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1:00pm – 1:10pm

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1:10pm – 1:55pm

Speech Category
2:10pm – 3:30pm

Intervals and Group Presentation
3:30pm – 4:30pm

Intervals and Video from Past Finalists
4:30pm – 5:10pm

Award Ceremony
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**Judges and Prizes**

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- Dr DANJO Chisato
  Lecturer in Japanese and Linguistics, York St John University

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**Individual Presentation Category**

- **Studying Japanese at Post-Beginner Level**
  - Vytautas Juozas Valutka
    3rd year at University of Nottingham
    BSc Economics
    The origin of the Chione Sukihara Sakura Park in Vilnius, Lithuania

- **Studying Japanese as either a Degree or Non-degree Course**
  - Emma Kirk Martin
    4th year at SOAS University of London
    BA Japanese
    A future in the increasingly isolated Japanese society

- **Studying Japanese at Beginner Level**
  - Emily Owen
    4th year at University of Edinburgh
    Japanese and Linguistics
    The Power of Words: How Translation Connects Hearts and Saves the World

- **Speech Category**
  - Ellis Warren
    4th year at SOAS University of London
    BA Japanese and Economics
    The Power of Diversity: The future of Japanese Society where foreign students play an increasingly important role

- **Group Presentation Category**
  - Tessa Rizzoli
    4th year at University of Cambridge
    Japanese Studies
    Mottainai and Kintsugi: Let’s Read Japanese, Oxford Brookes University

- **Jaco Lee (Biological Sciences)**
- **Chelsey Elmore (Japanese and Linguistics)**
- **Jakub Gad (Japanese and Linguistics)**
- **Hannah McCormick (MA Japanese)**
- **Chengruo Jing (Chemical Engineering)**
- **Chelsea McElroy (Japanese and Chinese)**
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- £150 (Connect Job)
- Journal (Globe-Trotter)
- Two-month subscription to Online Nikkei (Nikkei Europe)
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**Second Prize**
- £100 (Regions)
- ¥6,000 vouchers (Ningyocho IMAHAN)
- A one-month subscription to Online Nikkei (Nikkei Europe)
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- **First Prize**
  - JAL Mileage Bank 55,000 miles
  - (the equivalent of possible exchange to JAL Economy Class ticket to Japan) (Japan Airlines)
  - Japan Rail Pass
    (Central Japan Railway Company)
  - Business Card Holder
    (Globe-Trotter)

- **Second Prize**
  - 360 Degree Camera
    (Ricoh UK Ltd)
  - Luxury Japanese Sushi Kit
    (Cleanspring)
  - £150 (Connect Job)
  - Journal (Globe-Trotter)

- **All Groups**
  - £100 (Regions)
  - “Let’s Read Japanese” textbook sets (Oxford Brookes University)

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- **First Prize**
  - Business Card Holder
    (Globe-Trotter)
  - £190 Japan Centre vouchers
    (Japan Centre)
  - £100 (Regions)

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    (Globe-Trotter)
  - Luxury Japanese Sushi Kit
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  - £6,000 vouchers (Ningyocho IMAHAN)
  - One-month subscription to Online Nikkei (Nikkei Europe)

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**Finalists Speech and Presentation Order**

- Emilia Wythe
  4th year at University of East Anglia
  Translation & Interpretation (Double Honours Japanese & Spanish)
  The Ryukyuan languages continue to be classified as a dialect?

- Sacha Oriet
  2nd year at SOAS University of London
  BA Japanese
  The Swiss Army - A mean to achieve neutrality

- Beija Zhang
  4th year at Durham University
  Accounting and Finance with Study Abroad
  How can Rigai make the world a better place?

- Vesela Georgieva
  2nd year at University of Sheffield
  Japanese Studies
  The role of the family in the increasingly isolated Japanese society

- Joshua Ken Yeo
  3rd year at Imperial College London
  MSci Chemistry
  Elements in Chemistry

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  4th year at University of Cambridge
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