



Catholic Mass

Mass in English will be held Feb. 2 and 16 from 15:00 at the Catholic Matsuyama Church, Sanbancho 4-5-5. Tel. 089-921-1849

Worship at the Fukuin Center

Feb. 2, 9, 16 9:00-10:45 Regular Sunday Service

Feb. 23 13:30-14:45 Worship in English

Matsuyama Fukuin Center, Heiwa-dori 1-6-6

Tel: 089-925-1008 <http://bit.ly/2LugPBV>

You are most welcome!

Please visit our website.



Matsuyama Islamic Culture Center

Prayers are held 5 times every day and Islamic *dakwah* activities such as daily reading of Hadist, weekly Qur'an Recitation for Adults (*Usroh*) and weekly recitation for kids (Kids Program), also Halal meat, and an Islamic book library are available.

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Japan Association of Language Teachers (JALT)

How the Brain Does Language and Why It Loves Stories

Curtis Kelly, Prof. Emeritus, Kansai University

Words are not stored at specific places on the brain in some kind of database. Instead, they are connected to complex, but flexible, models built on first-hand experiences in the world. In other words, language, like cognition is "embodied." It is stored in the sensory-motor routines that fire in encounters. To make meaning from language, the brain simulates those past experiences. That is one of the reasons why stories are so effective as a teaching tool. They are multisensory and experience oriented. It is no wonder that (according to one study) information in stories is learned twice and quickly and retained twice as long as information in lectures. But there are other reasons why stories fit the brain as well, reasons that are truly amazing and will probably change your view of the brain forever. Be prepared to be surprised, moved, and changed, and bring your own story related to teaching as well.

Date/time: Feb. 16, 2025, 14:00-16:00

Venue: on Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88335632413?pwd=ATBzrPuVabqOkIjcbOp0QikJHTkVwH.1>

ミーティング ID: 883 3563 2413 パスコード: 016353

JALT Members and students: free *One-day members: 1000 yen

Note: If you are planning to join online as a one-day member, please pay the fee to the following bank account:

Shinsei bank: Account number: 400 1656054 (柳在熙 Jaehee Ryu)

Branch:本店(Head office)、Account type : 普通(Saving account)

JALT website: <https://sites.google.com/view/matsuyamajalt/>

Inquiries: matsuyamajaltpublicity@gmail.com

Endorsements: Matsuyama City; Matsuyama City Board of Education

Matsuyama Toastmasters Club

Matsuyama Toastmasters Club is a non-profit, international organization for improving communication and leadership skills. We practice public speaking in English and Japanese. Visit us 3 times for free to see if Toastmasters is for you.

www.matsuyama.toastmastersclubs.org

Feb. 9 (Sun.) 13:30-15:00 at COMs

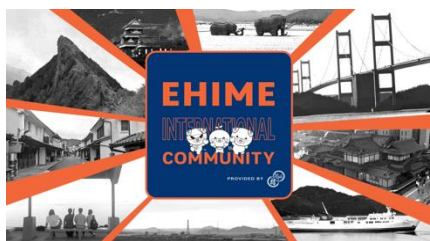
Feb. 22(Sat.) 19:00-20:30 on Zoom

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/4156790322>

Yui YouTube Channel

Yui is an organization dedicated to providing information to the foreign community in Ehime. They have started making community service videos to provide information about living in Japan. Check out the first ones!

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGJa-lxuqVNoVPO6oeOng_A



Yui is also collaborating with the Ehime International Community Facebook page. It was first set up years ago, but we are trying to revive it as another information source for Ehime. We realize FB is not used that much anymore, but we want to use the resources we have.

Thanks go to Carl Sotomil for revising the cover photo!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ehimecommunity>

Wondering Who and How to Help ?

With the many wars and disasters that have occurred even in the past few months, it may be difficult to choose who and how to help. One idea is Doctors Without Borders. A contribution goes almost entirely to funding the activities of the medical staff and they respond to need all over the world. Check this website for more information on how you may contribute.

<https://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/get-involved/ways-to-give>

The Red Cross is also a world-wide organization. Information for making a donation to the Red Cross is here:

<https://www.redcross.org/donations/ways-to-donate.html>

If you have other suggestions, please let us know.