

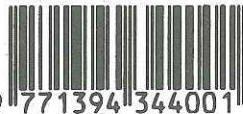
JAPAN-ASEAN Exchange Year 2003

Following the announcement made by Mr. Junichiro Koizumi, Prime Minister of Japan during his visit to Malaysia sometime this year, that the year 2003 is going to be Japan ASEAN Exchange Year. Many events will be organized by Japanese organizations during 2003.

The Japan Foundation also will be taking part in organizing cultural events such as theatre performance, film shows, exhibitions, lecture etc., to commemorate the celebrations. Details of the events will be announced later.



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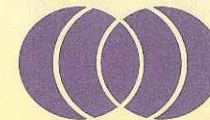
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Theatre and Dance Workshop

Following the last year's successful workshop by Pappa Tarahumara, The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur in cooperation with Pappa Tarahumara Theatre Company of Japan will once again organize a Theatre/ Dance Workshop in Kuala Lumpur from 10 to 18 December 2002. The workshop will be jointly co-organized with The Actors Studio and Five Arts Centre.

The workshop is open to dancers and theatre activists; priority will be given to last year's participants and student of performing arts schools. This workshop will be a preparation for next year's production planned during the "Japan-ASEAN Exchange Year 2003".

The venue of the workshop will be as follows:

Venue: Actors Studio Plaza Putra Merdeka Square,
Kuala Lumpur

Date: 10 – 18 December 2002

Please call The Japan Foundation at 03-21612104 and ask for Mr. Takiguchi for further details.



A scene from Pappa Tarahumara

Weekend Japanese Film Shows

The Japan Foundation is pleased to announce that the Weekend Japanese Film shows will re-start on 18 January 2003 onwards with the title *Free & Easy Special*

Version (Tsuribaka Nisshi Special). Yamasaki Juzo and Kitami Kenichi base the story on the popular comic. Hamasaki Densuke is working for a construction company and is such an expert on the art of fishing that he has, in secret, become a 'teacher' to one very special pupil: Suzuki Ichinosuke, the president of his company, whom he treats with no particular deference. The show will be at the same venue as follows:

Mini Auditorium
MTC
Jalan Ampang,
Kuala Lumpur
Starting 4.30 p.m.
Admission is free.

Please call 03-21612103 asks for Mr. Honjo for details.

JFKL Library

JFKL Library will be temporarily closed from 2 December 2002 to 6 January 2003 for stock check and cataloging of books, the Library will re-open from 7 January (Tuesday). During this period, we would only be able to check-in returning library materials and telephone enquiries.

Any inconvenience caused is very much regretted.

Working hours during the closure as follows:
Monday – Friday: 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. Closed
12.30 – 2.00 p.m.
29 December 2002 – 3 January 2003 is closed for Year End's holidays (no returns or telephone enquiries during this time).

Announcement

We wish to announce that The Japan Foundation, Kuala Lumpur office will be closed for Year End's holiday from 29 December 2002 to 5 January 2003. The office will re-open on 6 January 2003.