

ACTFL Report

The ACTFL 2009 will be held from Friday, November 20 to Sunday, November 22 at San Diego Convention Center in San Diego, California. If you haven't registered for the ACTFL, it is not too late. If you register by October 14th, it's \$195 for NCJLT members. If you are a new teacher and a NCJLT member, it's only \$150.

For registration, please go to:

www.actfl.org

NCJLT is co-sponsoring the convention again this year. We will have 18 general sessions and 8 individual paper presentations this year. Please note that starting this year, the sessions are only 60 minutes instead of 75 minutes. Two individual papers will be presented in one session time.

The sessions are for all different purpose and for all levels. Please check the following NCJLT sponsored session schedule. You can see the category of the session by the color as your guide.

The general sessions will include 4 NCJLT special sessions. One of them is a session called "What We Have Accomplished: Advancements in Japanese Language Education" presented by Hiroko Kataoka-sensei of California State University Long Beach. As you may know, we have discussed about the current problems about Japanese Language Education in the U.S. and talked about how to revitalize Japanese Programs. We think it is important to know the history of Japanese Language Education in the U.S. in order to make an action plan for the future.

NCJLT is happy to announce that NCJLT Awards Luncheon will be held again this year. It will be Saturday, November 21 from 11:15AM to 12:45PM. Please join us to celebrate our fellow educators and communicate with other Japanese teachers. The luncheon costs \$40 if you register by October 14, after that it will be \$47. When you register for the ACTFL, don't forget to check the NCJLT Awards Luncheon!

We usually have NCJLT General Meeting right after the luncheon, however, because of the schedule change, we will have the NCJLT General Meeting at 4:15PM to 5:15PM. Please note the change. Right after the meeting, NCJLT special session 2:a panel discussion called "Current and future of Japanese Education" will be held. We would love to hear your opinions! A Networking Reception will be following the session. It is a great place to network with other teachers in a casual way.

Don't forget about the Japan Pavilion in the exhibitor hall. The free times for exhibit hall visit are created this year. Please make sure to visit the Japan Pavilion for gathering information about trip to Japan, educational materials, and resources, and for great shopping! We will have a couple of performance again.

If you have questions, please contact at kyamashita@waterbury.k12.ct.us .

We look forward to seeing you in San Diego!

NCJLT Sponsored Session Schedule

Instructional Materials/textbooks	Literacy
Curriculum	Technology
Methods/Techniques	Teacher Preparation/Development
Assessment	Advocacy/Policy

Friday, November 20

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8:30-10:00	Opening General Sessions	
10:00-11:00	Exhibit Hall Opening	
11:00-12:00	"Differentiated Instruction for Improving Reading Comprehension in Multi-level JHL Classrooms", M. Ohyama, K. Tsuda, M. Masuya Fleming Code: 71827	"My Japanese Class is Fun! Activities with Differentiated Instructions" Shigeko Sekine, Rie Tsuboi Code: 71863
12:00-1:15	Lunch Break	
1:15-2:15	"Developing Test Preparation Materials for the AP Japanese Exam", K. Shoji, K. T. Chee Code: 71397	"Developing autonomous learners through a variety of student-generated projects", T. Kishimoto, H. Shimizu Code: 71759

2:30-3:30	INDIVIDUAL SUBMISSION 1: TEACHING METHOD RELATED TOPICS "Pronunciation matters, but can we teach it?" Shigeko Sekine, CA State Univ. Monterey Bay Code: 306366 "Using Movies to Develop Discussion to Achieve the 5Cs" Midori Morris Code: 304921	"National Japanese Exam: Opportunity for High School Students of Japanese" Karla Vescovi Code: 71798
3:45-4:45	"Maximizing Students' Language Proficiency Through Standards- Based Unit Plans" Y. Saito- Abbott, Y. Azama Code: 71694	INDIVIDUAL SUBMISSIONS 2 :ONLINE RELATED TOPICS "Redesign for Online Course Curriculum Based on In-class Course, Noriko Fujioka-Ito, Code: 306309 "senseiOnline: Ten Years of Professional Development and Networking Online" Keiko K Schneider, Southern Methodist Univ. Code: 306044
5:00-6:00	NCJLT SPECIAL SESSION 1 : "What We Have Accomplished: Advancements in Japanese Language Education" Hiroko Kataoka, California State University Long Beach	
6:15-7:15	NCJLT Local Representative Meeting	

Saturday, November 21st

8:00-9:00	INDIVIDUAL SUBMISSIONS: "Creative Use of Songs from Anime/Films in the Japanese Classroom" Fumiko Tachibana Code: 305974 "Teaching Business Japanese to College Students in the United States" Priya Ananth Code: 306189	"Conflict Resolution Curriculum in a Community- Based Japanese Language School" K. Ono, T. Calder, T. Iwamoto, Y. Moyer Code: 71432
9:00-10:00	Free Time for Exhibit Hall Visit	

10:00-11:00	"Designing Instruction for the AP Japanese Language and Culture Course" T. K Cothrun, J. Cain, Y. Saito-Abbott Code: 71450	"Internet-mediated Activities to Develop a Sense of Community among Learners", K. Shoji, H. Sugawara Code: 71433
11:15-12:45	NCJLT Awards Luncheon	
1:00-2:00	"Climing the AP Ladder: A Methodology" M. Kuemper, L. Berkson Code: 71815	INDIVIDUAL SUBMISSIONS 3: TECHNOLOGY RELATED TOPICS "Implementing Technology in Beginning Japanese Course: Developing Oral Proficiency" Kiyomi Fujii, Univ. of AZ, Code: 306079 "Use of the Web Tool, "Wiki", in Japanese Instruction, Izumi Matsuda Kiami, Code: 306197
2:00-3:00	Free Time for Exhibit Hall Visit	
3:00-4:00	"Does Strategic Reading Work or Not?" M. Ohyama, K. Tsuda Code: 71775	"LinguaFolio Online: Documenting Proficiency in the Japanese Classroom" S. Kamioka, S. Garcia Code: 71530
4:15-5:15	<i>(NCJLT General Meeting)</i>	
5:30-6:30	NCJLT Special Session 2: Panel Discussion-Current and future of Japanese education	
6:45-7:45	Networking Reception	

Sunday, November 22

8:00-9:00	"J-CAP for facilitating the articulation among Japanese Language Programs" R. Kitajima, A. Ibarra, T. Shanklin, N. Leonard Code:	"Using iPhone and iPod Touch in Education" S. Shinagawa, M. Ishida Code: 71570
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9:00-10:00	Free Time for Exhibit Hall Visit	
10:00-11:00	NCJLT Special Session3; "Ideas of Advocacy: Creating Big Evnets" NCJLT Board	NCJLT Special Session: "Nings, Twitter, and Blogs: Using Social Networking in the Japanese Classroom." Andy Scott. NCJLT Board