

The 1st Asian Amateur Orchestra Festival in Fukuoka

(The 39th National Amateur Orchestra Festival)

Foreign Participants Applications Guidelines

NPO World Federation of Amateur Orchestras

Sponsorship

The 1st Asian Amateur Orchestras Festival will be held in Fukuoka (Japan)

The NPO-WFAO (World Federation of Amateur Orchestras) aims at promoting international exchanges and give an opportunity to performers from all over Asia to perform together on that occasion and strengthen their ties and friendships

WFAO has been promoting international exchanges since 1988 through joint concerts and information sharing. Japan has been central in efforts to promote cooperation between Youth and Adult Amateur Orchestras in Europe, South Africa and America. NPO WFAO was created in December 2007 aiming at extending yet further the scope of those international exchanges and joint concerts, while extending its efforts to ever more regions and countries.

The international nature music allows participants to easily break through the natural language barriers that exist between different cultures. We believe that such a common understanding also contributes directly to world peace. Furthermore, we intend to extend music practice beyond personal enjoyment and use it as a means of making friends even with people from distant countries.

Exchanges with Taiwan, China and Korea have been very active but we intend to extend those exchanges to all Asian countries including India. We hope to lay the groundwork for a lasting cooperation between all those countries.

Important points

- 1) Host : Organizing Committee of the First Asian Amateur Orchestra Festival in Fukuoka.
The Federation of Japan Amateur Orchestras Corp.
Fukuoka Prefecture. Fukuoka City. Acros Fukuoka Foundation.
Fukuoka City Foundation for Arts and Cultural Promotion
- 2) Co- host : NPO World Federation of Amateur Orchestras
- 3) Support : Japan Art Counsel (tentative). Toyota Motor Co. (tentative)
- 4) Backing: Agency for Cultural Affairs (tentative). Fukuoka Prefecture the board of education
Fukuoka City Board of Education. Fukuoka Media
- 5) URL : <http://fco.sakura.ne.jp/fest2011/>

Schedule

- Time : From August 18 through August 21.
- August 18 : Arrival and NPO WFAO Welcome Party
- August 19 : 13:00 Opening ceremony, rehearsal and evening meal.
(Youth Orchestra)
- August 20 : A.M and P.M Rehearsals and Welcome Reception (evening meal)
- August 21 : General Rehearsal (morning) Concert (afternoon) End 17:00

Venue

Acros Symphony Hall (Ceremony, Main rehearsals, Concert)
〒810-0001 Fukuoka Central District Tenjin 1-1-1 TEL 092-725-9111
URL <http://www.acros.or.jp/>
From the Airport take the subway to Tenjin station. (About 11 min.)



Papio Bld. (Second rehearsal)
 〒810-044 Fukuoka Hakata Chio 1-15-30 TEL 092-633-2180
 URL <http://www.papio.jp/index.html>



Accommodations Fukuoka Acros
 〒810-0001 Fukuoka Central District Tenjin 1-16-1
 TEL.092-712-5858
 URL <http://www.n-inn.jp/hotels/fukuoka/index.php>



Intended Program

Youth orchestra 50 invited players

Conductor : Shigeo Genda
 Khachaturian Suite "Masquerade."



A Adult orchestra 25 invited players

Conductor: Masahiro Izaki
 Stravinsky "Petrouchka" (1911 edition)

B Adult orchestra: 25 invited players

Conductor : Shinji Moriguchi
 Mahler "Das Lied von der Erde"

Participant 's qualifications

WFAO members or introduced or recomendet by other members (**Preferably string players with reasonable understanding of English**)

If otherwise necessary, accompanying family member or tutor. Double basses will be provided.

Participant's support

- 1) Participant registration fee
- 2) Meal and boarding during the Festival

Date	Breakfast	Lunch	Supper	Room
18	×	×		
19		×		
20				
21			×	
22		×	×	×

Application

Download the NPO-WFAO HP application form.
 Fill in and send to the Main Office by mail or fax.

- 1) URL <http://www.npowfao.or.jp/>
- 2) e-mail NPO-WFAO-info@yahoogroups.jp
- 3) Applications should be returned by February 28, 2011. Further details will be provided once the application is accepted.

In case the valid application numbers exceed maximum capacity some may be turned down.

Related links

- 1) NPO-WFAO: <http://www.npowfao.or.jp/>
- 2) Flight information : <http://www.fuk-ab.co.jp/>
Local transportation: <http://subway.city.fukuoka.lg.jp/index.html>

General information

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 TEL +81 (0) 532-33-6885 Official residence documents required)

