

Results of the First Australia-Japan Relations Essay Contest for NSW & NT Secondary School Students 2014

The Consulate-General of Japan is proud to announce the results of the inaugural Australia-Japan Relations Essay Contest for New South Wales and Northern Territory Secondary School Students.

Background

The former national Australia-Japan relations essay contest ended in 2013 in its thirty-first year, however, the Consul-General of Japan in Sydney, Mr Masato Takaoka was keen to provide students in NSW and the NT, the consulate's jurisdiction, with the opportunity to learn about Japan and Japan-Australia relations. So the new contest for the secondary school students in NSW and the NT was born.

Thank you to all the teachers and students who took part in the contest. Thank you too to our sponsors JAL and JTB and to our supporter Kinokuniya for their renewed commitment to furthering understanding between Japan and Australia.

The contest is planned to take place again in 2015 and will take place earlier in the academic year.

Prize winners

Senior Division (Years 9-12)

Ms Emily Kim North Sydney Girls' High School
Mr Luke English Central Coast Grammar School
Mr James Patterson Christian Brothers High School Lewisham
Mr Darius Dorranean Holy Cross College
Ms Isabel Fang Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Bora Hyoung North Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Yasmine Johnson North Sydney Girls' High School
Mr Joel Kennaway NT Open Education
Ms Ivy Loncar Randwick Girls' High School
Ms Vivien Thuy Nguyen Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Karin Nishimuta-Jang North Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Jasmine Rou Kambala
Ms Amy Zhu Sydney Girls' High School

Junior Division (Years 7-8)

Ms Simone Cooper St Columba's Catholic College
Mr Henry Donaldson Cranbrook School
Ms Carey Guo North Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Emily Cong North Sydney Girls' High School
Mr Geran Dunlop Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College
Mr Caleb Gill Cardiff High School
Ms Josephine Greenall-Ota Kambala
Mr Zaidyn Melrose Elderslie High School
Mr Ryan Nightingale St Columba's Catholic College
Ms Rutika Ranade Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Joyce Wang North Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Jackie Yao North Sydney Girls' High School
Ms Doris Zhang Sydney Girls' High School

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School of the Year

The School of the Year Prize was awarded to **North Sydney Girls' High School**, whose Japanese teachers have already given us a list of books that will be their prize. We hope they will prove useful to the Japanese language students.

The Junior Division first-prize winner also receives a prize of books, and the Senior Division first-prize winner receives a trip to Japan courtesy of our sponsors Japan Airlines (air ticket) and JTB Australia (travel and accommodation in Japan).

An awards ceremony will be held at the Consul-General's Official Residence in early March. The ceremony is an opportunity to acknowledge the achievements of the prize-winning students and schools.