Posters

**Dates: Now to September 9, 2023**

Admission Free | Pre-registrations now open! | Open on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays



*A Sense of Movement* is an impressive international exhibition that explores the connection between Japanese graphic design and sports. Our collection presents a total of 68 pieces from 24 designers, from young professionals to great graphic design masters, who introduces the means to creatively convey sports and movement through two-dimensional printed media. Starting April 20, join us to experience the fruit of Japan's rich graphic design culture, from the 1964 Tokyo Summer Olympics to present day.

[Details here](#)

[Book your visit](#)

### Dive Deeper into the World of Japanese Sports Posters with JFT Library's Book List

Have you already visited JFT gallery exhibition [A Sense of Movement: Japanese Sports Posters](#)? Fully immerse yourself in the world of Japanese sports posters by borrowing materials from the JFT library's curated [book list](#) before or after visiting the



gallery! The [book list](#) includes select titles on Japanese sports, graphic design, and the designers behind this dynamic art form. Whether you are a sports fan or graphic designer/art lover, this book list will provide valuable insights and inspiration to deepen your understanding and appreciation of this captivating intersection of art and sport.

Apply for a new library card or renew your expired card [here](#).

[Details here](#)



### Japanese Language Classes JFT Virtual Study Space

Online Space | Admission Free | Registration Required

Looking for a space to practice the Japanese language outside of class? Want to connect with fellow learners from all over Canada (or study alone if you wish)? Our free online 24/7 JFT Virtual Study Space is now open to all learners of Japanese in Canada. Here, learners can practice speaking, complete weekly language challenges, play games, chill, study together or alone, and more.

[Register here](#)

## JAPAN FOUNDATION SUPPORTED EVENTS



### Japan Studies Association of Canada 2023 JSAC Annual Conference Registration and Call for Papers

**Registration deadline: Thursday, July 20**

**Call for papers: Monday, July 31 [extended]**

In-person conference @ University of Saskatchewan (September 28 - October 1)

The 2023 Japan Studies Association of Canada meeting in Saskatoon will focus on the theme of "Japan in Perilous Times." JSAC, as a truly multidisciplinary organization, always looks for cross-cutting topics that encourage the participation of individuals studying the past and the present, culture and economics, social issues and environmental considerations.

Papers and panels are welcome. Please send your name, the title of your paper or panel and an abstract (max 250 words) to [political.studies@usask.ca](mailto:political.studies@usask.ca). Please include the words JSAC Panel or JSAC Paper in the subject line.

[Details here](#)



Toronto Outdoor Picture Show  
**Interstella 5555: The 5tory of the 5ecret 5tar 5ystem**

**Sunday, July 23, 8:45 PM (ET)**

Eats & Treats at 6:00 PM

Outdoor Film Screening | Admission Free | Presented in English

A visual companion to Daft Punk's sophomore album *Discovery*, *Interstella 5555: The 5tory of the 5ecret 5tar 5ystem* catapults the audience onto an alien planet where a band is abducted from their world, stripped of their natural form, and made to appear as humans to serve capital gains. The film uses *Discovery* as the soundtrack to a space pilot's heroic attempts to save them, following the band through a wormhole as they travel to Earth. Directed by TAKENOUCHI Kazuhisa and animated by the legendary Japanese manga and anime creator MATSUMOTO Leiji, who passed away this year, the visuals convey the psychedelic emotional journey through the universe experienced by the band.

Presented at Christie Pits Park as part of Toronto Outdoor Picture Show's "Another World" programme. Supported by the Japan Foundation, Toronto's Local Grant Program.

[Details here](#)



**The Japan Foundation**

**Job Openings**

**Deadline: Thursday, August 10 (Japan Time)**

The Japan Foundation Head Office is recruiting for the positions of Japanese-Language Senior Specialist, Japanese-Language Specialist, and Japanese-Language Assistant.

Applications must be received by Thursday, August 10, Japan Time.

[Details here](#)



**Canadian Association for Japanese Language Education**

**CAJLE Annual Conference – Registration Open**

**Thursday, August 17 – Friday, August 18**

In-Person Conference @ Best Western Ville-Marie Hotel & Suites | Paid Admission | Registration Required

CAJLE (Canadian Association for Japanese Language Education) will host its 2023 Annual Conference in Montreal, Quebec in person for the first time in four years. Theme: Japanese Language Education into the Future: Unlearning Teaching Practices in the Increasingly Diverse Society

Conference details can be found [here](#). Active CAJLE members can register for the conference at a discounted rate. We encourage you to consider joining CAJLE. We look forward to welcoming you in Montreal this summer!

[Details here](#)

**ONLINE RESOURCE RECOMMENDATIONS**



**Gallery, Visual Arts Recommendation**  
**Cooling Off Along Takenogawa River**

"Waterfall River at Oji" from the series "Famous Places in the Eastern Capital" by Hiroshige

4 min. 59 sec. | Narrated in English

[Watch here](#)



**Performing Arts Recommendation**  
**Hiromi - I've Got Rhythm**

Jazz Piano

8 min. 56 sec.

[Watch here](#)



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