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Hina Matsuri, the girls' festival, is March 3rd and there are almost 2 dozen Hina Doll exhibits throughout the city running now until mid-March to mid-April. See the link for details (日本語 only)
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Oshaberi Salon

Your neighborhood Niigata City CIRs each host conversation (oshaberi) hours where they talk and lead discussions in Japanese about topics related to their home country and cross-cultural understanding. Here are this month's events!



Oshaberi Salon- America

This will be led by Charlie, yours truly, the city's American CIR. This session will be about universities in America.

When: March. 13th (Tue) 14:00~15:00

Place: CrossPal Niigata 2nd floor Exchange Salon (NCIEF)

Oshaberi Salon- Russia

This will be led by Yuliya, the city's Russian CIR. This session will be learning after schooling in Russia.

When: March 22nd (Thu) 14:00~15:00

Sake no Jin

Niigata's annual sake festival is back! The second weekend of March, at Toki Messe there will be over 500 different types of rice wine from 90 different breweries to sample for only 2,500 yen at the door (for all you can drink!). Check out the schedule posted on their website to see when the Furumachi Geigi will perform!

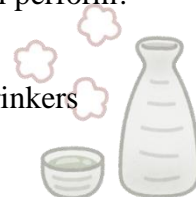
Date: March 10th (Sat) and 11th (Sun) 10:00~18:00

Place: Toki Messe

Fee: 2,000JPY if you pre-order, 2,500 JPY at the door, 1,500 JPY after 3PM, free for non-drinkers

Website: [http://sakenojin.jp/english/!](http://sakenojin.jp/english/)

Blog Post: <https://niigataej.wordpress.com/2017/02/24/sake-no-jin/>



NCIEF Spring Japanese Classes



Applications for spring session Japanese classes are now open! Morning and evening classes are available in various beginner or intermediate levels. Stop in to the Friendship Center to pick up an application and get more information. Application forms are due by March 20th, however, if you miss the deadline, do not hesitate to come in and talk with us about it. If you are applying for the A class, check out the Beginners' Japanese Preparatory Class, listed as the star in the chart below.

Classes Content and Schedule		Days of the Week	Times	Class Duration	Total Class Hours	Class Fee Single
★	Special 4-day class for those registering for A class. Learn basics such as hiragana.	T W Th F	10:00-12:00	3/27-3/30	8h (4 times)	1,500 yen
A	Study beginner level materials while pursuing the basics of daily-life conversational skills.	T & F	10:00-12:00	4/3-8/10	72h (36 times)	15,000 yen
B		W & F		4/4-8/8		
C	Review beginner level materials in preparation for intermediate content.	T & Th		4/3-8/7		
D	Comprehensively study Japanese while striving for proficiency in practical Japanese conversation.	Th		4/5-8/9	36h (18 times)	9,000 yen
		F	4/6-8/10			
I	Study beginner level materials while pursuing the basics of daily-life conversational skills.	T & Th	18:30-20:00	4/3-8/7	54h (36 times)	11,500 yen
II		F		4/6-8/10	27h (18 times)	7,000 yen
III	Review beginner level materials while studying Japanese more comprehensively.	T		4/3-7/31	27h (18 times)	7,000 yen

★Beginners' Japanese Preparatory Class

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