

# The Japan Club Times

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## Thanks to 2020-2022 Board Members

By TOMONORI NAGANO



Japan Club Board Members between 2020 and 2022

A lot has happened since Spring 2020. The pandemic hit right after the Japan Club's New Year Celebration event in Spring 2020, causing the club to go on hiatus for several months. Eventually, the club began exploring different virtual platforms to resume its activities and successfully established a solid virtual membership on Discord. In

Spring 2023, we were finally able to start fully in-person club experiences, but this wouldn't have been possible without the dedication and leadership of the student leaders who served in the Japan Club between 2020 and 2022. We truly thank you for your time and commitment during your tenures in the Japan Club.

### Spring 2020

- President: Jimmy Franco
- Vice President: Brandon Stephens
- Secretary: Tereece Goodman
- Treasurer: Shardul Sigdel

### Fall 2020

- President: Brandon Stephens
- Vice President: Tereece Goodman
- Secretary: Justin Mayorga
- Treasurer: Shardul Sigdel

### Spring 2021

- President: Tereece Goodman
- Vice President: Kadiri Junior Fousseini / Steven Arroyo
- Secretary: Justin Mayorga
- Treasurer: Shardul Sigdel

### Fall 2021

- President: Jin Martin
- Vice President: Dana Saunders-Newman
- Secretary: Ian Joshua Fernandez
- Treasurer:

### Spring 2022

- President: Jin Martin
- Vice President: Kadiri Fousseini
- Secretary: Quillan Alleyne
- Treasurer: Kiel Fievre

### Fall 2022

- President: Felix Acevedo
- Vice President: Nicholas Davis
- Secretary: Ayelei Kyi
- Treasurer: Tafarei Knight

### Spring 2023

- President: Terrance Friday

- Vice President: Tafarei Knight
- Secretary: Justin Macas
- Treasurer: Matthew Mercado

## Japan Club has merged with the Anime Club in Spring 2022

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After several semesters of co-hosting meetings and events together, the Japan Club and the Anime Club have officially agreed to merge into a new club called the Japan and Entertainment Club. The newly formed club was launched in Fall 2022 with Prof. Tomonori Nagano and Oscar Cortes (the former mentor of the Anime Club) as co-mentors.



Members of the Japan and Entertainment Club

## Japan-related Events in NYC

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Most organizations resumed in-person events by 2023. Below is the list of Japan-related events in the New York City area.

### Monthly

#### • Japan Society's Film Screenings

- Place: Japan Society (333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017)
- Price: \$20-\$30
- <https://www.japansociety.org/page/programs/film>

### Monthly

#### • Japan Society's Programs

- Place: Japan Society (333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017)
- Price: \$20-\$30
- <https://www.japansociety.org/page/programs>

#### Monthly

- **Urasenke Chanoyu Center (Tea Ceremony)**
- Place: 153 E 69th St, New York, NY 10021
- Price: \$200 for up to 20 guests
- <http://www.urasenkenewyork.org/group.html>

#### Monthly

- **JapanFes (Japanese Street Fair)**
- Place: NA
- Price: Free
- <https://www.japanfes.com/event>

#### January 1

- **Mitsuwa NJ: New Year's Special Event and New Year Lucky Bag**
- Place: Mitsuwa Marketplace, 595 River Rd, Edgewater, NJ 07020
- Price: Free
- <http://www.mitsuwa.com/nj/>

#### late March (1 day)

- **Columbia Japan Society Matsuri**
- Place: Columbia University (New York, NY 10027)
- Price: Free
- <http://www.columbia.edu/cu/japansociety/>

#### April

- **NECTJ Virtual Haru Matsuri**
- Place: UNIS (24-50 FDR Dr, New York, NY 10010)
- Price: Registration including lunch bento box is \$12 per student and teacher.
- <http://nectjharumatsuri.mystrikingly.com>

#### late April (two days)

- **Brooklyn Botanic Garden Sakura Matsuri**
- Place: 990 Washington Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11225
- Price: \$18 (\$12 for students)
- [https://www.bbg.org/visit/event/sakura\\_matsuri\\_2020](https://www.bbg.org/visit/event/sakura_matsuri_2020)

#### early May

- **Japan Day**
- Place: Central Park
- Price: Japan Day is a free event, but it costs about \$35-40 to participate in the Japan Run.
- <https://japandaynyc.org>

#### mid May (1 day)

- **AAPI Celebration @ LaGuardia Community College**
- Place: 31-10 Thomson Ave, Long Island City, NY 11101
- Price: Free
- <https://www.laguardia.edu/ahc/>

#### June

- **New York Japan CineFest**
- Place: Asia Society
- Price: NA
- <http://nyjcf.com/>

#### late July to early August

- **Obon Dance (Bon Dance) Festival**
- Place: Bryant Park (42nd street & Sixth avenue)
- Price: Free
- <https://www.newyorkbuddhistchurch.org>

#### late July (about 2 weeks)

- **Japan Cuts (Japanese Film Festival)**
- Place: Japan Society (333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017)
- Price: about \$5-\$29
- <https://japancuts.japansociety.org/>

#### August

- **Mitsuwa NJ Summer Festival**
- Place: Mitsuwa Marketplace, 595 River Rd, Edgewater, NJ 07020
- Price: Free
- <https://mitsuwa.com/nj/>

#### early October

- **New York Comic Con**
- Place: Jacob K. Javits Convention Center
- Price: Entrance fees cost \$55 a day, or \$190 for a 4-day pass.
- <http://www.newyorkcomiccon.com>

#### late November (3 days)

- **Anime NYC**
- Place: 429 11th Ave, New York, NY 10001
- Price: \$40-\$65
- <http://animenyc.com>

### The Japan Club at LaGuardia Community College: Get involved and receive updates



- Meeting: 2:15-4:25pm on Wednesday (Check Discord for the room)
- Website: <https://t-nagano.com/projects/JapanClub/>
- Discord: Contact [LaGuardiaJapanClub@gmail.com](mailto:LaGuardiaJapanClub@gmail.com) for an invitation link.
- Email: [LaGuardiaJapanClub@gmail.com](mailto:LaGuardiaJapanClub@gmail.com)
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