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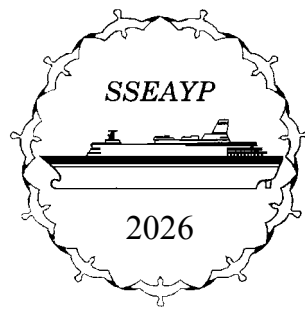
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The 49th Ship for Southeast Asian and Japanese Youth Program in 2026

Audience with H.I.H. Princess Kako of Akishino



National Leaders, Youth Leaders and Assistant Youth Leaders (22nd January)

Courtesy Call on H.E. Ms. TAKAICHI Sanae, Prime Minister of Japan



National Leaders, Youth Leaders and Assistant Youth Leaders (16th January)

Country Program in Japan

Inauguration Ceremony (16th January)



Group Photo of all participants

Local Program (17th-20th January)

Iwate



Dancing the Morioka Sansa Odori with Local Youth (17th January)



Learning about the disaster damage and the path to recovery at the Iwate Tsunami Memorial Museum (19th January)



Group photo at the Takatamatsubara Tsunami Reconstruction Memorial Park after offering a silent prayer (19th January)



Listening to the personal experiences of foreign disaster survivors at the Rikuzentakata International Association (19th January)

Chiba



Group photo on the grassy area alongside the runway at Narita International Airport (17th January)



Meeting with Host Families at the Homestay Matching (17th January)



Enjoying a strawberry picking experience at Hiroguchi Strawberry Farm (19th January)



Attending a lecture on Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) at the International University of Health and Welfare (20th January)

Toyama



Group photo at Toyama Municipal Central Elementary School after a cultural exchange with students (19th January)



Experience making original photo frames at Toyama Glass Studio (19th January)



Interacting with students at University of Toyama (19th January)



Experiencing the creation of traditional Kumiko woodworking at TANIHATA Co., Ltd. (20th January)

Tokushima



Bidding farewell to Host Families (19th January)



Viewing an exhibition on the Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai at the Tokushima Prefectural Government Office (19th January)



Experiencing e-sports at Tokushima College of Technology (19th January)



Dancing the Awa Odori together at the Farewell Ceremony (19th January)

Nagasaki



Meeting with Host Families at the Homestay Matching (17th January)



Listening to the testimony of a family member of an atomic bomb survivor at the peace study session (19th January)



Exchanging views during the peace study session (19th January)



Offering a silent prayer in front of the Hypocenter Cenotaph (19th January)

Field Study (23rd January)



Opening remarks by Mr. KIKAWADA Hitoshi, Minister of State for Youth Affairs of the Cabinet Office (Read by Mr. MIZUNO Atsushi, Director General for Policy Coordination, Cabinet Office)



Visiting Kamakura City (DG2: Economic Growth and Sustainable & Responsible Tourism Group)



Visiting the waste treatment facility of Alfo Co., Ltd. (DG3: Global Environment and Climate Change Group)



Visiting the Metropolitan Area Outer Underground Discharge Channel (DG4: Disaster Risk Reduction and Recovery Group)



Visiting Social Welfare Corporation 'Kotoen' (DG5: Social Welfare and Inclusion Group)



Visiting SAP Japan (DG6: Digital Society and AI Group)

Cultural Exchange Program (23rd January)



Japan



Lao P.D.R.

Departure Ceremony (26th January)



Opening remarks by Mr. KIKAWADA Hitoshi, Minister of State for Youth Affairs of the Cabinet Office (Read by Mr. MIZUNO Atsushi, Director General for Policy Coordination, Cabinet Office)



Group Photo with Mr. MIZUNO Atsushi, Director General for Policy Coordination, Cabinet Office and National Leaders

Country Program in Singapore



Opening remarks by Mr. David Neo, Acting Minister for Culture, Community and Youth, at the Welcome Dinner (4th February)



Visiting Impart Singapore (DG1: Quality Education Group) (5th February)



Visiting Sentosa Development Corporation (DG2: Economic Growth and Sustainable & Responsible Tourism Group) (5th February)



Visiting ALBA E-Waste (DG3: Global Environment and Climate Change Group) (5th February)



Visiting SCDF Civil Defence Academy (DG4: Disaster Risk Reduction and Recovery Group) (5th February)



Visiting Enabling Village (DG5: Social Welfare and Inclusion Group) (5th February)



Visiting Science Centre Singapore (DG6: Digital Society and AI Group) (5th February)



Speech by Youth Leader of Cambodia at the Departure Ceremony (8th February)

Country Program in Thailand



Speech by Mr. Kantapong Rangsesawang, Permanent Secretary Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, at the Welcome Ceremony (11th February)



Speech by Youth Leader of Viet Nam at the Welcome Dinner (11th February)



Performance by Participating Youths of Viet Nam at the Welcome Dinner (11th February)



Visiting the Faculty of Political Science, Chulalongkorn University (SG-A, SG-B, SG-C) (12th February)



Hands-on Thai Cooking Experience (SG-D, SG-E) (12th February)



Visiting Thai Parliament (SG-F, SG-G) (12th February)



Group Photo at the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security (SG-H, SG-I, SG-J) (12th February)



Meeting Host Families at the Homestay Matching (13th February)

Onboard Activities

Discussion Program



Group Discussion (DG1: Quality Education Group)



Presentation of Group Discussions (DG2: Economic Growth and Sustainable & Responsible Tourism Group)



Listening to the Facilitator's Briefing (DG3: Global Environment and Climate Change Group)



Group Discussion (DG4: Disaster Risk Reduction and Recovery Group)



Presenting Group Work to the Facilitator (DG5: Social Welfare and Inclusion Group)



Presentation of Group Discussions (DG6: Digital Society and AI Group)



Final Presentation of Discussion Results (DG1: Quality Education Group)



Final Presentation of Discussion Results (DG4: Disaster Risk Reduction and Recovery Group)



Government Officials and Participating Youths Listening to the Final Presentations



Group Photo at the Final Presentation

Lecture by the Administrator



Lecture to the Participating Youths by Mr. MAKINO Masahiro, Administrator (28th January)



Lecture to the Participating Youths by Captain SEKIYA Tadashi (28th January)

SG Activities



Inter-SG Games and Competitions (31st January)



Cross-Team Building (2nd February)

Peer Learning Seminar



Learning First Aid and Bandaging Techniques (Malaysia)



Learning How to Upcycle Waste into Handicrafts and Goods (Lao P.D.R.)



Learning the Basics of Sign Exact English (Brunei Darussalam)



Discussing Mental Well-being for Gen Z (Cambodia)

Voluntary Activities



Mizuhiki Workshop: Exploring Traditional Japanese Arts



Timor-Leste Booth at the Joint Voluntary Activity: Coffee and Chocolate Theme

National Presentation



Brunei Darussalam



Cambodia



Indonesia



Japan



Lao P.D.R.



Malaysia



Philippines



Singapore



Timor-Leste



Thailand



Viet Nam



PYs thanking the Nippon Maru crew at the Philippines National Presentation

Flag Hoisting Ceremony



Singapore



Thailand

Summary Forum (16th February)



Presentation by the Participating Youths from Indonesia



Presentation by the Participating Youth from Philippines



Presentation by the Participating Youth from Thailand



Speech by Mr. David Tomas de Deus, Director General for Youth, Ministry of Youth, Sport, Art, and Culture

Farewell Ceremony (16th February)



Speech by Youth Leader of Philippines on behalf of the Participating Youths



Presentation of the Certificate of Completion to Youth Leader of Thailand

Farewell Party (16th February)



Joint Farewell Speech by Youth Leader of Lao P.D.R. and Youth Leader of Japan on behalf of the Participating Youth



Cultural Performance by the Participating Youth from Singapore



Group Photo of all participants

Participants



SG-A



SG-B



SG-C



SG-D



SG-E



SG-F



SG-G



SG-H



SG-I



SG-J



National Leaders



Facilitators



OBSC Representatives



Administrative Staff



Crew