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Ee Jean Poh

University of Warwick

マレーシアの「ママック」

Malaysia's Mamaks

Presentation Abstract:

Found as commonly as convenience stores are in Japan, Malaysia's Mamaks are a form of Indian Muslim food establishments unique to the region. More than just a place to dine, the vibrant atmosphere of a Mamak makes it the perfect place to gather with loved ones. That being said, having taken Mamaks for granted, it was only after coming to the United Kingdom that I realised the significance and specialty of Mamaks. As I reminisce of my times back home, I hope that you too, will be reminded of an aspect of your home country that you hold dear to your heart.

Sebastian Serrao Skomial

University of Manchester

ヨーロッパの消滅危機言語

Europe's Languages on the Verge of Extinction

Presentation Abstract:

Europe is home to around 600 languages which are endangered, varying from only slightly vulnerable to critically endangered. In this presentation I will briefly talk about two endangered languages (Basque and Manx) but focus on two outliers which are particularly interesting. Irish and Belarussian, despite being the official languages of Ireland and Belarus are endangered and vulnerable respectively, this situation is unique

to Europe due to its dense cultural density. I will also touch on why we should as a world care about preserving languages and why this is a severe problem.

Evangeline Sarah Dupret
University of Sheffield

エスカラード祭

L'Escalade (Fête de l'Escalade Geneva/Escalade festival)

Presentation Abstract:

The Escalade Festival celebrates the protestant republic of Geneva's victory defending against the catholic Duke of Savoy's invasion during the night of the 11th to 12th of December 1602. The festival is called "Escalade" ("to climb a wall" in French) in reference to the Savoy soldiers who climbed the walls of Geneva.

Today, Escalade Festival is celebrated in many ways, such as medieval costumed parades, races around the old town, songs, vegetable soup, and chocolate.

The Escalade Festival is not only a declaration of the people of Geneva's identity, but also an expression of the traditions, history, and patriotism of Geneva.

Patricia Szeto
University of Cambridge

香港の風水文化

Fengshui Belief in Hong Kong

Presentation Abstract:

FengShui is a Chinese traditional belief that has infiltrated the lives of Hong Kong people. From peculiar buildings to FengShui books, all these show the importance of FengShui in Hong Kong society. However, the effects and legitimacy of FengShui are still being contested to this day. In this presentation, I will introduce what FengShui is and how it influences the lives of Hong Kong people. I will then discuss the effectiveness of FengShui and its contested nature as a science. Lastly, I would explain why people believe in FengShui despite its controversial nature and I hope we can reflect on the impact of this deeply entrenched belief.

Thomas Merryfield
The University of Edinburgh

文化対虐待 闘牛の論争

Culture VS Cruelty The Controversy of Bullfighting

Presentation Abstract:

I am sure many of you know about the ancient Spanish tradition of bullfighting, yet did you know that it has become a controversial topic in recent decades? Despite its deep cultural significance to the country and great importance for the economy, bullfighting's future is becoming more uncertain each year. This is due to the influence of the animal rights movement, a troubled national economy, and a lessening interest in the art form. Do you think bullfighting should be banned? Which side would you take in the contest between preserving cultural heritage and protecting animal rights?

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- 1) ありサトウございます Piece of cake** The University of Cambridge
(Millie Fuller, Alex Brow, Emily Kitkat, Nikita Lopatinsky)
一番好きなイギリスのデザート
Our favourite British desserts
- 2) ザ・エディンバーガーズ The Edinburgers** The University of Edinburgh
(Callum Westbury, Jess Pearson, Milo Campbell)
バークとヘア
Burke & Hare
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(Zongtao Wang, Xucheng He, Ben Scott)
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Spa Towns
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(Ariana Fazakas, Tobi Ewuosho)
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Keele's Cherry Blossoms
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ありサトウございます Piece of cake
The University of Cambridge

一番好きなイギリスのデザート
Our favourite British desserts

Presentation Abstract:

What is your favourite dessert? Where does it come from? Today, we will be discussing our favourite British desserts, each of us trying to convince the others that ours is best. Is it carrot cake, a popular dessert with a long history? Or is it sticky toffee pudding, an indulgent dessert best served with ice cream? Consider also fifteens, a Northern Irish treat that is the simplest to make. Or perhaps Eton mess, a British dessert that has an interesting origin story. We will do our best to convince you, but the choice is up to you.

ザ・エディンバーガーズ The Edinburgers
The University of Edinburgh

バークとヘア
Burke & Hare

Presentation Abstract:

Burke and Hare were two serial killers, active in Edinburgh between 1827 and 1828, responsible for the deaths of around 16 people. During the early 1800s, grave robbery was rife as people could make money selling bodies to the medical school. Eventually precautions in and around the graveyards were set up, which meant that a new method had to be used to supply bodies—murder. This presentation will discuss the history of Edinburgh and its relationship with these killers, including the history of the medical school, how they got away with their killing, and how they were eventually caught.

ブライズメイド Bridemaid
King's College London

結婚式
Wedding

Presentation Abstract:

The 'bridesmaid' presentation discusses and compares different wedding traditions from our respective backgrounds. Focusing on the clothing similarities and difference, as well as touching upon unique traditions; the presentation briefly contrasts British, Chinese and Nigerian weddings.

おんせんたまご Hot Spring Egg
University of Warwick

スパ都市
Spa Towns

Presentation Abstract:

Hot springs are places where water heated by the earth reaches the surface, the water often contains healthy minerals and so in England they were often seen as sites of healing for people to visit. People also built public baths on the hot springs too giving the towns the title of "Spa" towns. In this presentation we will talk about how they came about, when they were used and what they are like today. We will also compare them to Japanese onsen built on the same natural hot springs.

キール大学さくら組 Keele University's Cherry Blossom Class
Keele University

キールのさくら
Keele's Cherry Blossoms

Presentation Abstract:

Keele University's National Collection of Flowering Cherries is known and appreciated amongst Japan's sakura experts, but did you know about it too?

Explore a novel connection that exists in the relationship between the UK and Japan, as we delve into all things sakura in this presentation!

As our students reminisce over their experiences studying in Japan, learn about the vast variety of cherry tree species that can be found on Keele's campus and exhibited by different publications in Japan.