

Ceremonies and Events for the First Anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake

17/02/2012

Scheduled Date	Title	Venue	Summary	Organizer	Relevant Government Ministry, Agency and Organization	URL	Language	Inquiry	Open Meeting or Not
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February

January-March	Photo Exhibition "Tohoku Region - Rebuilding for a Better Tomorrow"	Around 90 countries and regions	The photo exhibitions titled "Tohoku Region - Rebuilding for a Better Tomorrow" are (to be) held at institutions attracting many visitors, as well as on occasions of various public diplomacy programs conducted by the overseas missions, including the receptions in commemoration of the Great East Japan Earthquake~"towards Open Reconstruction".	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	-	as appropriate	For details, please contact directly our embassies and consulates-general overseas holding these exhibitions/receptions. (http://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/over/index.html)	open
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24-Feb	The forum of a school with a community ~through the experience of the Great East Japan Earthquake ~	Kasumigaseki, Tokyo, Japan	○The lecture on creating a community for the education of disaster prevention ○The discussion on "What a school should do when an earthquake happens.",and"What a school with a community should be." through the experience of the Great East Japan Earthquake	Ministry of education, culuture, sports, science and technology, Japan	Ministry of education, culuture, sports, science and technology, Japan	http://www.mext.go.jp/a_menu/shotou/uneishien/detail/1314607.htm	Japanese only	03-5253-4111(Extension number 3705)	open (able to watch on Ustream MEXT channel)
29-Feb	Music Festival for Reconstruction	Tokyo	The concert, conducted by Mr. Valery Abisalovich Gergiev and performed by Tokyo Symphony Orchestra, to be held at the Tokyu Bunkamura Orchids Hall in Tokyo on February 29, 2012, about a year passed after the Great East Japan Earthquake.400 students who take refuge around in Tokyo from the disaster area, Miyagi and Iwate and so on, are inviting to the concert. The earnings will be applied to cheer up the people in the disaster area, such as supporting the charity event with heartfelt dishes cooked by well-known chefs for children who are completing and entering school in the disaster area, Fukushima.	Executive Committee of Music Festival for Reconstruction	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries,Cabinet Office(Prearranged) , Ministry of Foreign Affairs(Prearranged) , Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology(Prearranged) , Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry(Prearranged) ,Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism(Prearranged)	http://www.maff.go.jp/i/press/shokusan/orosi/120208.html	Japanese only	ikuo_miyanaga[at sign]nm.maff.go.jp kensuke_nakanishi[at sign]nm.maff.go.jp Food Manufacture and Commerce Division, Food Industry Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries,	open

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11-Mar	Reception in Commemoration of the Great East Japan Earthquake ~"towards Open Reconstruction"	All Japan's Overseas Missions	Host reception to express our gratitude to those supported us in the wake of the Great East Japan Earthquake, and to express Japan is 'open for business	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	-	as appropriate	For details, please contact directly our embassies and consulates-general overseas holding these exhibitions/receptions. (http://www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/over/index.html)	invitation only
10-Mar (This is the first of a three-part series. All the series will be broadcasted by around June.)	A weekly TV Program, "JETRO Global Eye" Title: "Feature program commemorating the first-year anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake- Part 1: Come along, manufacturers in the Tohoku region!"	The program is broadcasted through the Digital Broadcast Satellite (DBS) networks in Japan. (It is also aired by Internet broadcasting and an in-flight entertainment system on international flights of Japan Airline, "JAL Entertainment Network".)	"JETRO Global Eye" is a Japanese TV series which the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) produces with an aim to provide audience with the latest news and information on international business trends and topics. The program is aired weekly on Saturday from 10:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the national broadcast networks (BS-11 channel.) The feature program scheduled to be on-air on March 11, as a one-year commemoration of the earthquake, focuses on manufacturing business in the afflicted Tohoku region. In a few weeks after the broadcast, it will be translated into English and publicized on JETRO website: http://www.jetro.go.jp/en/earthquake/	Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)	Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)	http://www.jetro.go.jp/tv/internet/ (Japanese) http://www.jetro.go.jp/en/earthquake/ (English)	Japanese / English	-	-
15-Mar	A monthly magazine, "JETRO Sensor", April, 2012 issue A feature article, "Overseas business development of Japanese company one-year after the Great East Japan Earthquake (tentative)"	The monthly magazine is distributed to JETRO membership companies as well as sold at Japanese major bookstores and on the Internet.	"JETRO Sensor" is a monthly magazine published by the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO). The April issue, which will be set to be issued on March 15, runs a feature article about the trend of overseas business activities of Japanese companies at one-year after the earthquake and its future prospects.	Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)	Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO)	http://books.jetro.go.jp/jpn/ (Japanese)	Japanese only	-	-
March	Screening of LIGHT UP NIPPON documentary video and the related events	India, Korea, Thailand, Hungary, Mexico, Switzerland and etc.	Screening of a documentary video on LIGHT UP NIPPON project held at 10 disaster-stricken areas in Tohoku region in August 11, 2011, followed by the related events (symposiums, etc) some of which the representative of the project will attend as a key note speaker.	The Japan Foundation	The Japan Foundation	http://www.ij2012.com/event/2012_no06/index.html	Japanese/English	-	open

March	Screening of films on recovery from disasters	USA, France, China and etc.	7 Japanese DVDs with multilingual subtitles (4 feature films and 3 documentaries) are distributed to totally 126 of the Japanese Diplomatic and the JF overseas offices for screening at the 1 year memorial events of the disaster or other occasions. Each title of the DVDs is as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WANKO - The Story of Me, My Family and My Dog - Quartet! • Haru's Journey • Eclair • Fukushima Hula Girls • Can You See Our Lights?: First Festival after the Tsunami • Setting Sail from the Ruins 	The Japan Foundation	The Japan Foundation	http://www.overcoming-disaster.jp/	Japanese/English	-	open
2-26 Mar	Overcoming the Disaster: Gratitude from Japan to the World Tohoku Folk Performance Group, Ondekoza Taiko & Musicians	USA, France, China	The tour will take the performers to Los Angeles, New York, Paris, Beijing, Shanghai, Chongchin, Guangzhou, and Hong Kong and features some of the best musical artists from the region most greatly impacted by the disaster. March 2: Los Angeles March 5-6: New York (incl. UNHQ) March 10-11: Paris March 14: Beijing March 16: Shanghai March 20: Chongchin March 22-23: Guangzhou March 26: Hong Kong	The Japan Foundation	The Japan Foundation	http://www.overcoming-disaster.jp/	Japanese /English	-	Open (except the concert held at UNHQ)
5-Mar	Japanese American Leadership Symposium	Sendai, Miyagi Pref, Japan	The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (CGP) organizes the Japanese American Leadership Symposium as part of its joint project with Ministry of Foreign Affairs: The Japanese American Leadership Delegation Program. This year's theme is titled "Empowering Civil Society for the Future of Japan" in relation to the mid to long term rebuilding phase from the Great East Japan Earthquake.	The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership (CGP), US-Japan Council, Sendai-Miyagi NPO Center	The Japan Foundation	http://www.jpfg.jp/cgp/	Japanese/English	The Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership TEL: 03-5369-6072 FAX: 03-5369-6042 e-mail: cgpinfo[at sign]jpf.go.jp	open
from early March, 2012 onward (2 years)	How Did Architects Respond Immediately after 3/11 (The Great East Japan Earthquake)?	France, Sendai(Japan), Korea, Russia, etc	Exhibition introducing Japanese architects' activities for recovery of the earthquake- stricken areas of Tohoku region.	The Japan Foundation	The Japan Foundation	http://www.overcoming-disaster.jp/	Japanese/English	-	open
from late March, 2012 onward (5 years)	TOHOKU through the Eyes of Japanese Photographers	China, Italy (Australia, etc. from April onward)	Exhibition composed of photographs of the Tohoku taken by nine individual photographers and one photographers's group.	The Japan Foundation	The Japan Foundation	http://www.overcoming-disaster.jp/	Japanese/English	-	open

11-Mar	The Memorial Ceremony to mark the first anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake	Tokyo	The Great East Japan Earthquake was unprecedented in its scale and magnitude, affecting a wide area of Japan and claiming a very large number of victims, as well as having a tremendous impact on the lives of the people of Japan. In view of the scale of the disaster, the Government will be holding a ceremony to commemorate the victims and all those affected on the first anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake.	Government of Japan	Cabinet Office	-	-	Cabinet Office Task Force for the Memorial Ceremony to mark the first anniversary of the Great East Japan Earthquake (03)5253-2111	invitation only
11-Mar	Yutaka Sado Memorial Concert at UNESCO 311	France	Charity concert by musicians led by conductor Yutaka Sado. "Super Kids Orchestra" from Japan will be joining to the concert together with renowned musicians such as Nobuyuki Tsujii (piano).	Association internationale du personnel de l'UNESCO (AIPU/ISAU), Maison de la culture du Japon à Paris, JAPONAIDE	The Japan Foundation	http://unesco311.japonaide.org/	Japanese/French	-	open
from late March, 2012 onward (5 years)	"Beauty of Hand Craft from Tohoku" (tentative)	Germany	Exhibition introducing craftsmanship of various parts of Tohoku region.	The Japan Foundation	The Japan Foundation	http://www.jpf.go.jp/j/culture/index.html (Japanese), http://www.jpf.go.jp/e/culture/index.html (English) (Information will be uploaded soon.)	Japanese/English	Visual Arts Section, Arts and Culture Dept., The Japan Foundation Tel: 03-5369-6062, Fax: 03-5369-6038	open
16-19 Mar	The Paris Book Fair	France	Japanese literature will be the guest of honor at the Paris Book Fair 2012, where 22 Japanese authors are officially invited. The Japan Foundation cooperate to invite 5 authors, including Kenichiro Hirano and Risa Wataya. The Japan Cultural Institute in Paris organize a conference titled "Literature after the catastrophe" during this period with these authors.	Salon du Livre, Centre National du Livre, Institut Français, The Japanese Embassy in France, The Japan Cultural Institute in Paris (Maison de la culture du Japon à Paris) etc.	The Japan Foundation	http://www.salondulivre.paris.com/ http://www.mcjp.fr/	Japanese/French/English	-	open