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Dear Readers,

For the safety of our members, community and friends - and in accordance to Ontario public health directives - the JCCC remains closed to the public.

For the foreseeable future, the JCCC will continue distributing our newsletter online. Please feel free to share our newsletter as it contains helpful information about the community as well as JCCC online offerings during this time of social isolation. Our website, www.jccc. on.ca, and our social media channels will have the most up-to-date information.

Please note that this closure does not apply to private businesses operating within 6 Garamond Court. We thank you for your understanding and support, and look forward to welcoming you back soon as the crisis abates.

Please stay well.

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What's On and What's Not at the JCCC

In accordance with Ontario's latest state of emergency guidelines, and for the safety of our members, community and many friends, the JCCC remains closed to the public until further notice. In the meantime, we are offering the following online programs to the community.

Contact the JCCC

For enquiries, please contact respective staff directly [see staff directory here] or email us at jccc@jccc.on.ca. For general enquiries by telephone, please call 416-441-2345 and leave a message at extension 222. One of our staff will return your call at our earliest convenience.

Upcoming Events include:

JCCC's annual bazaar is cancelled for 2021.

Cultural Classes and Workshop

- Kamp Kodomo Workshops Free Workshops for Kids (page 5)
- JCCC Japanese Language for Adults Program Virtual Classes Spring session (page 10)
- Japanese 1-on-1 Online Japanese Conversation Lessons Currently Full (page 13)

Martial Arts Classes

 Many of our clubs are now conducting Zoom classes. Classes are opened to registered students only. Please contact jccc@jccc.on.ca with any questions.

Exhibitions

Please see p18 for exhibition calendar

Message from Executive Director

With the vaccine rollout ongoing, we can now see the return to normal coming gradually into focus. We continue to monitor the shifting colour codes as the pandemic abates and hope to have a reopening announcement to offer soon.

Spring is the season of renewal and the return of life after the dark winter months. I am writing this about one week after we sent out our "Fresh Start" membership renewal offer and the response has far exceeded what we could have hoped for. In the first week we were inundated with hundreds of responses – in fact, many renewed at higher membership levels than they had previously – and the mail pours in daily. I cannot tell you what an encouraging signal this is for us. To ease the membership purchase process, our online membership renewal portal has gone live on the JCCC website as well to further streamline the process. Thank you so much everyone.

Click here to
Renew JCCC Membership
Online Now

We have so many new events and an exciting exhibit ready to go when we reopen and, in the meantime, lots of online content.

We will see you soon. Until we do, please stay safe and be well.

James Heron
Executive Director

Membership Renewal

To renew your membership, you may use the following methods:

Online Renewal: For your convenience, you can renew your membership online here.

By Phone: You may call the JCCC at 416-441-2345 ext 222 and leave a message. One of our staff will return your call at our earliest convenience to complete the transaction over the phone with you.

By Mail: You may choose to mail in your membership renewal, along with a cheque or your credit card information.

By E-mail: You may email the JCCC at jccc@jccc.on.ca with your completed membership renewal form.

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Spring Break Free Virtual Workshops

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Register Now

Click HERE

詳細、登録はこちら

The JCCC is offering 3 FREE virtual workshops for children over Spring Break. 4月のオンタリオ州春休み期間中、児童向け無料ワークショップを三つ開催します。

Monday April 12

ic Tac Know



Thursday

April 15

Scavenger Hunt & Tic Tac Know

- Back by Popular Demand

Children will get a chance to look for a variety of items in their homes and understand how they contribute to their own identity as well as understand their family heritage.

スキャヴェンジャーハント&ティックタックノウ

(リクエストに応え、2回目開催!)

ゲームを通して家族のヘリテージを学ぶ。お馴染みの二つのゲームを組み合わせ、うち の中で物探し、自分のアイデンティティへのつながりを考よう。

> Wednesday April 14



Riceball Workshop

 Back by Popular Demand Learn how to make riceball in this fun 45-minute workshop, and see how food is an important part of preserving culture.

おむすびワークショップ

(リクエストに応え、2回目開催!) おむすびの作り方を楽しみながら学ぶ45分間の ワークショップで、食文化の重要な役割を知ろう。

Craft Workshop - DIY Family Book

This hands-on workshop will walk through how to make a simple family photobook, and also talk about how scrapbooks are used to document family histories.

クラフトワークショップ - DIYファミリーブック

簡単なファミリー写真集作りに挑戦。家族史を綴れるスクラップブックの利用法も学ぶ。

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THE TORONTO JAPANESE FILM FESTIVAL CELEBRATES ITS 10TH GREAT YEAR IN JUNE!

The Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre's 10th annual Toronto Japanese Film Festival will be presented in a hybrid format with online offerings, from June 5 to 27, along with select onsite screenings planned for October at the JCCC's Kobayashi Hall. The festival has now grown into one of the largest film events of its kind in the world and is recognized by the Japanese film industry as a vital conduit for bringing Japanese film to the world.

North American and Canadian premieres include Mitsuhito Fujii's yakuza thriller A FAMILY, Keisuke Yoshida's boxing drama BLUE CORNER, Katsuhide Motoki's period dramedy ANGRY RICE WIVES, Shuichi Okita's surreal examination of aging and loneliness ORA ORA BE GOIN' ALONE, Hiroki Kadokawa's foodie-friendly historical drama MIO'S COOKBOOK, Masayuki Suo's delightful ode to Japan's silent film era TALKING THE PICTURES and Akiko Ohku's HOLD ME BACK, winner of the Audience Choice Award at the Tokyo International Film Festival.

Other films by leading women directors include Miwa Nishikawa's UNDER THE OPEN SKY featuring a searing career-best performance by Koji Yakusho, Naomi Kawase's powerful story of motherhood TRUE MOTHERS which was Japan's representative candidate for the Academy Awards, and Hitomi Kuroki's historical fantasy THE DEVIL WEARS JU-NI HITOE KIMONO.

Two of Japan's top young stars Tadayoshi Okuda and Ryo Narita find one another in Isao Yukisada's touching LGBTQ romance THE CORNERED MOUSE DREAMS OF CHEESE while photographer Yoshihiko Ueda's debut feature A GARDEN OF CAMELLIAS is a ravishingly beautiful examination of the exquisite transience of life, and Michihito Fuji's THE BRIGHTEST ROOF IN THE UNIVERSE is a whimsical comedy-drama that finds a troubled 14 year-old girl visited by a magical stranger. This year's anime premiere is LIP X LIP FILM X LIVE, a hybrid anime movie and "live concert performance" by the popular virtual popstars Lip x Lip.

Documentaries include Eiji Sakata's study of the world of sumo wrestling SUMODO – SUCCESSORS TO THE SAMURAI, Kazuma Tabei's HOSÉ! JOSE MUJICA! and Kimio Watanabe's original 1965's TOKYO PARALYMPICS: FESTIVAL OF LOVE AND GLORY.

Other screenings include Yukihiko Tsutsumi's intense family drama HOPE, Rikiya Imaizumi's compelling indie romance JUST ONLY LOVE, Anshul Chauhan's multiple award-winning drama of buried family secrets, KONTORA, Koichiro Miki's adaptation of Wataru Watanabe's popular cycling manga, YOWAMUSHI PEDAL: UP THE ROAD and Shinya Ayabe's high-energy tale of food-obsession SCHOOL MEALS TIME: FINAL BATTLE.

Individual tickets for all Toronto Japanese Film Festival (TJFF) screenings are priced at CDN\$9.99 or an ALL ACCESS FESTIVAL PASS for CDN\$99.99. Please enjoy the films at home with your family. Some films do address adult themes so please check age recommendations.

Films are presented through our online platform partner CINESEND. ALL ACCESS FESTIVAL PASS will go on sale on **Monday, May 10** at 10:00am (EDT). Check our website, social media and upcoming newsletter for more details.











May 6 - Maru: immigration Stories - Virtual Launch Event



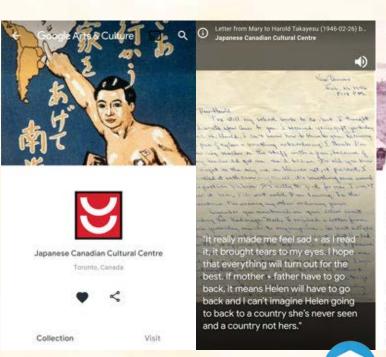
We are excited to announce a virtual launch event on Thursday May 6 for Maru: Immigration Stories - virtual exhibit.

In February 2021, the JCCC launched the virtual exhibit Maru: Immigration Stories on the Google Arts and Culture platform. The Maru exhibition team has been rolling out virtual launch events to select groups, and would now like to extend the launch event to our community. During this virtual event, you can expect to get to know behind the scenes of this online exhibit, and participate in a Q&A session.

Pre-registration will be required. Please check the JCCC website, as well as social media channels for registration details as they become available.

In the meantime, we encourage you to browse the exhibit and share your experience with us by email (heritage@jccc.on.ca) or social media using #jcccmarustories.

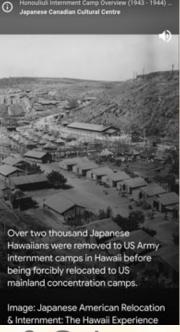
To access the exhibit, click here





Early Nikkei Communities Across the Americas

Japan transitioned from military to Imperial rule in 1868. The new Meiji government's drive for industrialization forced hundreds of thousands of farmers out of work. Emigration was seen as a quick solution and thus over the next decades Japanese



Google Arts & Culture

Maru: Immigration Stories

Beyond the JCCC Collection



In addition to the artifacts and photographs that we have used from the JCCC Collections, Maru: Immigration Stories uses photographs, video and artifacts from Nikkei communities around the world.

These photographs are from the <u>Japanese</u> <u>Cultural Centre of Hawai'i (JCCH)</u>. For this section of the exhibit, we have chosen to use both historic photographs and photos of artifacts held within the collection of the JCCH. Using the resources of institutions similar to the JCCC has allowed us to show how rich the histories of Nikkei communities around the world really are. It has also allowed us to provide the visual cues needed to show some of the amazing similarities between the experiences of the diverse communities.

We hope that you will enjoy exploring all of the similarities and differences highlighted by our photograph and artifact choices.

Maru: Immigration Stories

Behind the Scenes (Oizumi)



Samba performance during the World Gourmet Festival. Courtesy of the Oizumi Tourism Association.

Nestled about two hours away from the metropolitan city of Tokyo lies a small town in Gunma called Oizumi. It is in Oizumi where you will find the largest Nikkei population in Japan and once a year, the quiet town transforms and becomes the hub for celebrating Nikkei culture from South America. Visitors from near and far gather to experience the "Oizumi Carnival". In past years, there were performances like Samba and local Nikkei idol groups. Similar to festivals at the JCCC, this Nikkei community, with their unique identity, celebrates their culture. Right in Oizumi, visitors can get a taste of Nikkei Brazilian flair and comfort food.

To learn more about Oizumi and the lives of Nikkei immigrants in Japan, visit Part 3 of the virtual Maru: Immigration Stories.

Spring 2021 JCCC Japanese Language for Adults Program



Virtual Classes Begins April 20, 2021. Registration starts April 1, 2021. Click here to Learn More and Register!

Martial Arts Corner

The JCCC is home to eight different martial arts classes and clubs. While some clubs have been a part of the JCCC family since the beginning, more martial arts clubs have formed as instructors have become available. This month we are featuring the JCCC's Kyudo Club, Seikyu Kai.

The JCCC's Kyudo program put together a fantastic video about their program for our Virtual Haru Matsuri. To watch the video, please go here.



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All of our instructors are native Japanese speakers who are experienced/certified with Japanese language teaching techniques and are also fluent in English.

Lesson content and format are customizable on a student by student basis.

This program is for students 18 years of age or older. Hiragana reading skills are a requirement.

LESSONS AT YOUR CONVENIENCE:

Learn anytime to best suit your own convenience and preferred schedule. Lesson dates and times to be coordinated with your instructor in advance. Classes may be taken up to twice per week or once every 1-3 weeks according to students' desire. All lessons must be completed within a 3 month period (effective from the first lesson date).

LEARN JAPANESE WHILE SUPPORTING THE JCCC:

All funds from the 1 ON 1 Japanese Conversation program go directly to supporting the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre. As a result of the COVID 19 pandemic, activities at the JCCC have been severely curtailed. Our instructors are all donating their time and expertise to support the JCCC until normal activities resume.

- Students are not required to be a member of JCCC.
- Suitable for people who studied and mastered basic Japanese.
- Speaking is the main focus of this program.

REGISTRATION & CONTACT INFORMATION

To register and, for more information, please visit our website at www.jccc.on.ca or contact us at jponline@iccc.on.ca

A Recipe from our Seniors' Supper Club

- Baked Tonkatsu -

(Serves 2)

This recipe was modified to give you a healthier option as it is baked not fried.



Ingredients

4 centre loin pork chops (~250 grams) 3/4 cup panko 2 tsp oil 1 egg, beaten 2 tbsp flour 1/4 tsp salt 1/4 tsp pepper

Equipment

3 shallow bowls or plates Frying pan Baking sheet

Instructions

- 1. Preheat oven to 400°F.
- 2. Heat frying pan on medium low-heat and add oil.
- 3. Add panko and cook, stirring occasionally, until golden brown.
- 4. Place cooked panko on shallow plate and let cool.
- 5. Crack egg onto shallow plate and beat with a fork.
- 6. Put flour, salt and pepper onto shallow plate and mix lightly.
- 7. For each pork chop:
 - Place onto the plate of flour and coat the meat with flour. Ensure to get as much of the meat covered with a light layer of flour. Shake off any excess flour.
 - Dip the floured pork chop into the beaten egg until completely covered with egg wash. Shake off any excess egg mixture.
 - Place the pork chop on the cooked panko and roll around until completely covered in panko. Be delicate as to not to crush the panko too much.
 - Place the pork chop on the baking sheet.
- 8. Place in preheated oven and cook for 17-20 minutes, or until fully cooked, flipping the tonkatsu with a spatula at the halfway point.
- 9. Serve with rice and tonkatsu sauce.

Storage and Reheating

- Store leftover Tonkatsu in the refrigerator not longer than 3 days
- Tonkatsu with reheat best in a toaster oven or oven. Bake on high for 2—3 minutes or until it is no longer cold to the touch.
- · Left over tonkatsu will make a great sandwich!

JCCC News

JCCC PouTube Corner

Looking for activity ideas to do with your children during Spring Break?

Why not try this Sakura craft that's fun to do and perfect for the season. For step-by-step instructions, hop onto the JCCC YouTube video here.



KOKUBAN

Want to listen to first-person accounts of the lives of nikkei families pre-WWII in Canada and abroad?

This month's KOKUBAN features stories about two men on opposite axes of the world – north in Canada, and south in Brazil. They talk about struggles as minorities in their countries, and how they found their place in society.

To watch their interviews, or read the latest issue of Kokuban, click $\underline{\text{here}}.$



Bazaar update

バザーに関するお知らせ

Unfortunately, as the pandemic continues to threaten the health of our community, the JCCC is very sorry to say that, for a second time, we will be not be holding our annual Bazaar this May. We hope that this will be something that can be planned for a future date, but are unable to make any definite plans at this time.

Please keep checking our newsletter and website at www. jccc.on.ca for any future bazaar announcements and activities.

コミュニティの健康を脅かすコロナ禍が続く現況を鑑み、非常に残念ではありますが、昨年に引き続き今年5月のJCCC恒例行事バザーイベントを取りやめる決断に至りました。延期という形で後日開催を検討するものの、現時点では確実な計画を立てることができない状況です。

バザーに関しては、今後もニュースレターやウェブサイトwww. iccc.on.caで随時アップデイトのお知らせを掲載いたします。

JCCC News

Congratulations James and Chako!

James Matsumoto and Chako Setoyama were given the Rotary International District 7070's prestigious Wilf Wilkinson Peace Award for their tireless efforts in the "Support our Kids" program, bringing children from the earthquake affected Tohoku region to Toronto each year for a 2-week homestay program between 2011-2019. The JCCC was honoured to have been a part of this program.



Many thanks to all who took the time to check out our Virtual Haru Matsuri.

While we were not able to gather at the JCCC, everyone enjoyed our virtual performance and demonstrations emceed by Terry Takashima. Several children and their families joined us for two interactive workshops where they participated in activities, made riceballs, listened to stories, and most importantly, learned about heritage and celebrated culture. NY based Rakugo artist Ken entertained with his story of "The Feast."

A special thank you to all our groups for their support and to the volunteers that made our virtual event possible.

We missed the hustle and bustle of visitors in our building, but we hope to see everyone at Haru Matsuri in 2022!







東日本大震災被災児童自立支援プロジェクト

Support Our Kids

The JCCC has been supporting the SOK since the program started in Toronto in 2013.

10 years have passed since the Great East Japan Earthquake. Thanks to your support, SOK students have been able to get back on their feet. You can see how they are doing at the following link, https://tohoku-resilience.jp/. We really appreciate your support.

Ten years have passed since the Great East Japan Earthquake. A time that passed like a blink of an eye, and yet a time that seems so long. Some things have changed, some things are changing, and some things will never change. What has ten years left in the hearts of each one of us, and what has it created?

Resilience. It is the ability to be flexible and adapt to difficulties. It is the fundamental power that enables people to recover from difficulties and adversities without losing heart. The resilience of the people of Tohoku, who have turned adversity into strength and walked toward recovery, gives us courage and inspires the world. And that resilience is nurtured firmly in the children who will create the future, and has become their hope.

What did the children see and feel that day?

How did they continue to turn adversity into strength?

How do they envision to create the future of Tohoku?

The resilience that Support Our Kids nurtured in the child

The resilience that Support Our Kids nurtured in the children together with the world is present here.

東日本大震災から10年。瞬く間に過ぎ去ってしまったような、長い長い日々の積み重ねでもあったような時間。全く変わってしまったこと、常に変わり続けていること、そして、ずっと変わらないこと。10年という年月は、ひとりひとりの心に、何を刻み、何を残し、何を生み出してきたのでしょうか。

レジリエンス。それは、しなやかな強さ。人が困難や逆境の中にあっても心が折れることなく、立ち直る根源的な力。逆境を力に変え、復興に向け歩んできた東北人のレジリエンスは、私達に勇気を与え、世界から尊敬を集め続けてきています。そして、そのレジリエンスは、未来を創る子どもたちの中にもしっかりと育まれ、希望になっています。

あの日、子ども達は何を見て、何を感じたのか。

逆境を、どうやって力に変え続けてきたのか。

これからの東北、そして未来を、どのように描き、創ろうとしているのか。

Support Our Kidsが、世界と共に育んできた子ども達のレジリエンスがここにある。 https://tohoku-resilience.jp/







[Childrens Stories] To watch the video, click the title.

2013: Sota Oshima
 Aiming to create a community where young people can realize their dreams in the countryside of Fukushima.

2014: Yusei Adachi
 My life has been spared, so I want to be someone who can
 help with the recovery even in my own little way.

2015: Akari Kikawada
 My life has been spared, so I want to be someone who can
 help with the recovery even in my own little way.

 2016 Nanami Miura The Power of Story Telling.

2017: Kanon Kumagai

To make someone else happy with
the power of imagination. Like what you like, and it will be
fine.

Support from Canada

We also recently donated to Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital a flag that the children made in 2019. We were not able to do a face to face ceremony due to COVID-19, but here is a video of the ceremony.

【子ども達の物語】タイトルをクリックするとビデオをご覧になれます。

2013: Sota Oshima 「夢を追って福島の田舎へ行く」若者が挑戦できる地域づくり を目指して!

 2014: Yusei Adachi 命が助かったからには、少しでも復興に役立つ大人になりたい。

 2015: Akari Kikawada 大人になった私が、今度は、地元・栗原の子ども達を応援したい。

2016 Nanami Miura 「語る」ことの持つ力。

・ 2017: Kanon Kumagai 想像する力で誰かを幸せにするために。好きなものは好き、それでいい。

カナダからの支援

また、先日Holland Bloorview Kids Rehabilitation Hospital に、2019年に子ども達が作った旗を寄贈致しました。コロナ禍で対面の式典は行えませんでしたが、ビデオで式典の様子をご覧ください。

Congratulations Sid!

On February 7, the JCCC's Special Advisor Sid Ikeda received the Interfaith Harmony Award from the Toronto Committee of World Interfaith Harmony Week in recognition of his dedicated service to Interfaith Harmony and Respect. Congratulations and well done Sid!



Drinks of Japan -Sake Seminar in March

The first seminar of the series was fun and delicious.

Participants enjoyed learning about sake, from different brewing processes (including fermentation processes from other alcoholic drinks); slideshow of a site visit to one of the most famous breweries in Japan; to where Sake can be purchased in GTA and the surrounding area.

The most fascinating part was enjoying and getting to know about pairings, not only with Japanese foods but also with Italian and Indian cuisine!

Please watch our newsletter and social media for information regarding future Drinks of Japan workshops. Beer seminars are planned for the next one.



Above: Christopher Lao, owner of AKA-ONI Izakaya and sake sommelier

Below: Sho Ozawa, president of Ozawa Canada and certified Kikisake-shi



JCCC Heritage Interns

It is that time of the year again (usually in late August but this is an extraordinary year!) when we say thank you and see you again to JCCC Heritage interns. This term, the department hosted Laura Viselli and Caitlyn Seale who are both on their way to complete their Master's degree. The JCCC would like to acknowledge the generous funding of Young Canada Works and the COVID-19 Emergency Support Fund for Heritage Organizations.

JCCC Heritage Team, Top (left to right): Theressa Takasaki, Su Yen Chong.

Bottom (left to right): Caitlyn Seald and Laura Viselli.

Laura Viselli

My time as a Collections Assistant has been a phenomenal experience and the highlight of my time as a student at the University of Toronto. Theressa Takasaki and Su Yen Chong welcomed us to the Heritage Department with open arms and created a culture where we could learn, not only about the work of museums and how they operate, but most importantly about this vibrant and important community in Canada. I got to see community members share their personal histories and stories through the Sedai Project and through their donations to the Archive and Collections. Being a part of documenting and preserving these histories has been a great honour and one I will cherish forever. It has profoundly shaped my own identity and what it means to be Canadian.

Caitlyn Seale

From November to March, I had the opportunity to work with Su Yen Chong and Theressa Takasaki as Collections Assistant. Previously, I had only worked with the Sedai Project. This time, I was also able to become more familiar with the experience of Japanese Canadians through working with photos and documents from the Mary Uchida Collection. Being able to work with different mediums in which people capture their experience really emphasized the importance of archives to me. I am thankful for this opportunity to both learn more about the past and combine practical experience with the knowledge from my coursework.



Calendar of Exhibitions

March 1 - June 1, 2021



SHIKAKU - Sight, Vision (Virtual Exhibit)

A Joint Exhibit of the JCCC Art Committee and the Toronto Japanese Garden Club

A virtual exhibition of proposals for public art and Japanese gardens at the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre (JCCC) January to April 2021. Photographs, drawings and written text describing the current and future vision of JCCC public art and gardens. An exhibition of hope and positive vision during the winter months approaching Spring 2021.

To access the virtual exhibition, click here. Listen to John Ota explore the question: What is a Japanese Garden? on JCCC's new podcast, All Things Japanese with John Ota.

February 23, 2021 - Ongoing



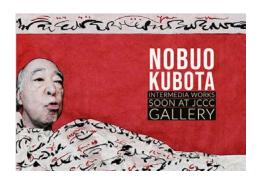
Maru: Immigration Stories (Virtual)

A condensed version of our upcoming physical exhibit Maru: Immigration Stories in the JCCC's Moriyama Nikkei Heritage Centre will be available virtually.

The JCCC has partnered with Google Arts & Culture, a non-profit initiative that works with cultural institutions and artists around the world to make Maru: Immigration Stories accessible to anyone, anywhere.

To visit the virtual exhibit, click here.

Ongoing



The Intermedia Work of Nobuo Kubota

A JCCC Art Gallery Virtual Exhibition

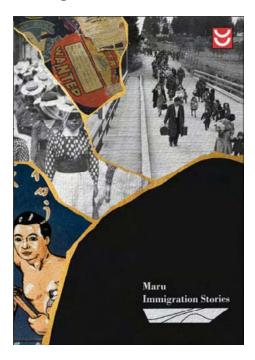
Nobuo Kubota's work often combines sound, music, installation and film, a practice that he labels 'Intermedia'.

He received the Governor General's Award for the arts in 2009. His work is held in numerous collections including the National Gallery of Canada and the Art Gallery of Ontario. He is also a member of the Royal Canadian Academy of the Arts.

This exhibition features some of Nobuo's Intermedia work, exploring textual marks and phonic sounds.

To access the virtual exhibition, click **here**.

Coming soon



Maru: Immigration Stories

Moriyama Nikkei Heritage Centre

The Japanese Diaspora in the Americas has over 150 years of history. Possessing only ambition, they sailed to lands far away including Canada, USA, Hawaii, Peru, and Brazil. Today, millions of people of Japanese ancestry live in different countries around the world. Although disconnected from each other for decades, they now commonly identify as Nikkei. This rebirth of discovering a common history, culture, and memories transcends borders. It is a coming together that allows you to explore stories from various Nikkei communities in this exhibit at the Moriyama Nikkei Heritage Centre (MNHC).

Coming May 2021



Broken Promises

Grounded in research from Landscapes of Injustice – a 7-year multi-disciplinary, multi-institutional, community engaged project, this exhibit explores the dispossession of Japanese Canadians in the 1940s.

It illuminates the loss of home and the struggle for justice of one racially marginalized community. The story unfolds by following seven narrators. Learn about life for Japanese Canadians in Canada before war, the administration of their lives during and after war ends, and how legacies of dispossession continue to this day.

Good News! Shikaku Exhibit! Podcast!

Spring is here and we invite you to visit the online exhibition, Shikaku – sight, vision: a virtual exhibition of proposals for public art & Japanese gardens. To visit, click <u>here.</u>

A joint project of the JCCC Art Committee and the Toronto Japanese Garden Club, the exhibit describes the history of Japanese gardens, the gardens at the JCCC, a vision of public art and a proposal for a Peace Arch of 1,000 origami cranes by Eiri Ota of UUfie Architect.

In addition, we invite you to listen to the new JCCC Podcast on Japanese Gardens with James Heron, Irene Foulkes, Jiro Fukushima & John Ota that compliments the Shikaku exhibit. 春を楽しもう! Haru wo tanoshimou! (Let's enjoy Spring) To listen, click here.



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Please consider supporting the <u>JCCC Emergency Appeal</u>. We know these are tough times for everyone so we welcome any donation.

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Contributions will go towards the sustainment of the JCCC despite the temporary closure of the building. All donations help ensure that we will have the ability to execute all of our programs and events once our facility reopens. We very much look forward to welcoming you back to the Centre. Thank you.

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JCCC Volunteer News

Volunteer Spotlight

In this space, we will be shining a "spotlight" on one of our many dedicated JCCC volunteers.

Meet Betty Tse



How long have you been a volunteer here at the JCCC? I have been volunteering at the JCCC on a regular basis for the past 5 years.

How did you get involved with volunteering at the JCCC?

My husband has been practicing martial arts at the centre for more than 10 years so this is how I was introduced to the JCCC.

Under the referral of my sister-in-law who has also volunteered at the JCCC, I started volunteering as well.

What type of volunteer work have you done?

I assisted in the preparation work for various annual events and festivals at the JCCC and have been involved in the updating and managing of the volunteer database.

JCCC Moving to a Better Volunteer Management System ボランティアデータベースソフトウェア『VolunteerHub』導入

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<u>To Our Existing Volunteers – Let's Hop Onto JCCC's NEW VolunteerHub Database</u>

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Interested in Volunteering?

In consideration of everyone's health and safety, onsite volunteer activities and recruitment will not resume until the JCCC facility reopens. Occasional volunteer opportunities that arise will be posted in our monthly newsletter, as well as on JCCC's social media channels. Please check for any upcoming opportunities.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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認知症とは...

認知症は誰もがなりうる身近な病気です。85歳以上では4人に1人と言われています。ですから、私も夫も近い将来には避けられない課題と考え、遺言書など様々な準備を日本と当地で行いました。悲しいかな、もの忘れは若い頃に比べるとやはり多くなりましたね。何か用事があって寝室へ行ったはずなのに、途中で別の事を始めてしまうと結局「え~と何しに来たんだっけ?」と言った見合に。また、言葉(単語)が出ずに「あの、その」とついつい言ってしまうことも(笑)。最近は英語のみならず日本語さえもそうなのですから、母語でない土地で暮らすシニアの大変さが増してくるかもしれません…。

加齢によるもの忘れは体験の一部を忘れ、ヒントがあれば思い出すことができます。認知症の場合は体験の全部を忘れ、ヒントがあっても思い出せないのが特徴です。前者では「昨夜の夕食に何を食べた?」と訊かれた時、メニュー全てを答えられなかったとしても食事したことは覚えています。ところが、認知症では食べたことさえ思い出せなくなります。

専門用語を用いての少々難しい説明になりますが、認知症の多様な症状を理解していただければ幸いです。

認知症とは、脳に老廃物が蓄積、あるいは 損傷を受けて記憶力や判断力が低下し、日 常生活に様々な支障が生じる状態をいいま す。認知症はいくつかの種類に分けられ、最 も多いのはアルツハイマー型認知症です。 不要なたんぱく質(アミロイド β 、リン酸化タ ウ)が発症の20年ほど前から脳に溜まり始 め、次第に神経細胞が壊されて脳が委縮し ていくのです。次いで多いのは、脳卒中が原 因で神経細胞がダメージを受けたことによ り生じる血管性認知症です。

最近は、知人から「家族がレビー小体型認知症と診断された」と聞くようになりました。 脳の中に変異したたんぱく質(レビー小体)が現れ、神経細胞が壊されて起こる認知症です。最も特徴的な症状は幻視。人、動物や虫などが見えると訴えます。病気の解明がまだ十分ではなく、アルツハイマー型やうつ病と診断される場合もあります。

稀ですが「前頭側頭型認知症」があります。文字が示すように、脳の前頭葉や側頭葉を中心に委縮が起こります。他の認知症に比べると、比較的若くして発症する傾向がみられます。前頭葉には社会に適応できるように本能を抑制する働き、側頭葉には言語を理解する働きがあります。それらが障害される

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ことにより周囲に身勝手と思われるような言動、同じことを繰り返す常同行動、言葉が出にくいなどの症状が現れます。"もの忘れが軽いこと"が特徴であり、そのために認知症と気づかれない場合があります。

認知症の症状は中核症状と周辺症状の2つに分けられます。中核症状は脳の障害によって生じるので、障害の程度は異なるものの認知症の誰にでも現れます。代表的なものが記憶障害(もの忘れ)です。料理や買い物などが出来なくなる実行機能障害、時間や場所がわからなくなる見当識(けんとうしき)障害、着替える・道具を使うといった慣れ親しんだことができなくなる失行(しっこう)、飲み込む・歩くなどが難しくなる運動機能害、何を話しているのか理解できなくなる言語障害、視力に問題がないのに見えているものを認識できなくなる失認(しつにん)や判断力障害などが現れます。

もし、私(あなた)が上記のような変化に 遭遇することになったら…と思うだけでも、 戸惑い、苛立たしさや不安の中に放り出さ れる怖さが押し寄せます!脳を病むのは、心 臓、肝臓や腎臓などの臓器を病むのと同様 に誰にも身近な病気です。決して他人ごとで はありません!

さて、周辺症状は脳の障害が原因ではないので、誰にでも起こるとは言えません。暴言・暴力、徘徊(はいかい)、幻覚・妄想、不安・うつ状態、食べ物以外の物を食べようとする異食・過食、不潔行為、多弁・多動など様々です。病気への不安、周囲に理解してもらえない辛さ、性格や環境などが影響して現れます。ですから、それらの対応には周りの人々の認知症に対する正しい認識がとても重要になります。

認知症はいったん発症すると元に戻すことは困難です。しかし、基礎および臨床研究が進展しており、予防する方法が明らかになってきました。認知症リスクが高まるのはまず生活習慣病!糖尿病、高血圧や脂質素症などがうまくコントロールされないと、アロイドβが増加しやすくなります。特に、糖尿病ではリスクが高まります。生活習慣病的動脈硬化を促進し、脳血管障害リスクを高あるのは周知のことです。また、睡眠中に不要なたはぱく質が脳から排泄されるメカニズムが解明され、睡眠の重要性がわかってきました!蓄積期間から考えると、30代からは要注意です。

少し息が上がる程度の有酸素運動をやり ながら、脳を働かせる運動(計算やしりとり

英子の認知症対策

- 1. まずバランス良い食生活と腹八分目
- 2. 適切な睡眠
- 3. 身体と脳の同時トレーニング
 - ・一段昇降/メチャクチャ踊り と同時に 計算/しりとり等
- 4. 新しい分野 (事) にチャレンジ
- ・読書: 慣れ親しんでいないジャンル
- ・歌と舞踊:新曲レッスン/振り付け
- ・ピアノ:新曲レッスン/オリジナル曲創作
- ・執筆:エッセイの編集と出版
- 5. 身の周りの整理(終括/終活)
 - ・遺言書作成
 - ・重要事項の記録
 - ・物品の断捨離
 - 『 桜色 あふれる季節 あと何度

歩けるのでしょう いとしき君と 』

等)を同時に行うと効果的であることがわかってきました。脳の血流量アップと活性化によって認知機能の低下が抑えられる、と考えられています。また、継続的に運動する人はしない人に比べて脳の委縮が進みにくいこともわかってきました。コロナ禍が収束して仲間と運動できれば、予防にとって重要とされる"人とのコミュニケーション"も実践できますね!

今、私の脳にはどのくらい不要なたんぱく質が溜まっているのでしょう!?現状を悪化させないために、一段昇降やめちゃくちゃ踊りをしながら計算、しりとり、名称(名前)遊びをやっています。これまでに読んだ小説とその作家、歌謡曲や童謡、世界の国々や都市、動物や植物など…その日の課題を与えると、頭をフル回転どころかフルフル回転させねばならず、眠っている脳細胞が大いに目覚めます(大笑)。

また、じっくり考える作業も大事です。クロ スパズル、俳句・短歌、囲碁・将棋・チェス、執 筆などは大いに脳を使います。できれば、慣 れ親しんだ事よりも新しい分野(事)に挑戦 すれば、もっと脳に刺激を与えることができ ます。例えば、新しい歌を覚えるのは年齢と 共に難しくなります。何回ほど唄えば、あなた は楽譜無しで最後まで唄えるようになります か?私は認知症対策として常に意識し、努力 しています。歌の世界への想像力や集中力 をものすごく要求されます。覚えるまでの回 数(時間)を同世代と勝負したら、負けない 自信がありま~す。慣れ親しんだ歌もいいで すが、是非に楽譜や映像に頼らずに新曲を 唄ってみてください。1つの例に過ぎません が...小さな努力がとても大切です!

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Wednesday April 28 at 3-4pm 4月28日(水) 3-4時



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Wednesday April 7 at 10:30am-noon

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4月21日(水) 10時半-正午

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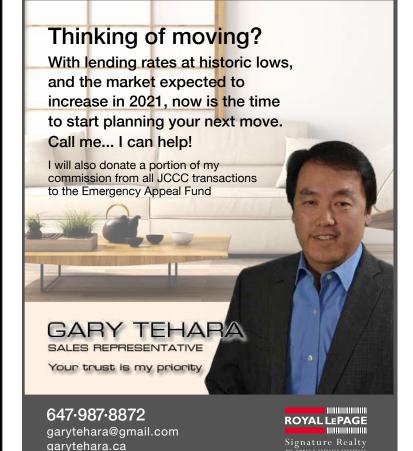
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