

Chapter 2 What is International Exchange? Multicultural Symbiosis?

1 Multicultural Symbiosis

Multicultural symbiosis is when people from different racial, ethnic, or national backgrounds recognize each other's cultural differences and live together as members of the same local community, striving to build equitable relationships with one another. It is a way of thinking in which both Japanese people and foreigners recognize one another as members of the community and, by putting their power together, try to improve society at large.

2 Miki International Association's Services

Please try visiting the International Exchange Plaza! The Miki International Association (MIA) is a place where Japanese people and foreigners can interact with one another. You can also get many handouts and flyers in several languages. Make friends by participating in events like our "International Party" and "COOL MIKI"!

Join us at MIA! Membership fees are only 2000 yen a year.



- Japanese Study
We host free Japanese classrooms.
Sessions are held once a week, 90 minutes at a time.
Hours: Mondays 19 : 00~20 : 30 Miki City Kyoiku Center
Fridays 19 : 00~20 : 30 Jiyugaoka Community Center
- You can also study Japanese at the International Exchange Plaza. Please reach out to MIA for more details.

3 Information and Resource Corner

There are many kinds of resources and information available in multiple languages at the International Exchange Plaza, including pamphlets about daily life and governmental processes. There are also flyers that you can take home.

- Resources include:
"Lifestyle Guidebook," "Moving Forward," "National Health Insurance Guidebook,"
"Trash Sorting Chart (English ver.)," "Disaster Prevention Pointers in Japan,"
"10 Tips to Protect your Family - A Parent-child Guide to Disaster Prevention,"
"Hyogo E-net," and lecture, event, and volunteer information from MIA.