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Virtual New York Japan CineFest 2023 Film Festival

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ABOUT

Virtual Short Film Festival from Nov 6 at 9:00AM EST until Nov 12 at 11:59PM EST. Join us for a virtual festival featuring 20+ short films from some of the most exciting voices in Japanese cinema! Registration is open now. In addition to the festival's main lineup, the JICC, Embassy of Japan has a curated collection of festival highlights available below.

New York Japan CineFest (NYJCF), now in its twelfth year, is a film festival of short films from up-and-coming filmmakers in Japanese cinema. It has been presented in New York City at the Asia Society and since 2015 has expanded by holding screenings around the U.S. and in Japan. The festival focuses on highlighting independent filmmakers in Japanese cinema and their unique, creative visions. For more information about this year's JICC festival highlights, see below.

JICC HIGHLIGHTS



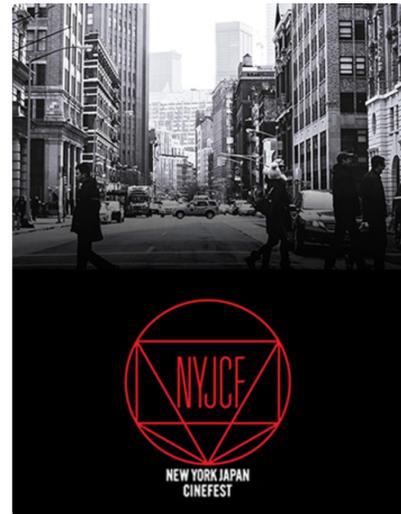
The Floating World

When a university student struggling with an environmental studies assignment searches for inspiration for an assignment at an art gallery, she is magically transported into a painting and lands in 19th-century Japan. In Edo, today's Tokyo, she witnesses a range of everyday sustainable practices--using ashes in the dyeing process, fertilizing fields with night soil, repurposing used kimonos into towels and rags--that helped the country overcome environmental collapse. In Japanese with English Subs | Japan | 2022 | Not Rated | 15 min | Documentary| Directed by Hiroshi Yokota



Third Wheel 晴れて成仏

Edo Period. Following his abrupt death, **Gohei**, a master carpenter, returns as a ghost to make peace with his wife, **Sachi** but finds out he is invisible. He must rely on **Sakichi**, his once-neglected apprentice gifted with psychic abilities. In Japanese with English Subs | Japan , Switzerland | 2023 | Not Rated | 5 min | Comedy, Drama | Directed by Kevin Haefelin



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Registration for this event requires you to purchase a pass. Use the code **JICC2023** for a free festival pass.

The number of free JICC passes is limited but please check **NYJCF 2023** for additional passes.

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Shu-Ha-Ri

Born and raised in Kyoto, Japanese calligrapher, **Chifumi**, teaches students not only how to write characters beautifully but also break through tradition to develop self-esteem and find a new you through shodo (Japanese calligraphy).
In Japanese with English Subs | Japan | 2023 | Documentary | 12 min | Drama, Family | Directed by Tatsuya Ino



Seen

A love story based on Ryunosuke Akutagawa's short story "The Nose." **Tatsuya**, a man afflicted with a nose complex, meets **Fumi**, a reclusive woman with an eye patch. Both burdened with their emotional scars, the two find themselves drawn to each other.
In Japanese with English Subs | Japan | 2023 | Not Rated | 23 min | Drama | Directed by Shinji Hamasaki



What to do to be like you

Young **Natsumi** return to the island of her ancestor to become an Ama-san - Traditional female diver of Japan. She follows her mentor **Reiko** who's the best Ama-san in the area to discover her secrets.
In Japanese with English Subs | Japan | 2022 | Not Rated | 5 min | Drama, Family | Directed by Chris Rudz



The Swamp

He, in the painful days of living deep in a shell, picks up a stone. It gains an identity in a moment and becomes a different individual from him. It pulls him up and takes him somewhere he would never imagine. This is written as a record of the writer himself who has kept creating while feeling the hardness of life.
In Japanese with English Subs | Japan | 2023 | Not Rated | 19 min | Animation | Directed by Sorao Sakamura



Aufguss

A sauna spa that has been in business for 50 years, is about to reach the very last day but without letting their regular customers know. An aufgussmeister **Toji** is preparing for the last aufguss session. Regular customers are puzzled why he is so fired up. This is a story about the special night of a small sauna business.
In Japanese with English Subs | Japan | 2023 | Not Rated | 25 min | Drama, Fantasy | Directed by Daigo Matsui



This event is free if you complete registration with the JICC code below. Online program begins from Mon, Nov 6 at 9:00AM EST until Sun, Nov 12 at 11:59PM EST.

This event is **free** if you complete registration with the JICC code below. Virtual attendance is also open to all online attendees in the US, however **registration on the NYJCF 2023 platform is required** in order to receive streaming access to the online film festival.

Use code **JICC2023** to redeem for a free festival pass. Supplies are limited so please check the official NYJCF 2023 website for additional passes. **For more detailed information and the full lineup, please check the official listings [here](#).**

For additional questions regarding registration, please email jicc@ws.mofa.go.jp.

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