

## KAWASAKI INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION NEWS

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Please visit the Kawasaki International Association's homepage: <http://www.kian.or.jp/hlkwsk.html>

## FUN AND USEFUL JAPANESE LESSONS FOR FOREIGN RESIDENTS

### ★What are the Japanese language classes at the Kawasaki International Center like?

- Study with other students at your own level.
- Small-group classes.
- A place where all foreign learners can relax, study and ask questions.
- Child care available for the morning course (from age 1yr.) Mothers can study Japanese here, too!
- Study not only Japanese language but also Japanese culture, go on outings to see things in Kawasaki, etc. Activities include field trips, pear-picking, Japanese calligraphy, handicrafts and others.
- A great place to make friends!

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- Those who can read Hiragana and Katakana start by taking a level test.
- You will then be placed in a class appropriate to your level.
- Teachers are volunteers who have received training in how to teach Japanese to foreign learners.

### ★What kinds of classes are there?

- Beginner, intermediate and advanced classes; about 12 classes.

**【Beginner to Elementary】** Uses a textbook created by the volunteers: 『日本語 160 時間』(*Japanese 160 Hours*) (2 vols) (price ¥1,200)

Easy-to-understand explanations of the Japanese language. Study the language you need for daily conversation and everyday life in Japan.

Begins the study of kanji little by little.

Even those who know absolutely no Japanese can start with confidence in the Beginner class.

**【Intermediate】** Uses various commercially available textbooks.

Study to improve your Japanese. Teaching is based on the circumstances of each student.

**【Advanced】** Discussion and free conversation based on newspaper articles and the events of the day.

#### ◎Morning Course: Tuesdays and Fridays, 9:50~11:50 \*Child care available. (From age 1; free.)

1st Semester: April 19 (Tues)~July 8 (Fri) ¥11,000 (for all 22 classes)

2nd Semester: September 20 (Tues)~December 6日 (Tues) ¥11,000 (all 22 classes)

3rd Semester: January 13, 2012 (Fri)~March 9 (Fri) ¥8,500 (all 17classes)

#### ◎Evening Course: Wednesdays, 18:30~20:30 \*No child care.

1st Semester: April 20~July13 ¥6,000 (all 12 classes)

2nd Semester: September7~December 21 ¥7,500 (all 15 classes)

3rd Semester: January 11, 2012~March 7 ¥4,500 (all 9 classes)




- In addition to the course fee, there is sometimes a fee for textbooks or materials.
- Note: course fees cannot be refunded.

**【For more information , or to enroll】** Kawasaki International Association TEL. 044-435-7000 FAX. 044-435-7010

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**【Place】** Kawasaki International Center (10 min. walk from Motosumiyoshi Station on the Tokyu Toyoko Line / Meguro Line)

# Kawasaki City Event Calendar (April – August) (Current plan: please check for changes.)

Month	Day	Event
April	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kanamara Matsuri</b> : Wakamiya Hachimangu (3min. from Kawasaki Daishi Stn. on the Keikyu Daishi Line)</li> </ul> 
	16~17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kawasaki Asian Festa</b> : JR Kawasaki Station area</li> </ul>
May	mid -	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ikuta Ryokuchi Rose Garden Opens</b> : (12min. from Mukogaoka-Yuen Stn. on Odakyu Line)</li> </ul>
	late -	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nakahara Kaido Jidai Matsuri</b> : around Todoroki Green Park (bus ride from Musashi-Kosugi Stn. on the JR Nambu and Tokyu Toyoko Lines)</li> </ul>
June	mid-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nagao no Sato Ajisai Festival</b>: Myorakuji Temple (bus ride from Noborito Stn. on the Odakyu Line, then walk 15min.)</li> </ul> 
July	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>International Festival</b> : Kawasaki International Center (10min. from Motosumiyoshi Stn on the Tokyu Toyoko / Megruro Line)</li> </ul>
	undecided	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kawasaki Daishi Wind Bells Market</b>: Kawasaki Daishi (8min. from Kawasaki Daishi Stn.)</li> </ul>
Aug	1 ~ 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kawasaki Sanno Festival</b> : Inage Shrine (10min. from Keikyu Kawasaki Stn.)</li> </ul>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ta magawa Fireworks Festival</b> : Takatsu Ward, Tamagawa River, dry riverbed area (8min. from Futako Shinchi Stn. on Tokyu Den-en Toshi Line)</li> </ul> 

## Applying For Public Housing

\*Seminar on how to apply scheduled for late May. Further information is available on KIAN website. Applications are now being accepted, limit for 20 people.

**【What is public housing?】** Housing built by the city and national governments and now held by the city, made available cheaply to low-income earners who are having serious trouble finding housing. There are various rules and conditions established for public housing different from what is usual in private housing. While no key money or deposit is needed, the authorities will look at your income and determine your rent.

**【Conditions for application】**

- (1) Live in this city or have held the same job here for more than a year
- (2) Monthly income not above a certain level
- (3) Having serious trouble finding housing etc.

**【Application period】** In Kawasaki City applications are taken twice a year:

May (Spring) • • late May to early June (for moving in between October and March)

October (Fall) • • late October to early November (to move in between April and September of the next year)

**【Contact】** Kawasaki City Housing Supply Corporation/Public Housing Division, Public Housing Management Section

TEL 044 (244) 7578

<http://www.kawasaki-jk.or.jp/shiei/index.php4>

## Kawasaki International Center

English Monday - Saturday Chinese Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Portuguese Tuesday, Friday Spanish Tuesday, Wednesday

Korean Tuesday, Thursday Tagalog Tuesday, Wednesday

\* Counseling in Japanese is also available. Please feel free to come for a consultation.

\* Counseling Services for Foreigners on Visa and other matters, with a lawyer who is a notary public (Gyouseishoshi) at Kawasaki International Center

Next Available Counseling Session with the Gyouseishoshi: Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 14:00 - 16:00

### •Kawasaki Ward Office

Language	Day	Hour
English	1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	14:00-16:30
Chinese	1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	14:00-16:30
Tagalog	1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	9:30-12:00

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