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2015 New Year's Greeting from Consul General Masahiro Omura

In his New Year's greeting, Consul General Omura reflects on Japan's accomplishments in 2014 and highlights key events and activities at home and abroad to look forward to in 2015 and beyond. With your support, Japan and Washington State will forge even deeper ties in the New Year.

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Six Individuals Recognized for Contributions to Japan - U.S. Relations



2015 Recipients: (R-L) Dr. Aanenson, Mr. Barnea, Mr. Kokage,
Mr. Minegishi, Mr. Sasaki and Mr. Triplett

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January 22, 2015

On Thursday, January 22nd, six individuals from around the region were recognized by Consul General Omura for their outstanding contributions to Japan - U.S. relations. In a ceremony, these individuals each received the Consul General's Commendation for notable

achievements and efforts in a wide range of activities, including support for the recovery in Tohoku, expanding ties between Japanese and Japanese American Communities, and developing business relations between Washington and Japan, among other accomplishments. They are listed below in alphabetical order:

Dr. Charles Aanenson, Founder and CEO of Peace Winds America
Mr. Nir Barnea, Marine Debris Program West Coast Coordinator, NOAA
Mr. Shinji Kokage, Senior Advisor to the Japan Business Association of Seattle
Mr. Yoshiaki Minegishi, Lifetime Director of the Seattle Symphony
Mr. Tom Sasaki, Former President of the Japanese Community Service of Seattle
Mr. Mark Triplett, Senior Advisor with the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

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Japanese Government Scholarship Applications Now Available

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Deadline: February 20, 2015

The Consulate General of Japan in Seattle is now accepting applications for 2015 Japanese Government Scholarship (Japanese Studies Students), available to U.S. citizens residing in states of Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Alaska.



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