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Announcement

Due to structural change in the Headquarters of The Japan Foundation in Japan, we wish to announce that from 1st April 2004, the name of Japan Cultural Centre and Japanese Language Centre that is under the umbrella of The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur will be changed to Cultural Affairs Department and Japanese Language Department respectively.

The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur will be headed by Director, and will be assisted by Head of Cultural Affairs Department and Head of Japanese Language Department.

The objective and the activities of the organization are remaining unchanged.



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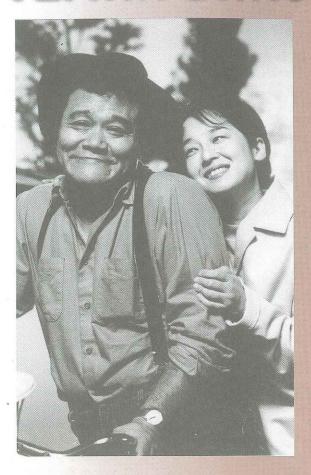


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The Weekend Japanese Film Show APRIL & MAY

Four films are scheduled to be screened in the month of April and May. All films are in Japanese with English subtitles.

3 April 4.30pm Tora-san Goes North / Otoko wa Tsuraiyo Shiretoko Bojo

(Directed by Yoji YAMADA, 1987, 107min)

Tora-san, the inveterate traveling street peddler, returns to his uncle's confectionary shop in Tokyo to help his aunt

with the shop while his uncle stays in the hospital, but his good intentions create more trouble than help. Tora-san wends his way north to Shiretoko, a scenic peninsula at



the easternmost tip of the northern island of Hokkaido. A veterinarian Junkichi offers Tora to stay at his vet's house.

17 April 4.30pm The Rainbow Seeker / Niji o Tsukamu Otoko

(Directed by Yoji YAMADA, 1996, 120min)

After having a fight with his father, Ryo leaves home and wanders around Japan doing odd jobs. His travels even-



machi in Tokushima, where he finds a job at a small theatre run by Katsuo SHIROGANE, a man who lives and breathes the movies. One of the first people he introduces Ryo to, is Yaeko, a widow who runs a coffee shop and is the object of Katsuo's secret admiration.

* The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur had screened 20 films at the Weekend Japanese Film Show in 2003, and we held the popularity contest in January and February this year. The films to be screened in this coming May are the ones that won the 3rd and the 2nd place in the contest.

15 May 4.30pm Osaka Story / Osaka Monogatari

(Directed by Jun Ichikawa, 1999, 119min)

Cute Wakana, 14, is the daughter of a couple who have been in show business for 20 years as a standup comedy act without making the big time. One day, Ryusuke. Waka-



na's father falls in love with a young woman and she becomes pregnant. He leaves home and moves into an apartment nearby. Harumi, Wakana's mother decides toget divorced, but they still remain as a working comedy duo.

15 May 7.00pm First Love / Hatsukoi

(Directed by Tetsuo SHINOHARA, 2000, 115min)



The hospitalization of her mother for cancer comes a great shock to Satoka, 17 year old high school girl. One day, she discovers a letter her mother wrote to Shinichiro, her mother's first love.

Satoka determines to fulfill her mother's long lost wish to meet him under the "Cherry Tree of Wishes" again. The tree does turn out to be quite a remarkable landmark, but Shinichiro is no longer the dashingly handsome young man of her mother's letter.

Venue

: Mini Auditorium, MTC (Malaysia Tourism

Centre, formally known as MATIC)

109, Jalan Ampang, 50450 Kuala Lumpur

Admission: Free

1st Japanese Speech Contest for Secondary School

Date: Sunday, 25th April 2004, 13:00

Venue: Auditorium, the Japan Club of Kuala Lumpur

We are pleased to inform that The Japan Club of Kuala Lumpur (JC), the Japanese Chamber of Trade Industry Malaysia (JACTIM), and the Japan Foundation Kuala Lumpur, with support from the Ministry of Education Malaysia and Embassy of Japan in Malaysia, are organizing the first Japanese Speech Contest for secondary school students in Malaysia Sunday, April 25, 2004 from Ipm at Auditorium, JC, No. 2 Jalan 1/86 off Jalan Taman Seputeh 58000 Kuala Lumpur.

The purpose of the contest is to provide an opportunity for Japanese language learners at secondary to express their opinion and thoughts in Japanese as well as to show mastery of the language and raise awareness and deepen the understanding among secondary school students on the importance of intercultural exchange and cross-cultural communication.

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JFKL Japanese Language Class in 2004

We, Japanese Language Department, will renew the following classes:

Pre-Advanced I

Level 3 to 2 (required score 320 or

over/Level 3)

Wed, 28th April 2004 / on Wednesdays

& Fridays

Pre-Advanced II

Level 2

Tue, 27th April 2004 / on Tuesdays &

Fridays

Advanced

Level 1

Tue, 27th April 2004 / on Tuesdays &

Thursdays

Course fees of all classes are RM400.00 (RM200.00 per 1st semester). The duration of Application for the classes will be 22nd March to 6th April 2004.