## JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY of SAN ANTONIO





## 日米協会サンアントニオ

Spring 2024

## **Japanese Language Class**

Adult Beginner Level I

Ages: 16 ~ Adults

<u>Dates:</u> Tuesday evenings, Jan 9<sup>th</sup> ~ Apr 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024, (12 classes)

**T**ime: 6:00 ~ 7:00 pm

<u>Location</u>: Classes will be offered via <u>Zoom</u>, as this facilitates those who would otherwise have to travel to a school location, go on business trips, have after school activities, get stuck in traffic, have to be at home, etc. The instructor will send out the Zoom link about 10 minutes before each class.

<u>Registration:</u> Please see the JASSA homepage at: <a href="http://www.jas-sa.org/">http://www.jas-sa.org/</a> for registration. (The registration link will close 2 weeks after the start of classes. Registration after that will require the permission of the instructor.)

*Please Note:* When you register, please ensure your email address is current, as the instructor will use that address to send you the Zoom link.

<u>Class Content:</u> This class is a continuation of the Level I class offered this past Fall. In this course, which will be informative and very interactive, we will briefly review pronunciation and hiragana and introduce a small number of kanji. Building on the basic sentences, questions, and vocabulary from the Level I class, we will continue to develop sentence/question structures, verb conjugation, counting, and start some informal patterns. In the Genki text (see below), we will do a quick review of the introduction to verbs and their basic conjugations, and then begin to learn Particles, pg. 88-#3. Of course, cultural aspects of the Japanese will also be included to facilitate learning the language.

<u>Class</u>: Class student minimum is 3 for the class to make; the maximum number is 15.

<u>Textbook</u>: Genki I, Third Edition, ISBN 978-4-7890-1730-5; available from Amazon, BN.com, etc. Please be sure you purchase the textbook; other materials, such as the workbook, writing books, etc., are not required for class and are optional for your personal use.

Instructor: Roger Pratt. Mr. Pratt graduated from Sophia University (上智大学国際部) in Tokyo, has a Master's in East Asian Studies from FSU, lived in Japan for 19 years, and has previously taught Japanese for JASSA and at UTSA.

Please send an email to education@jas-sa.org and/or the instructor (mozuku@hotmail.com) if you have any questions. Thank you