HOLIDAY MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear CCEA Members,

This year presented us with many challenges and sacrifices, but it has shown us what matters most to us, family, friends, and our community. Many of our plans changed as we navigated this year, but we all have done our best to still enjoy each other's company online, over the phone, and even limited meetings in person.

I am grateful to our 2020 Executive Board for their hard work, dedication, and innovation to keep CCEA running this year. I also would like to thank all of our Interest Group leaders for working to continue to provide members with opportunities to meet as safely as possible this year. Without these amazing women, I feel this year would have been unfulfilling.

I am hopeful next year will be different. We may still face challenges, but I am looking forward to working with our 2021 Executive Board. Next month we will announce the board members.

Have a wonderful winter season, and let's make next year even better!

Sincerely, Gwyn Wilson

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING - KATSURA SUNSHINE

Our November general meeting was successfully ended with the Rakugo show performed by our guest, Katsura Sunshine. It was also our last programme of the year 2020.

We were happy that we had received a lot of positive feedback from our members. Though that day we could not hear your laughter as we were obliged to mute the audience on Zoom, your smiling faces confirmed our reward.

At the end of his performance he was open to answer any questions from our

members. He even gave us tricks on how to maintain the Japanese kneeling position without too much suffering. Those of you who were present in our meeting discovered that he designed his collection of kimonos: casual, stylish and easy-to-wear. You can have a look at his website <u>https://www.rakugo.lol/denim-kimono</u>.

You may also find his videos on youtube and enjoy with your family anytime at your convenience. Just type his name and you will find a huge collection for you to choose.

The pandemic has made us be creative and adapt our programmes to the situation from time to time. Since June, Zoom was the only solution to bring us 'close' to you. We are awaiting to be real close to you in 2021.









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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carmen Scherrer - 12/4 Layne Blakely - 12/7 Yukiko Ochiai - 12/9 Satomi Murakami - 12/15 Michelle Pereira - 12/16



Tomoko Mizuno - 12/18 Ana Cristina Avelar - 12/19 Mieko Murase - 12/21 Mehtap Kasap - 12/30

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1	2	3	4
			Ikebana 10am - 11.30	
	8	9	10	11
Book Club				Yamato-E
10am - 1pm				10am-noon
The Japanese Lover" sabel Allende				(TBC based on COVID situation)
14	15	16	17	18
			Ikebana 10am - 11.30	
21	22	23	24	25



BOARD MEMBERS

President: Gwyn Wilson Vice President: Miyuki Takashima Program Coordinators: Naomi Hasegawa, Yuen Ling Laurence, Takeno Matsuda, Yenling Chou Sato Membership Coordinators: Sandra Skaf, Masako Noda Financial Coordinators: Rachel Hyatt, Sakiko Kato

Administrator: Betsy Young Marketing Coordinators: Sumiko Adams, Lisa Brasher Recruitment Coordinators: Tammy Miller, Asaka Takeshima Catering Coordinator: Mehtap Kasap, Fumika Kusano

