

The Japan Foundation, Toronto is Celebrating 30 years in Canada



Dear patrons of the **BEST OF TORONTO JAPANESE FILM FESTIVAL 2020**,

The Japan Foundation, Toronto is thrilled to support this special series, the **Best of Toronto Japanese Film Festival**, which features great Japanese films that have graced the big screen during the past eight years of TJFF programming.

As Toronto and the rest of Canada gradually recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, **The Japan Foundation, Toronto** believes that access to culture can lend power to people and strengthen community ties. Together with our partners like the JCCC, we continue to engage, motivate, and stimulate our patrons and community through online activities: language classes for Japanese language learners and teachers, JFT Book Club, co-presentations of Japanese cinema, exhibitions, as well as our weekly newsletter and regular social media posts that provide interesting content about Japanese culture.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the Japan Foundation in Canada, and in celebration of this landmark year, we have put together a number of activities, including the online **Fellow Gallery** to commemorate past years of valuable intellectual exchange between Canada and Japan, as well as the **Digital Exhibit: 30th Anniversary Logo Contest**, which attracted over 40 entries from across Canada. Over these three decades, we are proud to have partnered with many organizations, and want to express our gratitude to the JCCC and community at large.

Thank you for your support, and please stay safe. We look forward to celebrating the next 30 years of cultural exchange between Japan and Canada!

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