

# What's New?

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## The 23<sup>rd</sup> Niihama Global Party “Just One World”

Niihama's 23<sup>rd</sup> Global Party was held at Women's Plaza on February 17<sup>th</sup> with the theme of “Just One World”. The weather was very fine and warm, so about 380 guests and organizers from 14 countries took part in it. The party started with Okinawa folk songs. Participants were able to meet people from different culture and eat a lot of various foreign sweets.

This time participants were able to experience special activities for the first time. People experienced an earthquake simulator, as well as a building smoke simulator and fire extinguisher. About one third of the participants tried and enjoyed these activities.

On stage there were Indonesian folk music and dance and then Mongolian Dance. Traditional Japanese Drum Performance and a skillful magic show were performed. People enjoyed Pressed-flower art, Origami, Copper Craftsmanship, Calligraphy and wearing Yukata and folk costumes. The party ended with the Bamboo Dance and everybody had a very good time.

### How did you like the Global Party?

- The Global Party was very fun. It was great to meet so many people from this area, especially from so many different countries. We enjoyed the performances very much, such as the taiko show.
- It was the first time for me to come to the Global Party. The atmosphere was very at home, so I thought it was very nice. I hope you'll keep this style next year too.

- I had a wonderful time meeting people and making friends from around the world. I ate Indonesian tempura. It was very spicy. I needed to eat 2 desserts to cool my mouth down but it was very delicious. This was my 2<sup>nd</sup> time and it was the most exciting because there was an earthquake machine and a tunnel of smoke. I missed the chance to try the earthquake machine so I'll have to come again next year.
- A lot of people tried Pressed flower Art, but there were less foreign people than last year. I hope more foreign people will come next year.
- I had a very good time. Foods were very delicious. In the Building smoke simulator, I was not able to see anything. It was fun. It was the first time for me, but I thought various costumes were beautiful and different dances were wonderful.
- Well done to the organizers for another wonderful Global Party! I think it would be nice to have rows of chairs in front of the stage so we can enjoy the performances more.
- Having the Jishin Taisaku was a mistake. Those people who tried it were not interested in the Global Party. Many people came only for that, not for anything international. Please don't include it next time.
- I had a great time and it was a great experience for my children to see people & things from foreign cultures. It was my third Global Party and I'll be back next year!

### The Number of the Participants

Nationality	male	female	Total
Brazil	1	1	2
Canada	1	1	2
China	19	1	20
Indonesia	9	10	19
Korea		1	1
Malaysia	8	2	10
Mongolia	1	2	3
New Zealand	1		1
The Philippines		2	2
Russia	4	3	7
UK	1		1
USA	5	3	8
Vietnam	2		2
Japan	300		300
<b>Total</b>			<b>378</b>

## March Event

- 3 / 3(Sun) & 3 / 17(Sun) **Sunday Market**

Time :7:30 ~12:00

Place: Street on east side of Niihama Central Park

- 3/19(Tue) & 3/ 26(Tue)

### Taiko (Japanese Drum) Trial Class

Time: 19:30 ~21:00

Place: Bunka Center main hall

(Entrance is behind the building)

Easy wear, shoes, towel, water are needed.

Tel: 32-4028

**Beginners are welcome!**



Exploring Restaurants: Yakiniku

No. 14

JanJaka

by Brad Patterson



This restaurant is my family's favorite for special occasions, like birthdays. The meat is well seasoned, the sauces are excellent and the kids have fun cooking. For the more budget minded, try their lunch sets, which include a variety of meats, sides and a drink for under ¥1000. Directions: It is located in the Fuji Grand Niihama parking lot, next to Tsutaya and Medico21.

# MOVIE

## TOHO CINEMAS Niihama (AEON Shopping Center)

December 21 ~	LES MISERABLES	2D English
January 18 ~	TED R15+	English / Dubbed
January 19 ~	LIFE OF PI	3D · 2D English, 3D Dubbed
February 1 ~	JACK REACHER	English / Dubbed
February 14 ~	A GOOD DAY TO DIE HARD	English / Dubbed
February 15 ~	ZERO DARK THIRTY PG12	English
March 1 ~	FLIGHT PG12	English
March 8 ~	OZ: THE GREAT AND POWERFUL	3D & 2D English
March 23 ~ 29	BOOWY 1224 FILM THE MOVIE 2013	

### Information Service

Internet: <http://niihama-aeonmall.com>

Tape (24 hrs): 0897-35-3322 (in Japanese)

Movies might be changed without notice, so please check beforehand.



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## After School Care Club in Niihama

(From the Monthly City Letter, Feb, 2013)

You can apply for this club sponsored by Niihama City.

○ **Who is the club for:**

1 ~ 3 graders of elementary school whose parents work during the day.

○ **Open Hours:**

School days: after school -18:00

No school days:

(Saturdays, spring, summer, winter vacation): 8:00-18:00

○ **Closed:**

Sundays, national holidays, December 29 -January 3.

○ **Fees:**

3000 Yen/month (6000 Yen/August) + cost of snacks

○ **How to Apply**

Please apply directly for the club.

**For further information contact:**

Shakai-kyoiku-ka, City Office TEL:65-1300

(Kids who do not understand Japanese might not be accepted in some clubs.)



## A hint for your life

Some Foods Influences the Effect of Medicines.

You have to be careful about the combination of food and medicine because some of the combinations can do us harm.

Don't take antibiotics together with milk. Antibiotics can combine with the calcium in the milk to make it difficult for the stomach to absorb the antibiotic. Some sour fruit like oranges can dissolve some of the ingredients of antibiotics and make them less effective. Many of the drugs used to lower blood pressure are calcium channel blockers.

Similarly, when you eat grapefruit together with these drugs, blood pressure is likely to be lowered too excessively by the combined effect of the drug and grapefruit.

You can read on the Web.

**\*What's New?**

**\*Garbage and trash Collection Calendar**

**\*Information living in Niihama**

Click  <http://www.city.niihama.lg.jp/english/>

**Clair:\*Multilingual Living Information**

<http://www.clair.or.jp/tagengorev/en/index.html>

# ONEPOINT JAPANESE

## “～んです” No.3

A : そのセーター、よく似合っていますね。

Sono sētā, yoku niatte imasu ne.  
(That sweater looks nice on you!)

B : ありがとう ございます。

Arigatō gozaimasu. (Thank you.)

春らしい色で、わたしも気に入っているんです。

Harurashī iro de, watashi mo kiniitteirun desu.  
(It's a spring-like color, so I also like it.)

A : どこで買ったんですか。Doko de kattan desu ka.

(Where did you buy it?)

B : 誕生日に、母が送ってくれたんです。

Tanjōbi ni, haha ga okutteketetan desu.  
(My mother sent it to me on my birthday.)



A : 何をさがしているんですか。

Nani o sagashiteirun desu ka.  
(What are you looking for?)

B : 自転車のかぎが見あたらないんです。

Jitensha no kagi ga miataranain desu.  
(I can't find my bicycle key.)

確か、ポケットに入れたはずなんですが・・・。

Tashika, poketto ni ireta hazu nan desu ga . . .  
(Surely, I must have put it in my pocket...)

A : うわあ、これ、Bさんが作ったんですか。

Uwa, kore, Bsan ga tsukuttan desu ka.  
(Wow! You made this, B?)

B : ええ、見た目よりずっと簡単にできるんですよ。

Ee, mitame yori zutto kantan ni dekirun desu yo.  
(Yes, it can be made much easier than it looks.)

A : わたしにも作れるでしょうか。Watashi ni mo tsukureru deshō ka.

(Would it be possible for me to make too?)

B : ええ、もちろんです。Ee, mochiron desu. (Yes, of course.)

レシピもありますよ。Reshipi mo arimasu yo.  
(There's a recipe, too.)

A : 是非レパートリーに入りたいです。Zehi repātōri ni iretai desu.

(I really want to add it to my cooking repertoire.)

今度、家でパーティーをするんですが、みんなきっと驚くでしょうね。

Kondo, uchi de pātī o surun desu ga, minna kitto odoroku deshō ne.  
(Soon, I'm going to have a party at my house, and everybody is certain to be surprised!)

< by Niihama Nihongo no Kai >

NNK also provides Japanese lessons for foreigners living in Niihama.

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