February, March 2018 English (英語)

# KIAN Hello Kawasaki

English, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, Portuguese, Tagalog, Easy Japanese versions are available.

**FINAL TAX RETURNS** from the homepage of Council of Local Authorities for International Relations http://www.clair.or.jp/tagengo/ (in English, German, Chinese, Korean, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Thai, Russian and Myanmarese)

People such as independent business proprietors, farmers and freelancers must calculate their income earned over the one-year period from 1 January to 31 December of 2017, calculate the amount of tax to be levied on this sum and file their income tax returns. However, this is not necessary for the majority of salary income earners.

However, salary income earners too will have to file income tax returns in some cases, for example:

- In cases where the person's yearly income from his or her salary is more than 20 million yen
- In cases where the person's salary is paid at two or more places

A copy of the income tax returns can in some cases be necessary when extending or changing status of residence, for example, so you should keep hold of a copy.

\* In the event that you have a dependent in your own country, you can receive a deduction for dependents. Therefore, even if you are a salary income earner but are not receiving a deduction for dependents, you should file your income tax returns and then receive a tax refund.

When to file: Friday, Feb. 16 to Thursday, March 15, 2018

### Necessary documents for income tax returns:

- 1.income tax returns form (available at your tax office)
- \*You will need your Individual Number (My Number) for these forms
- 2. items proving your income over the previous year (certificate of income and withholding tax, or proof of payment form) 3. Residence card 4. Items necessary to receive a deduction for dependents (birth certificate of dependent in your own country, family registry, proof of remittance of money etc.) 5. Items necessary for insurance premium deduction (Proof of insurance deduction) 6. Items necessary for medical expense deduction (receipts) 7. Personal seal or signature etc.

#### Tax offices (Zeimusho) in Kawasaki City:

Nakahara, Takatsu and Miyamae Wards: North Kawasaki Taxation Office (Takatsu-ku,

Hisamoto 2-4-3、TEL 044-852-3221)

Tama and Asao Wards: West Kawasaki Taxation Office (Asao-ku Kamiasao 1-3-14,

Kawasaki West Joint Government Building, TEL 044-965-4911)

Kawasaki and Saiwai Wards: South Kawasaki Taxation Office (Kawasaki-ku, Enokicho 3-18

TEL 044-222-7531)

\* Information in English is available on the National Tax Administration Agency homepage:

Information about Income Tax
National Tax Agency JAPAN

http://www.nta.go.jp/foreign\_language/index.htm

## Japanese Speech Contest for Foreign Residents

Feb. 10, 2018 (Sat)

\*It's free!\*

Time: 1:00 - 3:30pm

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Place: Kawasaki International Center

Foreign residents who have lived in Japan less than five years and who study the Japanese language tell about their new and/or surprising experiences upon coming to Japan.

\*Adul Kanansin (musician from Thailand) performing Thai ethnic music \*get-together for participants and audience after the contest. For junior high school age and up. (Free, but reservation required; first 100 to apply get in).

\*If postponed due to bad weather or other reason, the alternative date is Saturday March 3rd.

## **Events at the International Center**

Class • Event	Date/Time	Fee/Reservation	Description
Useful and Fun Japanese Lessons for Foreigners	Morning Course (Tues, Fri) Jan. 16 – Mar. 13 Evening Course	¥8,670 (+ text fee)	9 to 11 classes divided by levels from beginner to advanced. For the morning class there is childcare for children at least 1 yr old.
にほんご	(Wed) Jan. 10 – March 7	¥4,590 (+ text fee)	Now taking applications. Please bring a photo (3X4cm) when you apply.
Disaster Drill with Foreign Residents  RAIN OR SHINE!	Feb. 16 (Fri) 10:15-11:50	FREE No application necessary.	Japanese and foreign residents will do this drill together. Experience a major earthquake in an earthquake simulator; practice using the "171" disaster message service; take an AED workshop; etc.
Evening Theater Rakugo in English (includes tea and sweets)  Rakugo  Rakugo	Feb. 24 (Sat) 5:00pm	¥2,000 Apply by reply-paid postcard (if too many apply we will hold a lottery) For 5 <sup>th</sup> -year elementary students and up	If you like rakugo, like English, or want to try listening to rakugo in English, then come out for this! Applications must be received by Jan. 31st (Wed)
Spring Break Language Classes (English and others)	planned for March 27 <sup>th</sup> (Tues) - 29 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	¥3,080/class applications taken from early Feb. by reply-paid postcard.	2 English classes (ES 1, ES 2-4) and 1 French class . 3-day classes focusing on interacting with the native-speaker instructor and learning about the culture.
Language Courses for 1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2018	Classes start mid- April	There is a fee. Applications taken from mid-Feb. by reply-paid postcard	10 courses now in the planning stages (English, Chinese, etc.)

## Useful Info!

## About Water, Gas, Electric and Phone When You Move

Multilingual Living Information: http://www.clair.or.jp/tagengorev/ja/m/index.html In Japanese, English, German, Chinese, Korean, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Tagalog, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Thai, Russian, Myanmarese, and easy Japanese.

Kawasaki International Center: Foreign residents can get free advice and information 10-12am, 1-4pm

TEL 044-435-7000

English Monday - Saturday Chinese Portuguese Tuesday, Friday Spanish Korean Tuesday, Thursday Tagalog Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday Tuesday, Wednesday Tuesday, Wednesday

#### Kawasaki Ward Office free counseling:

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Language	Day	Hour		
English	1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	14:00-16:30		
Chinese	1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	14:00-16:30		
Tagalog	1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	9:30-12:00		

#### ·Asao Ward Office free counseling:

Language	Day	Hour
English	1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday	9:30-12:00
Chinese	1st& 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday	9:30-12:00
Tagalog	1st&3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday	14:00-16:30

<sup>\*</sup> Free counseling services (in Japanese) for foreigners on visa and other matters, with an administrative scrivener (Gyōseishoshi) is available at Kawasaki International Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Association Meeting Room. Gyōseishishi next available: Feb. 18, Mar. 18 (Sun), 14:00 - 16:00 (interpreter requires a reservation and a fee.)