## 2017 Japan-America Society of Georgia Events Calendar

January	February	March
<ul> <li>1/11: Tomodachi Club Luncheon "Peace and Education in Hiroshima"</li> <li>1/23-1/24: Japanese Folk Music Workshop Series Hiroya Tsukamoto</li> <li>1/28: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2/5: New Year's "Nabe" Dinner Party</li> <li>2/8-2/21: Obirin Global Business         Study Abroad Program</li> <li>2/18: APCC JA Finalist Mixer</li> <li>2/18: Atlanta Gladiators Sar Wars         Night Ice Hockey Group Outing</li> <li>2/21: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Taka Sushi)</li> <li>2/25: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3/1-7/1: Obirin Business Management Global Outreach Program</li> <li>3/1: Tomodachi Club Luncheon "A Bird in the Hand"</li> <li>3/2: US-JPN Legal Systems Seminar</li> <li>3/4: Japan Academic Challenge &amp; Japanese Speech Contest</li> <li>3/7: US-Japan Now: Womenomics</li> <li>3/14: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Iron Age)</li> <li>3/25: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> <li>3/30: Memories of Heart Mountain</li> </ul>
April	May	June
<ul> <li>4/11: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Smoke Ring)</li> <li>4/13: JASG/FACC Networking Mixer</li> <li>4/19: US-Japan Relations during the Trump Presidency</li> <li>4/29: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> <li>4/30: Atlanta International Jazz Day Concert Featuring Senri Oe</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5/3: Tomodachi Club Luncheon "The Beauty of Flowers"</li> <li>5/5: Japanese FX Seminar</li> <li>5/9: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Wagaya)</li> <li>5/12: Executive Roundtable Breakfast</li> <li>5/27: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>6/8: Annual Dinner Gala</li> <li>6/13: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Jinya Ramen)</li> <li>6/21: Intercultural Mgmt. Luncheon</li> <li>6/24: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> <li>6/26-7/3: Japan-America Grassroots Summit in Nara, Japan</li> </ul>
July	August	September
<ul> <li>7/11: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Gin-ya)</li> <li>7/14-7/26: APCC Invitation Project</li> <li>7/29: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>8/8: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Café Bombay)</li> <li>8/24: Annual Membership Meeting</li> <li>8/26: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> <li>TBD: Obirin Business Mgmt Global Outreach Study Abroad Program</li> <li>TBD: Obirin Sports Business Study Abroad Program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>9/12: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Haru-Ichiban)</li> <li>9/16-9/17: JapanFest 2017</li> <li>9/30: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> </ul>
October	November	December
o 10/10: Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Tofu House) o 10/28: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting o TBD: YP Halloween Party	o <u>11/14</u> : Kayobi-Kai Dinner (Hot Pot) o <u>11/25</u> : Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting	<ul> <li>12/12: Kayobi-Kai &amp; Holiday Party</li> <li>12/16: Nihongo/Eigo-Kai Meeting</li> <li>TBD: Bonenkai Holiday Gala</li> <li>TBD: YP Holiday Party</li> </ul>



## Japan-America Society of Georgia 2017 Events & Programs Calendar

Listed below are events presented by the JASG. For additional information, please visit www.jasgeorgia.org.

January 11 (Wed)	<u>Tomodachi Club "Peace and Education in Hiroshima"</u> : Tomodachi Club members and guests gather together at Georgian Club at Cobb Galleria for its January Large Group Meeting and a special presentation about peace and education in Hiroshima by Tomodachi Club member Lilian Bryan.
January 23-24	<u>Japanese Folk Music Workshop Series</u> : Composer, guitarist, singer-songwriter, Hiroya Tsukamoto from Kyoto, Japan, visits Atlanta to present a series of interactive workshops about the history and regional traits of Japanese folk music at Northwestern Middle School, Roswell High School, Kennesaw State University, Elkins Pointe Middle School, and Milton High School.
January 25 - March 18	<u>Winter Business Japanese Classes</u> : A variety of levels of Japanese language classes are offered. Classes meet for two hours, one evening per week, for a total of eight weeks.
January 28 (Sat)	<u>Nihongo-Eigo-Kai</u> : Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
February 5 (Sun)	<b>2017 New Year's "Nabe" Party</b> : Celebrate the New Year at Nakato Japanese Restaurant to kick off 2017 and Year of the Monkey while enjoying a special sukiyaki or shabu shabu set dinner with JASG members and friends.
February 8-21	Oberlin Global Business Program: The JASG welcomes students from Obirin University in Japan for a 2 week study abroad program where students visit various Japanese and U.S. companies and learn how they operate in today's global economy.
February 18 (Sat)	APCC Junior Ambassador Finalist Mixer: The JASG invites Junior Ambassador finalists for the 2016 Asian Pacific Children Convention for an afternoon of group activities, games, information session, and interviews. The mixer will allow the APCC Selection Committee to determine the final 4 Junior Ambassadors who will be invited to travel to Fukuoka, Japan for a 2-week exchange program.
February 18 (Sat)	Atlanta Gladiators Sar Wars Night Ice Hockey Group Outing: Join the JASG in supporting the Atlanta Gladiators minor league ice hockey game versus the Adirondack Thunder! Celebrate Star Wars Night and come dressed as your favorite character, be part of various in-game promotions and photo opportunities.
February 21 (Tues)	<u>February Kayobi-Kai Dinner</u> : JASG members and friends gather together at Stone Grille for its monthly dinner meeting to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Korean cuisine. (Delayed one week due to Valentine's Day)
February 25 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
March 1 (Wed)	Tomodachi Club Event: A Bird in the Hand": Tomodachi Club members and guests gather together for an Atlanta Audubon Society presentation on how to identify common birds in the Atlanta area and recognize their calls at Aldo's Italian Restaurant in Sandy Springs

March 1-July 1	Oberlin Global Outreach Program: The JASG welcomes students from Obirin University in Japan for a 16-week study abroad program where students study English while visiting and learning how various Japanese and U.S. companies operate in today's global economy.
March 2 (Thurs)	<u>Difference in US &amp; Japanese Legal Systems</u> : The JASG partners with Georgia Asian-Pacific American Bar Association (GAPABA) to present a talk by Judge Takashi Usukura who will provide an overview of the Japanese court system, and compare and contrast it with the U.S. legal systems.
March 4 (Sat)	Japan Academic Challenge & Japanese Speech Contest: Held at Mercer University this year, high school students compete in the Japan Academic Challenge and university students compete in the Japanese Speech Contest to showcase their knowledge about Japan and Japanese language skills.
March 7 (Tues)	<u>US-Japan Now: Womenomics</u> : The JASG partners with the National Association of Japan-America Societies, the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, and the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta to present a business luncheon event to offer insights from top economic experts about the current and future economic outlook in the U.S. and Japan, and how each country is promoting more business advancement opportunities in the workplace.
March 14 (Tues)	March Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members and friends gather together at Tokyo Shokudo for its monthly dinner meeting to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Japanese cuisine.
March 25-31	APCC Mission Project: As Georgia's liaison office for the Annual Asian-Pacific Children's Convention (APCC), the JASG helps to host K-12 students from Fukuoka, Atlanta's Sister City in Japan for a 1-week exchange program to promote peace, friendship, and understanding.
March 25 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
March 30 (Thurs)	Memories of Heart Mountain: The JASG partners with Georgia State University Perimeter College Dunwoody Campus to kick-off the school's Japan Week to discuss mass imprisonment in the U.S. Internment Camp survivor Sam Mihara discusses his experience in a World Ward II internment camp in Wyoming and shares his insights on why only Japanese Americans were interned, the camp's daily conditions, what happened during and after his release from the camp, and lessons to be learned.
April 11 (Tues)	April Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members and friends gather together at Folks Restaurant for its monthly dinner meeting to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Southern cuisine.
April 13 (Thurs)	JASG/FACC Networking Mixer: The JASG and the French American Chamber of Commerce host a networking event at Hotel Indigo Vinings where members from both organizations gather together for an evening of Japanese beer and sake, French wine, and foods from both cultures.
April 19 (Wed)	<b>US-Japan Relations During the Trump Presidency</b> : The JASG and the Georgia Tech East Asia Program partner together to host a speaker panel program outlining the future outlook of US-Japan relations during the Trump Presidency. The program features Georgia Tech's Brian Woodall, US State Department's Joseph Young, and Fisher Broyle's Masae Okura, who will talk about anticipated changes in trade, policy, and immigration between the 2 countries.
April 29 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.

April 30 (Sun)	Atlanta International Jazz Day Concert Featuring Senri Oe: The JASG and the Atlanta Jazz Festival welcomes renowned Japanese jazz musician, Senri Oe, to Atlanta for the 40th Annual Atlanta International Jazz Day Concert at Chastain Amphitheatre.
May 3 (Wed)	Tomodachi Club Event "The Beauty of Flowers": Tomodachi Club members and guests gather together for a special presentation and Ikebana demonstration by Elaine Jo of the Ichiyo Ikebana School at Nakato Restaurant
May 5 (Fri)	J.P. Morgan FX Seminar: Join the JASG, JCCG, Consulate General of Japan and J.P. Morgan for a seminar on foreign exchange outlook, particularly between the dollar and yen. Networking Reception follows a presentation by Tohru Sasaki, Head of Japan Rates & FX Research for J.P. Morgan Japan.
May 9 (Tue)	<u>May Kayobi-Kai Dinner</u> : JASG members and friends gather together Wagaya for its monthly dinner meeting to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Japanese cuisine.
May 12 (Fri)	<b>Executive Roundtable Breakfast</b> : The JASG presents an Executive Roundtable Breakfast Series exclusively for executives to better manage challenges and find effective and innovative solutions to improve business operations within their specific industries. The May meeting features intercultural business management between Americans and Japanese.
May 27 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
June 8 (Thu)	Annual Dinner Gala & Silent Auction: As part of the Society's summer tradition, the JASG celebrates its anniversary at its 37th Annual Dinner. The Annual Dinner is a unique occasion when a diverse representation of members of the community, including many top Japanese and American business and community leaders, gather together in one place for a time of celebration and enjoyment.
June 13 (Tue)	June Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members and friends gather together at Waikikie for its monthly dinner meeting to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Hawaiian cuisine.
June 21 (Wed)	Intercultural Mgmt. Luncheon: Learn more about ways businesses can better manage cultural differences and business practices among Japanese and American employees and clients. The program features insights from a cross cultural management consultant and panel discussion.
June 24 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
June 26-July 3	Japan-America Grassroots Summit in Nara, Japan: Nara hosts visitors from the U.S. for this annual large-scale meeting of Japanese and American citizens, held alternately in Japan and America. The summit aims to strengthen the peaceful relationship by fostering grassroots friendships through a 1-week exchange program for all ages. The program includes tourist activities in the host city for 3 days and live with host families and do community activities in the surrounding host communities for 3 days.
July 11 (Tue)	July Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members and friends gather together at Shoya/Ginya for its monthly dinner meeting to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Japanese cuisine.

July 14-26	Asian Pacific Children's Convention: As Georgia's liaison office for the 28th Annual Asian-Pacific Children's Convention (APCC), the JASG is again able to share a once in a lifetime opportunity with 4 elementary school students (two boys and two girls) and 1 chaperone from the State of Georgia through this fully funded exchange program to Fukuoka, Japan (Atlanta's Sister City).
July 29 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
August 8 (Tue)	August Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members gather together at Bombay Café for its monthly Kayobi-Kai dinner to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Indian cuisine.
August TBD	Obirin University Sports Business Program: The JASG welcomes students from Obirin University in Japan for a 2-week study abroad program where students visit various athletic facilities and professional sports teams and learn how the sports industry operates in the U.S.
August TBD	Obirin University Global Outreach Program: The JASG welcomes students from Obirin University in Japan for a 16-week study abroad program where students study English while visiting and learning how various Japanese and U.S. companies operate in today's global economy.
August 24 (Thu)	Annual Membership Meeting: JASG members gather for a recap of the Society's activities over the past year and a look ahead to the exciting year come. New Officers and Board of Directors are also voted in for 2 year terms.
August 26 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
September 12 (Tue)	September Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members gather together at Bombay Café for its monthly Kayobi-Kai dinner to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Indian cuisine.
September 16-17 (Sat & Sun)	<u>JapanFest 2017</u> : Held at the Infinite Energy Center in Duluth, JapanFest is the largest Japanese festival in the Southeast drawing over 20,000 attendees each year. JapanFest features the best in dance and music performances, learning the intricate maneuvers of Japanese martial arts, tasting various Japanese cuisines, visiting the many different cultural exhibitions, expositions of Japanese companies in Georgia, and much more. Tickets are \$10 and free for children 6 and under.
September 30 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Come join language learners as we enjoy a conversation on a different topic every month, half in Japanese and half in English. We focus on vocabulary, communication, helping each other out with grammar, and accent reduction.
October 10 (Tues)	October Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members gather together at La Madeleine for its monthly Kayobi-Kai dinner to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying French cuisine.
October 28 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Join language learners to enjoy conversation on a different topic every month, in Japanese and English focusing on vocabulary, communication, grammar, and accent reduction.
October TBD	Young Professionals Halloween Party: The JASG's Young Professionals group gathers together to celebrate Halloween. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

November 14 (Tues)	November Kayobi-Kai Dinner: JASG members gather together at Hajime for its monthly Kayobi-Kai dinner to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Japanese cuisine.
November 25 (Sat)	<u>Nihongo-Eigo-Kai</u> : Join language learners to enjoy conversation on a different topic every month, in Japanese and English focusing on vocabulary, communication, grammar, and accent reduction.
December 12 (Tue)	<u>December Kayobi-Kai Dinner</u> : JASG members gather together at Hajime for its monthly Kayobi-Kai dinner to promote friendship and social networking among Japanese and Americans while enjoying Japanese cuisine.
December TBD	Bonenkai Holiday Celebration & Silent Auction: As part of the Society's winter tradition, the JASG celebrates the holidays at its 37th Bonenkai. The Bonenkai is a unique occasion when a diverse representation of members of the community, including many top Japanese and American business and community leaders, gather together in one place for a time of celebration and enjoyment.
December 16 (Sat)	Nihongo-Eigo-Kai: Join language learners to enjoy conversation on a different topic every month, in Japanese and English focusing on vocabulary, communication, grammar, and accent reduction.
December TBD	YP Holiday Party: The JASG's Young Professionals group gathers together to celebrate the winter Holidays. A special door prize drawing will be held and an after party will be held at Karaoke Melody.