

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Week : JAPAN WEEK EVENTS (December 12<sup>th</sup> )

### JAPANESE LANGUAGE WORKSHOP & SEMINAR

**Japanese Language Workshop for Teachers** - A Japanese language online learning material "Minato", which was developed by the Japan Foundation, will be introduced during the workshop. The participants will learn the contents of different courses available on Minato and how to use them for their teaching. In addition, the participants will have an opportunity to exchange their ideas on teaching method with the lecturer as well as with other participants.



**Japanese Language Seminar for Students** - Students will learn different online learning resources by the Japan Foundation, ways to use them effectively for their

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Week : JAPAN WEEK EVENTS (December 19<sup>th</sup> )

### BOOK LAUNCH AND COMMEMORATIVE SEMINAR

JOCV will conduct a programme in Bhutan to celebrate 30 years of friendship ~ Book launch and Commemorative Seminar.



Date	Time	Events
<b>1st Week</b>		
<b>2nd (Sun)</b>		<u>Opening Ceremony of JAPAN WEEKS at Clock Tower, Thimphu (Public Event)</u>
	13:00	*Part 1: Sports Exchange (Japanese Martial Arts)
	14:20	*Part 2: Japanese Song Presentation
	14:35 PM	*Part 3 Performing Arts of Japan National Day Reception (by invitation)
<b>3rd (Mon)</b>	08:30	Bhutan HPE Symposium at Paro College of Education (by invitation)
	11:30	Performance by HAYATE at The Royal Academy in Paro (by invitation)
	15:00	Film show: Screening of Japanese Film: Osaka Hamlet at City Cinema, Thimphu (public event)
<b>4th (Tue)</b>	15:00	Film show: Screening of Japanese Short Film: Kurara: The dazzling life of Hokusai's daughter at City Cinema, Thimphu (public event)
<b>2nd Week</b>		
<b>12th (Wed)</b>	10:00	Japanese Language Workshop for Teachers (by invitation)
	13:00	Japanese Language Seminar for Students (by invitation)
<b>3rd Week</b>		
<b>19th (Wed)</b>	09:30	JOCV Programme in Bhutan: Celebrating 30 Years of Friendship ~ Book Launch and Commemorative Seminar (by invitation)

Updated event information of Japan Week 2018 will be posted on the website of the Embassy of Japan: <http://www.in.emb-japan.go.jp/jointad/bt/en/index.html>  
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# JAPAN WEEKS in Bhutan December 2018



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## 1<sup>st</sup> Week : OPENING CEREMONY OF JAPAN WEEKS IN BHUTAN at Clock Tower (2<sup>nd</sup> December, 13:00 ~)

### Part I : SPORTS EXCHANGE (Japanese Martial Arts ) (13:00-14:15)

#### The Signing Ceremony of the Grant Contract(G/C) for "The Project for Judojo Construction"

Representatives of Embassy of Japan and the Bhutan Judo Association will sign the Grant Contract (G/C) for "The Project for Judojo Construction" in Thimphu, Bhutan.

#### Judo Demonstration by Bhutan Judo Association

The Bhutan Judo Association (BJA) was established in 2010. The BJA is affiliated with the Bhutan Olympic Committee and is a member of the Judo Union of Asia (JUA) and the International Judo Federation (IJF). All are welcome to join the BJA. Members train under a Japanese coach through JICA. The BJA hosts the national Judo team which represented Bhutan at the South Asian Games in 2016 and many other international events. In 2019 the BJA will also represent Bhutan at the South Asian Games. Judo is a safe martial art that promotes self-discipline.



#### Karate Demonstration by Bhutan Karate Association

Bhutan Karate Association got its affiliation from World Karate Federation and Bhutan Olympic Committee in the year 2015 and affiliation from Asian Karate Federation in 2017. It currently has nine (9) affiliate Karate associations and thirty two (32) Karate clubs and more than 10,000 participants. It hosts national and international karate championships and participates in various official and invitational games, such as, 3rd South Asian Karate Championship 2016 in India and WKF Karate 1 series A in Okinawa, Japan in year 2017.



#### Kendo Demonstration by JICA, JOCV and Ex-JOCV

Members of JICA, JOCV and Ex-JOCV will conduct a demonstration of Kendo (Japanese sword-fighting martial arts).



### Part II : JAPANESE SONG PRESENTATION (14:20-14:30)

Students from Pelkhil School will sing and perform with musical instruments a song from Okinawa 'NADA SOU SOU'. This song is covered by Bhutanese singer group called 'Ostrangers' and is very popular among Bhutanese youth. One beautiful song from Okinawa is connecting two countries. Let's enjoy the long friendship between Japan and Bhutan with this song!"

### Part III : PERFORMING ARTS OF JAPAN (14:35-14:55)

#### 'Tsugaru Shamisen' by HAYATE

HAYATE is a group of 11 young, first-rate Tsugaru shamisen a Japanese traditional three-stringed musical instrument which is similar to a guitar) performers. HAYATE is produced by Kenichi Yoshida from The Yoshida Brothers, one of the most renowned Tsugaru shamisen artists in Japan.

Their lively and unique performances at "REVALUE NIPPON PROJECT CHARITY GALA 2013 with GUCCI" and "RED BULL X-FIGHTERS OSAKA 2013", among others, were highly appreciated. They continue to promote the charm of Tsugaru shamisen, both within Japan as well as overseas.

At the Japan Weeks in Bhutan this year, three performers from HAYATE, namely, MICHIAKI SHIRATA, KOJI NAGAMURA, and TAICHI HIKIDA, will perform.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Week : JAPAN WEEK EVENTS (December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> )

### BHUTAN HPE SYMPOSIUM at Paro College Of Education (3rd Dec.)

JICA/JOVC will conduct Bhutan HPE Symposium at Paro College of Education. On this occasion they will also demonstrate and practice Kendo.

### PERFORMANCE BY HAYATE at The Royal Academy In Paro (3rd Dec.)

Japanese traditional music performance by HAYATE at The Royal Academy, Paro.

## SCREENING OF JAPANESE FILMS (December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> )

Embassy of Japan & NHK World will showcase one short film and one feature film to introduce Japanese culture and society through these films. The films will be screened on 3rd and 4th December 2018 at 15:00 at City Cinema, Thimphu.

#### FEATURE FILM

##### Osaka Hamlet

Dir: Fujirou Mitsuishi

2008 / Vista / 107min /

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Middle school punk kid Yukio was confused. Soon after his father died, his clumsy uncle Takanori showed up unexpectedly at their house, and strangely, Yukio's mother Fusako welcomed him to their family as if he was her husband. Since then, everything started getting strange... One day at school, Yukio's teacher told him that he resembles Shakespeare's Hamlet, making him wonder why. His older brother Masashi, instead of preparing for his high school entrance exam, spent all his time with his 8 year older girlfriend. His younger brother Hiroki told his classmates that he wants to be a girl, and decided to play the part of Cinderella at the school play. With all the strange things happening around them, they start to find their answers and the preciousness of life.



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#### SHORT FILM

**NHK WORLD**  
JAPAN

##### Kurara: The dazzling life of Hokusai's daughter

Duration : 1.15min

The act of painting was always kurara to O-Ei, the daughter of the Edo period master painter Katsushika Hokusai. Since her childhood, she was captivated by painting. O-Ei marries a town painter, but she soon chooses art over marriage and divorces him. Once she returns to the family home, she begins assisting her father. O-Ei is by his side as he completes his iconic 'Thirty-six Views of Mount Fuji' series. When Hokusai grew too old to wield his brush freely, O-Ei becomes his "brush" and paints on his behalf. It's during this time that she starts to grow a strong fascination with colors as she finally develops her own painting style.

