

Surf Life Saving Australia - Circular

| Title: | Japan Exchange Program | | |
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| Audience: | SLS Clubs and Services | | |
| | SLS Branches | | |
| | SLS States/Territory | | |
| From: | Surf Life Saving Australia | | |
| Date: | 15 May 2024 | | |
| Summary: | Call for nominations for the opportunity to participate in a volunteer lifesaver | | |
| | exchange program: | | |
| | Program 1: Iwai Seaside Camps (25 days): 20 July – 13 August 2024 | | |
| | Program 2: Beach Patrol – Izu Peninsula (5 days): between 7 - 11 August 2024 | | |
| | Nominations close: Sunday 2 June 2024 | | |

Background

Surf Life Saving Australia has had a very successful partnership with Japan Life Saving Association (JLA) since 2007.

JLA see the Australian lifesavers/lifeguards as great advocates in assisting in the awareness of water safety, education and enhancing lifesaving activity.

While the exchange program has not been held for the past three years due to COVID, all parties are now able to provide this opportunity again.

Program Details

Note: for both programs some additional travel time may be required. Also, individuals may choose to attend prior to or stay after the activity, at their own cost.

Program 1: Iwai Seaside Camps (25 days): 20 July – 13 August 2024

**note these are the dates of the program, participants will have to arrive prior.*

Who:

Seeking four (4) members to attend. Ideally looking for two (2) male and two (2) female members.

Activity description:

To be educating and taking Japanese junior high school students through basic skills for water safety and survival.

Requirements:

- Be a minimum of 20 years of age. •
- Experience as a lifeguard or in senior roles on patrol. •

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- Have some experience in teaching junior lifesaving skills.
- Must have a current passport.

Ideally would have the following:

- Eager and passionate with lifesaving spirits.
- Positive in local cultures and able to communicate with local members.
- Can speak and understand the Japanese language, or at least try to learn Japanese.
- Understands or prepared to understand the working cultures in Japan and work and be prepared to work full-time during the period.

Notes:

- Attendees will receive some compensation from Japan Lifesaving of approx. \$60 per day (AUS).
- Support for International Transportation costs up to \$1,000 (AUS) to be provided by Japan Lifesaving. SLSA will assist in the coordination of flights etc once participants are selected.
- Meals and local stays will be provided by Japan Lifesaving Association. Excluding out of hours personal entertainment etc.

Access to Iwai Beach

| From Narita Int'l Airport: | Train Car | About 4 hrs About 2 hrs |
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| From Haneda Int'l Airport; | Train Car | About 1.5 hrs About 1 hr |



<From Narita>



<From Haneda>



Program 2: Beach Patrol – Izu Peninsula (5 days): between 7 & 11 August 2024

*note these are the dates of the program, participants will have to arrive prior.

Who:

Seeking two (2) members to attend.

Activity description:

To join in and be part of patrol activities at local surf lifesaving clubs in Izu Peninsula.

Requirements:

- Be a minimum of 20 years of age.
- Experience as a lifeguard or in senior roles on patrol.
- Must have a current passport.

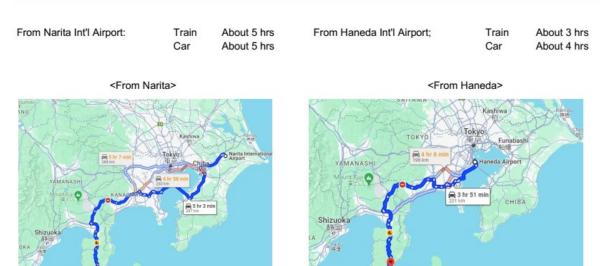
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Location of Izu Peninsula



Nomination Deadline

Please complete the Expression of Interest via the online forms (links below) by no later than Sunday 2 June 2024.

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Program 2: Beach Patrol – Izu Peninsula (5 days): between 7 & 11 August 2024

Note: All successful applicants will require endorsement of their state/territory body. Please note that club may also be contacted.

More information

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