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**MEDIA RELEASE: NSW recipients of 2024 Spring Imperial Decorations**

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On 29 April 2024, the 6<sup>th</sup> year of Reiwa, the Government of Japan announced the recipients of the 2024 Spring Imperial Decorations. Among the recipients is **Dr Peter Armstrong, Honorary Associate Professor at the University of Sydney and former President of the Australian Sumo Federation.**

**Dr Peter Armstrong**

**Decoration:** The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Rays

**Service:** Contributed to the promotion of sumo in Australia and contributed to friendship and goodwill between Japan and Australia

**Major Title:** former President of the Australian Sumo Federation

**Location:** Ku-ring-gai, New South Wales, Australia



**Summary of Contributions:**

As President of the Australian Sumo Federation from 1998 to 2005, Dr Armstrong contributed to greater knowledge of sumo and the growth of sumo as a competition sport in Australia. Furthermore, as an architect, he contributed to research on Japanese architecture and the development of academic exchange between Japan and Australia, and his efforts promoting Japanese culture have helped to foster friendship and goodwill between Japan and Australia in a wide variety of fields.

The Consulate-General of Japan in Sydney extends its heartfelt congratulations to Dr Armstrong on receiving his award and expresses its respect for his achievements to date.

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