

# Santa Fe JIN Newsletter

## Ninth Annual Japan Festival

The Ninth Annual Japanese Cultural Festival will be held at the Santa Fe Community Convention Center on Saturday, April 20, 2013 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The theme is kimono. Please visit <http://www.santafejin.org/Matsuri/Matsuri2013.aspx> for further information. The flyer for the event is the last page of this newsletter. Please distribute!

## Matsuri Volunteers Needed

JIN members, family and friends: Festival volunteer opportunities are still available to help on Friday and Saturday, April 19 and 20th. Please email or call Volunteer Coordinator Rose Himrod at [santafejinhimrod@aol.com](mailto:santafejinhimrod@aol.com) or text/call 505-231-2246. Thank you for your help!

## Japanese Language Classes

Santa Fe JIN offers Japanese language classes to members at the great rate of \$10 per hour! Classes are held weekly and payment is due at the beginning of each month.

We are planning a new beginners' class. This class is scheduled for Mondays from 5:10 pm - 6:10 pm. The class will accommodate both those with no former Japanese language experience and those with some previous instruction. We need a couple more students to get the class started.

We also are looking to increase the number of stu-

dents in our intermediate Japanese class. The students in this class generally have had 2 years or more of Japanese language study with a knowledge of the hiragana, katakana, and kanji writing systems (500+ kanji). Classes cover a wide range of subject areas, including grammar, vocabulary, kanji, reading, and discussion.

The location for the classes is at the teacher's home, off Airport Road. Please contact Maggie if you're interested or need more details: (505) 603-4408 or [maggie12353@yahoo.com](mailto:maggie12353@yahoo.com).

## Japan Trip Preparatory Meeting

Shizuko will be holding the first meeting for her Japan trip on Saturday, April 13 at 3:00pm. It will be held at Shizuko's house, 3649 Mimbres Lane, Santa Fe 87507. We will be discussing the itinerary. Shizuko is open to changing it anyway you all want. Please join us for sencha tea and sweets!

Hope to see you!

— Shizuko

## Old Japan Through the Eyes of a Romantic

Bruce Fertmanm a JIN member who has visited Japan annually for the past 24 years. Based on his time there, he has compiled a brief slideshow of photographs he calls "Old Japan Through the Eyes of a Romantic". The slideshow can be viewed at <http://vimeo.com/40307660>.