

Anchorage-Chitose Sister Cities 50th Anniversary Celebration in Chitose, Japan

Anchorage Delegation to Chitose Application

January 24, 2019

Since 1969 Anchorage and Chitose Japan have been Sister Cities. To celebrate the 50th anniversary of this relationship, an Anchorage delegation is being formed to travel to Chitose in September 2019. We are pleased that you have indicated your interest in being part of this delegation and hope that you will be selected to accompany Mayor Ethan Berkowitz as well as the other delegates to Japan.

Date of Travel: 9/1/2019 – 9/9/2019

Tentative Schedule:

Date		Hotel
9/1 Sun	Depart from Anchorage	
9/2 M	Arrive in Narita Narita to Chitose (ANA 2155; Narita/Chitose 17:55/19:45)	Route Inn Chitose
9/3 T	10:00 Meeting with Kotaro Yamaguchi, Mayor, City of Chitose 11:00 Visit a festival at the Chitose Shrine 12:00 Lunch PM Visit Lake Shikotsu 18:00 Welcome Party hosted by Chitose	Route Inn Chitose
9/4 W	AM Chitose City Tour and Japanese Cultural experience 12:00 Lunch PM 50 th Anniversary Ceremony at Chitose Cultural Center Night Celebration at ANA Crowne Plaza Chitose	Route Inn Chitose
9/5 R	AM Excursion (TBA) 12:00 Lunch PM Excursion (TBA) Night Farewell Party hosted by Anchorage	Route Inn Chitose
9/6 F	Early AM Chitose to Hanamaki (JL2831 ; Chitose/Hanamaki 7:35/8:35) 9:30 Hanamaki to Rikuzentakata (Bus; 9:30/11:30) 12:00 Hotel Check in and Lunch 13:00 City tour lead by Rikuzentakata City Bureau of Reconstruction 15:00 Meeting with Futoshi Toba, Mayor, City of Rikuzentakata	Capital Hotel 1000
9/7 Sat	AM Visit the Monty Hall at the Rikuzentakata Global Campus 12:00 Lunch Early PM Visit Kesen carpenter plasterer Denshokan Museum PM From Rikuzentakata to Morioka to Tokyo	Hotel in Tokyo TBA
9/8 Sun	All Day Tokyo	Hotel: TBA
9/9 Mon	PM Return to Anchorage	

Estimated Cost: Each participant will cover all travel, hotel and food cost.

Airfare 1:	Anchorage – Chitose:	\$1,500/p
Airfare 2:	Chitose- Hanamaki one way:	\$100/p
Bullet Train:	Morioka – Tokyo	\$130/p
Hotel:	\$100 average/night/p*8nights	\$800/p
Meals:	\$250/week	\$200
Ground transportation:		\$100/p
Participation Fees		\$1000

TOTAL: \$3,830

Deadline to apply: April 1, 2019

Application submitted to: Hiroko Hirada: harada@alaska.edu or Marianne Kerr: mkerr907@gmail.com.

Notification: We will notify the applicants our final delegation selection by May 1, 2019. At that time, we will notify delegates about travel expense deadlines.

Upon notification, we will provide you with additional information about options for flights and rail tickets. Hotels and food will be paid for by participants during the trip. Credit Cards are accepted nearly everywhere.

Participation fee of \$1000 should be paid in form of check or money order to:

Anchorage Sister Cities

P.O. Box 196650

Anchorage, AK 99519

Or delivered to 632 W. 6th Ave, Mayor's Office, Suite 840

Cancellation Policy: You may cancel participation in this travel at any time upon notification to ASCC subject to the following cancellation charges:

- No charge, if notice is received by June 1, 2019.
- \$500 forfeiture of Participation Fee per traveler if notice is received between June 2, 2019 and July 1, 2019
- \$750 forfeiture of Participation Fee per traveler if notice is received between July 2, 2019 and August 1, 2019
- No refund if notice is received on or after August 2, 2019

Signature of each participant: _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

**This is an exciting time for Anchorage Sister Cities, we hope you will be able to join this delegation.
Please note that names of interested delegates will be added to the Mayor's list.
Final selections will be decided before May 1, 2019.**