



Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Project “The Provision of Equipment for Rice Quality Enhancement” (Commissioning Ceremony)

The Embassy of Japan has provided US\$96,082 to provide 27 destoners, 27 generators and extension cords, through Nasarawa Agricultural Development Programme to members of Lafia Rice Millers and Dealers Association in Lafia Local Government Area of Nasarawa State. This project is an expansion of the successful project called “Rice Post-Harvest Processing and Marketing Pilot Project in Nasarawa and Niger States (RIPMAPP)”, implemented by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) from 2011. The commissioning ceremony was held on 9th November 2016 at Lafia Local Government Area, Nasarawa State.



Mr. Masaya Otsuka, Deputy Head of Mission of Japan to Nigeria, giving a speech



Short performance by the community

For more information: [http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/j/photo_gallery/20161109%20Lafia%20Nasarawa%20destoners%20\(English\).pdf](http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/j/photo_gallery/20161109%20Lafia%20Nasarawa%20destoners%20(English).pdf)

Japanese TV Drama on Nigeria Television Authority (NTA)

Nigeria Television Authority has commenced the broadcast of Japanese TV drama, "Carnation". The program airs on NTA Entertainment (CHANNEL 105) Startime on Thursdays - 8pm, Fridays - 10:30am, and Saturdays - 2pm.

Carnation depicts the turbulent life of the mother of three daughters who become internationally known fashion designers. It's a fictionalized account of the lives of the talented Koshino sisters and their remarkable mother.

Born in 1913, Itoko is the eldest daughter of a textile dealer in Osaka. One day after a fateful encounter with a sewing machine, Itoko drops out of school against her father's strong objections, and starts her training as a seamstress. At age 20, she opens the dress shop she once saw in a dream. She enters into an arranged marriage with a tailor, but her husband dies before the war ends. Itoko now faces the task of running the dress shop as well as raising three daughters all by herself. Weaving together tears and laughter, this series shows the struggles of a woman who achieves success in the fashion industry, while raising her three spirited daughters.

Starring: Machiko ONO as Itoko / Kaoru KOBAYASHI as Itoko's father

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For more information: <http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/Document/culture/CARNATION%>

Japanese TV Drama on Africa Independent Television (AIT)

Africa Independent Television has commenced the broadcast of Japanese TV drama, “Mother Inlaw versus Daughter Inlaw’. The program airs on AIT every Sunday at 11:30am.

It is a home drama about the clash between a former career woman and the madam of a distinguished Japanese inn.

Naoko, a career woman from Tokyo marries Sosuke, son of a distinguished Japanese inn owner located in Kanazawa. However, the inn’s madam – Sosuke’s mother – rejected her son’s marriage to an “out-sister”. One day, Sosuke vanishes, leaving behind him a large debt. To make things worse, Naoko’s company goes out of business. In effort to pay off Sosuke’s debts, Naoko tells the madam that she wants to work at the inn.

Mother-in-law vs. Daughter-in-law is full of beautiful Japanese scenery and traditions. The story illustrates a real female character through her clash with her mother-in-law.

The English version was produced in cooperation with the Japan Foundation.



For more information: <http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/Document/culture/20160930%20MOTHER%20INLAW%20VS%20DAUGHTER%20INLAW%20FLYER%202.pdf>

Scholarship Program and Study in Japan

Government of Japan (Monbukagakusho: MEXT) Scholarship for Teachers Training

The Government of Japan will provide scholarship for Nigerian Primary/Secondary School Teachers who desire to take teachers training course and learn Japanese Language at Japanese universities in the academic year beginning in October 2017.

The scholarship is open to graduates of universities and teachers training colleges no more than thirty-four (34) years of age (must be born on or after April 2, 1982), who have worked as teachers in primary/secondary schools or teacher training colleges for at least five years in their home countries at the time of application.

Deadline for submission of completed application forms is January 31, 2017. Completed application forms should be submitted in person or by special mail to: Information and Cultural Section, at the Embassy.

For more information: <http://www.ng.emb-japan.go.jp/mext%20education.html>

Scholarship program in University of Tsukuba

Application for Scholarship program in Economic and Public Policy (2017-2019) at the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Tsukuba is now open. Application period starts November 2nd 2016 and ends February 28th 2017.

This scholarship is sponsored by the Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program and by the Asian Development Bank-Japan Scholarship Program.

For more information: <http://pepp.hass.tsukuba.ac.jp/admission/>

Study in Japan

'Study in Japan' provides a comprehensive guide made available for prospective students who wish to study in Japan, foreign students in Japan, or former foreign students who studied in Japan. It includes answers to frequently asked questions, event information, and other related issues about Japanese education system.

For more information: <http://www.studyjapan.go.jp/en/>

International Competitions and Exhibitions

The 11th International Ceramics Competition MINO Japan

The International Ceramics Festival Mino, Japan Executive committee is proud to announce the 11th International Ceramics Competition MINO Japan. The application period starts: Tuesday, November 1st, 2016, and ends : Tuesday, January 10th, 2017.

For more information: <http://www.icfmino.com/english/icc/>

The 4th Takamatsu International Piano Competition 2018.3.14-3.25

With a legacy stretching back to 2006, the Takamatsu International Piano Competition is an artistic event that provides a forum to bring together top musicians from all over the world. As well as encouraging young people to pursue their dreams and goals of self-development, this international event also aims to foster a new culture of music in Kagawa.

Application period is from 1st April 2017 - 20th September 2017 (The application should be postmarked not later than 20th September 2017.) Those eligible to apply must be individuals born between 1st January 1983 and 1st January 2003.

*Application shall be sent by registered mail within Japan and by Express Mail Service from overseas.

For more information: http://www.tipc.jp/4th/english_index.html

Matsumae International Foundation (MIF)

The MIF has started receiving application for “2018 Research Fellowship Programme”. Application has opened and will close August 31, 2017.

Matsumae International Foundation (MIF) was founded with the concept of achieving greater understanding of Japan and a Lasting World Peace.

For more information: <http://www.mif-japan.org/fellowship/announcement/?hl=en>

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