

The 36th Annual JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST

for Foreign Residents of Ibaraki Prefecture

We are now accepting participants for the Japanese Speech Contest. Would you like to talk in Japanese about what you've felt or experienced living in Japan or introduce your own country, with the theme of global understanding? We look forward to your application!

When: February 13th (Sat), 2027, 1:00pm [Open at 12:30]

Where: The Hirosawa City Kaikan, Shou hall

Who: Foreigners who live, work, or study in Ibaraki Prefecture

* Older than 15 years of age as of April 1st, 2026

* Those who have never received Japanese compulsory education

Speakers: Up to 15(In case of too many applicants, the organizing committee will proceed to a careful selection.)

Speech length: 5 minutes

Topics: Any subject that deepens global understanding, other than political, commercial, or religious topics

Application: Please submit the following via mail or e-mail:

① Application Form

② Manuscript of your speech

③ Recording of your speech (data, CD-R, USB, etc.)

NB: We prioritize speech content focused on international understanding with appropriate time management. Speeches that are too short or too long will be deemed ineligible.

Deadline: December 14th (Mon), 2026

Prizes awarded:

A variety of prizes will be awarded, including Ibaraki Governor's Prize and several other special awards. The prizes are provided by the contest's business sponsors.

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Application Form

Name (First, Middle, Last) (with Katakana to indicate pronunciation)	Nationality	Age	Sex	Total period of stay in Japan (as of February 13 th , 2027) (e.g. 3 years and 4 months)
Home address 〒				
E-mail address			Phone number	
Occupation			Status of Residence	
Name of your Japanese class (e.g. Niji no kai)				
Speech Title				
Result Notification (if the person to contact is different from the applicant)	Workplace(School, Japanese Class Name) :			
	Name:		Tel/Fax	
	E-mail:			
	Address: 〒			

*This application form can be downloaded from the Ibaraki International Association HP. (English/Japanese)