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Children's Day at the JICC Passport DC 2023 Special Event

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Children's Day at the JICC

As a part of Passport DC 2023's **Around the World Embassy Tour**, the JICC will be hosting a Children's Day event on **Saturday, May 6th** from **10 AM to 2:30 PM.** Join us for a fun day of kid-friendly activities (see below) and special folk dance performance by the Okinawa Cultural Performance!

In Japan, Children's Day is celebrated on May 5th. During this period, streets are sometimes lined with colorful *koinobori* (carp streamers) and families may choose to decorate their homes with *kabuto* (samurai helmets) or warrior dolls such as *gogatsu-ningyo* to inspire courage and strength in their children.

Visit the JICC for this special event to:

- learn more about the tradition and history of Children's Day in Japan
- · play traditional games such as kendama and wanage, or ring toss
- · take a photo with the JICC's kabuto (samurai helmets) display
- stop by the Japan Rail model train booth
- write a haiku

The event will wrap up with a live folk dance performance by children from the Okinawa Cultural Performance starting at 2:00 p.m and ending at 2:30 p.m. **Doors** to the building will close at 2:00 p.m. and admission into the auditorium will be first-come-first-serve.

We hope to see you there!

Blossoming Flowers in Japanese Art & Poetry 🏩



About the Okinawa Cultural Performance

Okinawa, once known as the Ryukyu Kingdom, is comprised of many islands with a rich culture of traditional music, dance, and karate that continues to this day.

For over 10 years, the Okinawa Cultural Performance in Washington, DC has brought the beauty of these varied traditions to the public through live performances.

Passport DC is an annual celebration of international culture presented by Events DC which showcases Washington DC's embassies and cultural organizations with tours of more than 70 embassies and hundreds of events

For more information about Passport DC's Around the World Embassy Tour, visit their website.

The exhibition is **free** and **open to the public**, but we strongly recommend **pre-registration through Eventbrite**. The extended gallery hours will be on May 6 during adjusted JICC hours, 10 AM to 2:30 PM. **Please note there will be no admittance into the building past 2PM**.

Please note that there is street parking along 18th St NW and the surrounding area. Be sure to read the street parking signs carefully. There are also multiple parking garages on 18th Street NW and the surrounding area. Unfortunately, we are unable to validate these tickets.

The JICC is conveniently located in the Golden Triangle district. We are located near Farragut North on the Red line and Farragut West on the Orange, Silver, and Blue lines.







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