

EVENTS PROGRAMME September 2-8, 2017

September 2, Saturday

15.00 Street performances expressing Japanese culture

Participants: Aura modern dance theater, Kendo, Martial arts etc.
Location: Daukanto str.

18.00 Opening Concert

Participants: Keiko Borjesson, Choir "Varpelis", Bella Shirin, Aura modern dance theater.
Location: Daukanto str. 29, VMU Grand Hall

September 3, Sunday

10.00 Sugihara Kendo Tournament

Participants from Lithuania, Europe and Japan
Location: Lithuanian Sports University (tbc)

September 4, Monday

10.30 Sugihara House painting by Tokon-International starting ceremony

Location: Sugihara House, Vaižganto str. 30

16.00-19.00 Public lectures "Diplomatic Kaunas", "Jewish Kaunas", "Traces of Japan in Kaunas".

Participants: Lithuanian researchers
Location: Valdas Adamkus Presidential Library-Museum, Daukanto str. 25

September 5, Tuesday

12.00-17.00 Arts and Crafts Fair. Presentations of Japan Prefectures and Municipalities: tourism opportunities and local production (tbc).

Participants: Prefectures and Municipalities from Japan (tbc), Lithuanian companies exporting to Japan.

Location: Lobby of the Grand Hall of Vytautas Magnus University, Daukanto str. 29.

17.00-19.00 Concert of Classical Music performed by Japanese and Lithuanian musicians. Official reception on behalf of Kaunas City Mayor Visvaldas Matijošaitis.

Participants: Closed event for invited VIP guests from Japan and Lithuania.
Location: Grand Hall of Officers Club, Mickevičiaus str. 19.

September 6, Wednesday

12.00-15.00 Sugihara Symposium

Presentations by representatives of Japanese Prefectures and Municipalities (tbc), Lithuanian and Japanese researchers, representatives from UNESCO (tbc).

Location: Čiurlionis Museum (Putvinskio str. 55).

18.00 Screening of the documentary about Chiune.

Participants: Director **Junichi Kajioka**, delegations from Japan.

Location: Čiurlionis Museum (Putvinskio str. 55).

September 7, Thursday

12.00 Japanese Kites Festival

Location: Dobkevičius School, V. Čepinskio g. 7

15.00-18.00 Workshops of Japanese Culture (Kimono, Calligraphy, Food, Origami, Bonsai, kamishibai)

Location: to be decided

18.00 Performance of Jewish Theatre and Kleizmeriai

Location: to be decided

September 8, Friday

15.00-17.00 Workshops of Japanese Culture (Kimono, Calligraphy, Food, Origami, Bonsai, kamishibai)

Location: to be decided

17.30 Closing Concert with Wadaiko drums group

Location: VMU Grand Hall, Daukanto str. 29

19.00 Closing Reception organised by the Embassy of Japan

Location: VMU hall, 4 floor, V. Putvinskio str. 23.

Organizers:

Kaunas City Municipality

Vytautas Magnus University Centre for Asian Studies

Sugihara Foundation „Diplomats for Life“

Kyūmeikan Kendo School

Embassy of Japan in the Republic of Lithuania

Main partners:

Salon „Jaukūs namai“ („Cosy Homes“)

HOF Hotel

Global Japan Office of Tokyo University of Foreign Studies