

From New President: Teruko Sharif

Dear All,

The 2015 JTAN AGM & Workshop was held with 54 JTAN members at Japan Foundation Sydney on 17 October. There was positive atmosphere throughout the day. The collected EVALUATION of the day tells us that all the three seminars were extremely well received by the participants. The forty of them also wrote suggestions/ideas for future JTAN activities. Although JTAN committee will try to attend/respond to these ideas and requests, we will need more manpower in order to implement them. For that, if you are willing to volunteer as a workshop presenter, convenor or helper for little jobs, please let us know. Such your contribution would be very much appreciated.

During the AGM, following new committee members have taken the positions as below. Please send your emails to enquire@jtan.org.au to contact them.

- President: Teruko Sharif
- Vice President: Larissa Mitchell (handles enquire@jtan.org.au)
- Secretary: Julia Zhu
- Treasurer: Naoko Konishi
- Workshop Co-ordinators: Hiromi Terley and Kentaro Otani

The following sub-committee members also continue their jobs

- Regional Co-ordinator: Amy Robinson
- Accounts & Administration: Teruko Sharif
- Exam Directors: Remains anonymous

As for the near future JTAN activities, as you see in www.jtan.org.au, following events have already been planned to go ahead.

1. 28 November (Sat.) Exam Writing Workshop.
2. New Year's Card Competition for Stage 4 (closing date 15 Dec.)
3. 27 February 2016 (Sat.) Extension Workshop for students of members & non-members. We will accept maximum 160 participants (both teachers and students) due to safety reason, so please book and pay for the participation fee as early as possible. The online application form, under Events tab, will open very soon.

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Teacher position for Defence Force School of Languages (DFSL) in Victoria

My organisation has a long term contract with the Defence Force School of Languages (DFSL) to provide Language services. We have been invited by the DFSL to put forward two teachers for the delivery of an intensive Japanese General Language Course commencing in January and concluding in December of next year. We are emailing you as there may be either part-time staff or post-graduate students of Japanese who may be interested in this position. Please circulate the invitation to those who may benefit from this position and advise them to send through their CV's

to myself, CC'ing in caryn.sabath@fortisconsulting.com.au, by no later than Friday 23rd October to express their interest.

The Scope of the Job is as Follows:

Position: A Japanese Teacher to design, develop, and deliver approximately 1230 hours (41 weeks) of face-to-face Japanese training for up to ten members of the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

Period of engagement: 25 January 2016 – 9 December 2016

Location: RAAF Williams, Laverton, VIC

Rate: \$70,000 per annum for a full time role on a pro-rata basis

Hours of Engagement: Monday – Friday, 0800-1200 and 1300-1630

Rater Training: If required, available to complete Assessment Rater Training week commencing 7 December 2015.

Skills Criteria:

1. Certificate IV in Training and Assessment or a tertiary qualification in teaching.
2. A high level of proficiency in Japanese.
3. Japanese teaching experience (preferably with adults) including syllabus design and materials development (please give examples).
4. Sound knowledge of different approaches to language teaching.
5. Sound knowledge of the history, politics, society, and culture of Japan.
6. Confirmation that the Contracting Company will maintain regular contact with teachers to address course issues that may arise.

We would be grateful if they could also provide 2 referees (name, organisation, position, phone and email, if possible) who can comment on your teaching and assessments.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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