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- Kagoshima Autumn Night Fireworks Festival is confirmed! (From the website of Kagoshima City) ●

This year's Fireworks Festival will be held at the start of the consecutive days of the 70th Ohara Festival, and will consist of a shortened launch duration and dispersed launch sites to about 20 locations within the city as part of the preventive measures against the spread of the new coronavirus.

The purpose of this event is to cheer up the residents of the city and fans of Kagoshima from all over Japan, and also to liven up the sightseeing city of Kagoshima amidst the various difficulties caused by the coronavirus.

Name: Kagoshima Autumn Night Fireworks Festival

Date & Time: 2 November 2021 (Tuesday), about 20 minutes

Location: Around 20 places within the entire Kagoshima City

More details such as the time and locations will be informed again.

There is a possibility of event cancellation depending on the status of the novel coronavirus.

It will also not be possible to enter the launch site as it is a fireworks protected zone.



o Coordinator for International Relations (CIR) Column o

- A place for Japan-Korea exchange: “The Rumoured Bookstore” ●
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In order to vitalize exchanges between Japan and South Korea, Jeollabuk-do (North Jeolla Province) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs will jointly host a project titled “The Rumoured Bookstore” (“Uwasa no Honya”). Upon looking at this name, many might be wondering; what does this title mean?

“The Rumoured Bookstore” refers to a project which took its name from a book jointly written by both Japan and South Korea, and this project can be said to be the site of Japan-Korea exchange. The contents of the project will include the following: “A Silent Voice” (Japan-Korea Joint Online concert), “About Extraordinary Stories on Food” (Cuisine Exchange), “Two Artisans from our Town” (Experience of Traditional Crafts), and “Your Name” (SNS Photo Contest).

On 30 September, “Two Artisans from our Town” (Experience of Traditional Crafts) was held at the Jeollabuk-do Center for International Affairs and about 60 participants participated in the online lecture via Zoom. The target audience were local public servants and staffs of each institution who are involved in international exchange, and hence I also participated as a member of Kagoshima International Association.

On that day, we made what was known as a “Potato Coaster”. Even though the name mentioned “Potato”, this is actually a reference to “Moshi (모시)” which is a fabric used for making traditional Korean summer clothing.

“Moshi”, also known as dragonfly’s wings, is thin enough to see through. It is renowned as a high-grade fabric because of its airy properties and ability to absorb sweat without retaining heat. For this reason, it has been used as gifts to the throne since antiquity.

After about an hour of handicraft work, the latter half of the lecture was given over to discussions about the various kinds of international exchange that each local government has in development.

Even in this situation where mutual visits are difficult, I was very impressed by the fact that Japan and the ROK are promoting exchanges via online means.

It was a very meaningful experience for me to learn so much from people from all over the world who are contributing to the globalization of grassroots activities at the local level. I would love to have another opportunity next time!

○ The A-Z of Kagoshima's International Relations ○

● Activity Report of Kagoshima International Exchange Center ●

The Kagoshima International Exchange Center is a public facility established to provide residential facilities for foreign exchange students and researchers, along with the promotion of exchanges between the students and between the students and prefectural residents. In addition, it also aims to develop human resources who contribute to the international community and to encourage international mutual understanding. This facility is managed by the Kagoshima International Exchange Promotion Agency.

Currently, this center is being used by international students from five countries including China, Vietnam, Brazil, Malaysia, Sri Lanka, and also the Japanese students who are supporting them. Due to the coronavirus, the number of users is still small and we have not been able to carry out exchange activities as originally intended. However, we are slowly expanding it to the best of our abilities.

We would like to introduce the two recent exchanges that we had.

- ① Exchange Program at Kokubu Elementary School "Global Village"
- Date & Time: 9 October (Saturday) 8:15~11:15
 - Target: 302 elementary school students from Grades 5 & 6
 - Contents: Introduction of China by Chinese international students
Introduction of Kagoshima International Exchange Center by Japanese students (Resident Assistants)



- ② Welcome Party for new tenants
- Date & Time: 16 October (Saturday) 17:30~19:00
 - Participants: 19 users of the Kagoshima International Exchange Center (11 foreigners, 8

Resident Assistants)

- Contents: Self-introduction, games (Picture-based Shiritori, Epicenter Game)



*The center is currently recruiting new users (residents). Please refer to the homepage for more details.

Kagoshima International Exchange Center

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○ Seasonal Tourism Information ○

● **【Limited Time】** Bicycle Tour Project (Minamisatsuma City) ●

Cycle City Minamisatsuma and Hooh High School has collaborated and brought to us a limited time tour project: Halloween Cycling!

This is an exciting hands-on activity that combines the popular “puzzle-solving” genre and cycling. In the spirit of Halloween, there will also be gifts of assorted sweets and coupons which can be used at supporting stores.

Why don't you take this opportunity to enjoy a cycling experience which will involve both your mind and body at Minamisatsuma?

Address	1952 -2 Kaseda Takabashi, Minamisatsuma-shi
Tel	0993-53-8739 (Cycling Terminal RinRin)
Event Duration	10 October 2021 (Sunday) ~ 30 November 2021 (Tuesday)
Opening Hours	9:00 ~ 17:00
Location	Cycling Terminal RinRin
Fee	Admission Fee: 200yen Rental Cycle users will need to pay an additional fee (~200yen)
Access	[Car] • Approximately 50 minutes from JR Kagoshima-Chuo Station • Approximately 70 minutes from Kagoshima Airport [Bus] • Take a bus from Chuo Station and alight at the last stop “Kaseda”. From there, take another bus and alight at the stop “Satsunan Byoin Mae”

Parking Facilities	Available (50 spaces) Bus parking is also available
Website	https://kanko-minamisatsuma.jp/event/13755/



Website of Kagoshima Prefectural Government

<http://www.pref.kagoshima.jp/>



Editor's Note (International Affairs Division, Kagoshima Prefectural Government)

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How did you find this month's edition of Kagoshima Southern Wind Tidings?

We as editors will continue to strive to have this prefectural multilingual newsletter be a bridge of information that connects Kagoshima with everyone.

▽ Do you know what this photo is about?

...actually, I ordered a "Black Tonkatsu" at a Kurobuta (Black Pork) speciality shop in Tenmonkan, Kagoshima and the exterior of the meat is said to be coated with a mixture of black sesame seeds and bamboo charcoal. It looks a little shocking, but contrary to its appearance there was no peculiar flavour and I savoured its refreshing and delicious taste with some lemon and salt.



「Kagoshima Southern Wind Tiding's bulletin board」 is looking for the following content:

【Kagoshima Photo Gallery】

We would like to invite you to send us photos that remind you of Kagoshima, or photos of Kagoshima that you might have seen overseas. Please also attach a brief description along with the photo. (e.g. a mountain of volcanic-ash bags)

【Knowledge about living in Kagoshima】

Please share with us information related to life in Kagoshima. (e.g. delicious ways to enjoy fried fish cakes, or how to deal with volcanic ash.)

We also welcome any other information that you would like to share with our readers.

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