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The Fifth Japanese Speech Contest  
for University Students

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2010

To take place at the Khalili Theatre,  
School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS),  
University of London

Deadline for applications:  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2009

## Prizes

### Category 1

**First prize:**

Return Air Ticket to Japan – donated by Japan Airlines  
£1,000 – donated by Baker & McKenzie LLP  
Japan Rail Pass – donated by the Japan Centre

**Second prize:**

Digital Camera – donated by Ricoh UK Ltd  
£500 – donated by Baker & McKenzie LLP

**Other prizes will include:** Restaurant "Matsuri" Meal Voucher – donated by Central Japan Railway Company  
3-month Japanese newsletter subscriptions – donated by Eikoku News Digest  
Tea sets – donated by the Japan Centre Goody bags – donated by JP-Books (JPT Europe Ltd.)

### Category 2

**First prize:**

Notebook PC – donated by Toshiba of Europe Ltd  
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**Second prize:**

Digital Camera – donated by Ricoh UK Ltd  
£200 – donated by Baker & McKenzie LLP

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# The Fifth Japanese Speech Contest for University Students

## Aims

The main purpose of the event is to improve the speaking skills of students studying Japanese as a foreign language. Through this event, we hope to promote Japanese language learning at higher education level in the UK and Ireland. The contest is organised by the British Association for Teaching Japanese as a Foreign Language (BATJ) and the Japan Foundation London Language Centre (JFLLC).

## Outline

**Eligibility:** Undergraduate students who are currently studying Japanese as a foreign language at a university in the UK or Ireland. Postgraduate students are not eligible.

**Category 1:** Those who are studying Japanese as a degree course or as part of a degree course, who have less than a total of three years' residence in Japan. Please note that those who have attended Japanese schools (e.g. nursery, primary and secondary schools) for more than one year are not eligible.

**Category 2:** Those who are studying Japanese for a non-degree course at a university (i.e. an elective, optional or university-based language course). Please note that those who have spent a total of three months or more in Japan are not eligible for category 2, but may be eligible for category 1.

Candidates with Japanese parents are welcome to apply.

## Procedure

- 1) Candidates should submit their application form by email by Sunday November 22nd 2009. (All candidates will receive feedback on their application.)
- 2) All candidates will undergo a telephone interview which will be recorded and evaluated, resulting in the selection of 5-6 finalists in each category. Candidates are requested to explain the theme and outline of their speech at the interview. Successful candidates (i.e. finalists) will be notified in mid-December 2009.
- 3) The finals will be held on 27th February 2010 in London. Speeches in Category 1 should be 8-10 minutes long, and will be followed by a 5-minute question and answer session. Speeches in Category 2 should be 6-8 minutes long, and will be followed by a 3-minute question and answer session. Prizes will be awarded to the winners and runners-up in both categories.

Reasonable travel expenses for finalists will be reimbursed by the organisers.

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Application forms can be downloaded from the following websites:

The Japan Foundation: [www.jpf.org.uk/language/](http://www.jpf.org.uk/language/) BATJ: [www.batj.org.uk](http://www.batj.org.uk)