



Japan Learning Journey November 9-22, 2014

Tokyo – November 9-11

Hotel: Mitsui Garden Hotel – <http://www.gardenhotels.co.jp/eng/shiodome-italiagai/> [Washers and driers available for laundry; internet access available]

November 9th

Informal dinners – not whole group because of various arrival times.

November 10th

6:30-8:30	Buffet Breakfast on 1 st Floor – Italian or Japanese
9:00	Gather in First Floor Lobby
10:00-16:00	Building our learning community. Meeting at RECRUIT offices at GranTokyo South Tower at Tokyo Station
17:00	Early Dinner Together

November 11th

6:30-8:30	Buffet Breakfast on 1 st Floor – Italian or Japanese
9:00	Gather in First Floor Lobby
10:00-12:00	Dialog with business community members at Knowledge Dynamics Initiative (KDI) at Fuji Xerox in the Cube at Roppongi Ichome
	Self-organize for lunch and/or breaks; head towards next dialog by 2:15
15:00 – 17:00	Dialog with younger activists at http://www.jnto.go.jp/eng/location/spot/shritemp/tsukijihonganji.html
18:00	Dinner in self-organizing small groups

Ishinomaki – November 12-13

Hotel: Ishinomaki Sun Plaza Hotel – <http://www.sunplazahotel.jp/#>

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November 12th

6:30-7:30	Buffet Breakfast on 1 st Floor – Italian or Japanese
7:45	Check-Out; Meet in First Floor Lobby
9:08 – 10:40	Depart on Hayabusa for Sendai
10:40-11:30	Greeted by Hideki Iwai-san, colleague of Bob's who has created the Kohaku Future Center in Ishinomaki. Bus to Yuriage
11:30-12:30	Visit Yuriage: The place that got the biggest damage near Sendai by tsunami; damage still very visible. The storyteller is going to share his/her experience with documents and videos.
12:30 – 14:30	Travel and Lunch
14:30 - 17:00	Visit Takahashi Tokuharu Shoten (Yamato Factory) - fish processing company. First, watch a video that was taken when the earthquake happened. Then CEO will share with us about situation back then and current condition
17:00 - 18:30	Travel to Ishinomaki, Check-In
19:00	Dinner

November 13th

	Buffet Breakfast
8:45	Meet in Hotel Lobby
10:00 – 12:00	"Ishinomaki-shi, Kamikama Area" 10:00am - 12:00am Kohaku Future Center is supporting this area. There are no green spaces because of Tsunami attack. The local people acts under the slogan of "Rich green area. We will visit Majarain (gathering space) made by the residents (https://www.facebook.com/kamikamamajjarain) and hearing the stories from the local people. We will plant trees as a memory of visiting
	Lunch
14:00 – 16:00	Conversation with Fishermen about Disaster
17:00	Dinner and Dialog with Iwai-san reflecting on what we are seeing

Fukushima Prefecture – November 14-16

Hotel: Hana-No-Yu, Tamura City – <http://www.hananoyu.ne.jp>

[Arrangements for laundry can be made; no washers or dryers on site. Internet access available]

November 14th

	Buffet Breakfast
7:45	Check-Out; Meet in First Floor Lobby
8:17-9:58	Train: Ishinomaki - Sendai
10:41-11:08	Train: Sendai – Fukushima City
11:30-17:00	Travel by bus to Itatemura and Minamisoma, meeting with local people in both areas to discuss disaster and rebuilding efforts. Meeting with a variety of local activists along the way. Exact details still being worked out – everything is dynamic in Fukushima!
17:00 - 18:30	Travel to Tamura and Hana-No-Yu, Check-In
19:00	Dinner and Onsen (hot bath) at Hotel

November 15th

	Buffet Breakfast
9:00	Meet in First Floor Lobby
10:00	Exploring Kawauchi-mura
11:00	Exploring Okuma-machi
13:00	Lunch at Namie-machi
14:00	Exploring Tamioka-machi
16:00	Dialog with local people from Okuma-machi, living in temporary housing in Iwaki-shi
17:00	Leave for Hotel
18:00	Return to Hotel, Dinner and Onsen

November 16th

	Buffet Breakfast
9:00	Meet in First Floor Lobby
9:20	Arrive at Renshoan (http://renshoan.jp)
10:00 – 15:00	Workshop and Dialog with Fukushima residents (including lunch)
15:00 – 17:00	Quiet time for journaling at Renshoan
18:00	Farewell Party at Hotel

Fujino – November 17

Hotel: We will be staying at a rustic guesthouse with limited facilities. We are working on a plan to check luggage somewhere along the way so that you would just bring enough for the day.

November 17th

	Buffet Breakfast
7:45	Check-Out; Meet in First Floor Lobby
8:00	Hotel Bus to Koriyama
9:30 – 12:24	Train: Koriyama – Fujino
12:30-19:00	Meeting with members of Fujino Transition Town, visiting their projects, sharing lunch and dinner and onsen with them.

Kyoto – November 18-22

Inns: [Washers and driers available for laundry; internet access available]

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★ Zeniya-an-Ryokan: Traditional Japanese Style <http://www.kyo-machiya.net/>

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★ Nagomi-Ryokan Yuu: Traditional Japanese Style (<http://nagomi-yu.com/>)

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★ Kotan: Traditional Japanese Style, in same group, just next door

November 18th

	Modest Breakfast
9:47	Trains to Kyoto
2:00	Arrival in Kyoto
	Afternoon and Evening Free. We'll help you relax or explore. Dinner on own and/or in small groups!

November 19th

	Breakfast at Inn
11:00	Zen Lecture with Taka Kawakami-sensei at Shukoin (http://shunkoin.com)
13:30	Lunch and Discussion of Japanese spirituality at http://www.kangaan.jp
15:30	Introduction to Shinto with Mitsutaka Inui-sensei at Kamigamo Shrine (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kamigamo_Shrine)
18:00	Dinner at Omoya (http://www.secondhouse.co.jp/omoya1iijima.html) which uses local ingredients and is French-Japanese

November 20th

	Breakfast at Inn (and move from original inns to new one)
Morning	We will divide into three groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calligraphy• Tea• Flower Arranging Each visiting a different master in Kyoto
13:00	Simple lunch in three small groups
14:00 – 17:00	Noh Drama Presentation and Discussion with Noh Master Michishige Udaka-sensei in the small performing hall at http://www.kyoto-machiya.com/eng/machiya/sujiya.html
18:00 – 20:00	Dinner and Dialog with Kyoto Friends at the Kyoto Impact HUB - http://kyoto.impacthub.net

November 21th

	Breakfast at Inn
All Day	We will divide into two groups. We will spend the day visiting temples and gardens in Kyoto. We'll either be just at or just after the peak of Maple Leaf Viewing season and it should be spectacular. It is possible that a couple different people with deep knowledge of Japanese gardens will join us – otherwise we'll just enjoy the beauty!
Dinner	Self-organized in the two groups

November 22th

	Breakfast at Inn
Most of the Day	Free Day!! We'll help you organize what you want to do.
16:00	Closing Circle of Learning Journey.
19:00	Celebration and dinner at Tamaki specializing in Japanese-French cuisine: http://www.tamaki-kyoto.com

November 23th

We'll help you get to your trains and planes!

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