

Final Report on donation by Boston Charity Concert

Summary

1. Event: The 4th Japan Film Festival in Boston
2. Date: October 19 (Sun), 2014
3. Venue: Massachusetts Institute of Technology
4. Expense: \$500

5. Report on Film Festival

In response to the Tohoku Earthquake, we hosted three documentary films on nuclear accidents with strong belief that we should not forget these disasters and also that our understanding will help to create a better society. We invited Mr. Funabashi, the film director of “Nuclear Nation: Away from Futaba-cho” to give a special talk, was followed by a with lively discussion. It was a huge success and attracted more than 150 people. Tewassa was involved as one of the organizers which also included JREX and the Satsuki Group.

6. Report on how we spent the funding

The donation was used as a part of expenses such as the film screening fee, airfare and accommodation for the director.

7. Activities of TEWASSA

We have completed the Fifth Message Quilt and next spring we plan to bring it to donate to “Tsutsuji no Salon”, the group of people who evacuated from Fukushima to Saitama on their own. In addition to our members, Professor Tsujiuchi (Shinsai Network Saitama) and Director Ito (X Years Later) will join us to deliver it.

We have just started the Sixth Message Quilt and we are working on it together with the members of Japanese Culture Club at Tufts University.

Unfortunately our plan, “Academic Camp” to invite high school students from Fukushima to Boston did not materialize since we were unable to get a grant. We still hope to invite 5 students from Haramachi High School in collaboration with Lincoln-Sudbury High School.

We will continue to do “Chiku-Chiku” – making stitches on a quilt - to let the people of Fukushima know that they are not forgotten. Also we will continue to host film screenings in Boston and to maintain our relationship with high school students in Fukushima. We are extremely grateful for your donation which has made much of this possible.

Please see the attached photographs.

Film Festival at MIT



Quilting with member of Japanese Culture Club at Tufts



Sixth Quilt

