



Japan-related Events in NYC

Overview

A number of events are regularly hosted by the Japanese community in New York City and those who are interested in the Japanese culture. We are making this event calendar so that we can plan events for the Japan Club and students in the Japanese classes. If you know any events not listed below, please e-mail the following information to tnagano@lagcc.cuny.edu: (1) name of the events, (2) date (of the event in the previous year), (3) location, (4) price, (5) URL, and (6) very short description.

The following events are taking place across the year (regularly or irregularly):

Date	Event	Address	Price	Description
Monthly	Japan Society's Film Screenings	Japan Society (333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017)	\$12-\$20	The Japan Society screens a diverse selection of classic and contemporary Japanese cinema throughout the year – including retrospectives of seminal directors, thematic series, and special screenings of international, U.S., and NY premieres – and hosts JAPAN CUTS, the largest festival of its kind in North America, in July. https://japansociety.org
Monthly	Japan Society's Programs	Japan Society (333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017)	free - \$40	Japan Society offers a variety of educational programs in Business & Policy, Family Programs, Community Programs, and Performing Arts. Membership for discount tickets. https://japansociety.org
Monthly	Urasenke Chanoyu Center (Tea Ceremony)	153 E 69th St, New York, NY 10021	\$315 for 20 ppl	The Urasenke Chanoyu Center offers tea ceremony demonstration sessions. Group demonstration takes place every Wednesday. Please contact them directly for arrangements. http://www.urasenkenewyork.org
Monthly	JapanFes (Japanese Street Fair)	Various locations in NYC	Free	JAPANFes hosts Japanese-themed street fairs across different locations in NYC, featuring Japanese cuisine, traditional crafts, art, and entertainment to share Japanese culture with New Yorkers. https://www.japanfes.com
Monthly	Events at Japan Village	934 3rd Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11232	Free	Japan Village hosts various events including Anime Matsuri, Anime Song Karaoke, Shamisen Performance, and New Year celebration. https://japanvillage.com/
1st week of January	Mitsuwa NJ: New Year's Special Event and New Year Lucky Bag	595 River Rd, Edgewater, NJ 07020	Free	Mitsuwa New Jersey celebrates New Year with traditional Japanese events like Taiko drumming, Mochi pounding, and a Shishimai lion dance. https://www.mitsuwa.com/nj/
late March	Columbia Japan Society Matsuri	Columbia University (New York, NY 10027)	Free	The Columbia Japan Society organizes Matsuri, showcasing Japanese culture through traditional practices, food, and performances for the Columbia community. https://www.columbia.edu/cu/japansociety/
April	NECTJ Virtual Haru Matsuri	Virtual (subject to change)	Free or donation	Nectj Harumatsuri, hosted by the Northeast Council of Teachers of Japanese, is a spring festival with professional performances and cultural activities.
April	Roosevelt Island Cherry Blossom Festival	Roosevelt Island	Free	Celebrate cherry blossoms with traditional and modern Japanese performances and a cultural fair on Roosevelt Island.
late April	Brooklyn Botanic Garden Sakura Matsuri	990 Washington Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11225	\$18 (\$12 students)	The Sakura Matsuri festival at Brooklyn Botanic Garden celebrates Japanese culture with a wide range of performances and activities. https://www.bbg.org
early May	Japan Parade	Central Park	Free	The Japan Parade in NYC is an annual cultural event celebrating Japanese heritage and friendship between Japan and the United States. It features traditional music, dance, martial arts demonstrations, colorful floats, and performances, promoting cultural exchange and community bonding. https://www.japanparadenyc.org



mid May	Asian (AAPI) Heritage Celebration @ LaGuardia Community College	31-10 Thomson Ave, Long Island City, NY 11101	Free	LaGuardia Community College hosts an Asian (AAPI) Heritage Celebration with diverse cultural showcases and events celebrating AAPI heritage.
late July	Obon Dance (Bon Dance) Festival	Bryant Park	Free	Hosted by the New York Buddhist Church, experience traditional Bon dances in Bryant Park. https://www.newyorkbuddhistchurch.org
late August	Anime NYC	Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, 429 11th Ave, New York, NY 10001, USA	\$65+	Anime NYC is a massive anime convention featuring screenings, panels, premieres, and cosplay. https://animenyc.com
July	Japan Cuts (Japanese Film Festival)	Japan Society (333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017)	\$10-\$25	Japan Cuts is the largest festival of contemporary Japanese cinema in North America. https://japansociety.org
August	Mitsuwa NJ Summer Festival	595 River Rd, Edgewater, NJ 07020	Free	Mitsuwa's Summer Festival features food, cultural performances, and family-friendly activities. https://www.mitsuwa.com/nj/
early October	New York Comic Con	Jacob K. Javits Convention Center	\$200+	New York Comic Con features comics, manga, anime, video games, and pop culture with panels, exhibits, and guest signings. https://www.newyorkcomiccon.com
November	New York Japan CineFest	Asia Society (725 Park Ave, New York, NY 10021)	\$12-\$20	New York Japan CineFest showcases short films and promotes unique talent within the Japanese cinema scene. https://asiasociety.org

Links

- Japanese Option webpage: <https://t-nagano.com/projects/JapaneseProgram/>
- Japanese Option Blog: <https://chrysanthemum.commonscuny.edu>
- Japanese Option Discord: Contact tnagano@lagcc.cuny.edu for the invitation link
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