

2024 NihonGO! Presentation Fest

1. AIM OF CONTEST AND BACKGROUND

This is a contest for Japanese language users in Australia to present their messages by using Japanese.

Presentation skills are indispensable for people with different ideas to exchange opinions and thoughts to understand each other. Especially in today's world with advanced technologies, it has become common to use images and videos as well as words to convey messages. By communicating in this way, you can cross language barriers and reach a wider audience for mutual understanding in the world.

2. CONTEST FORMAT

Entry should be made directly to The Japan Foundation, Sydney. There is no state/territory level contest as the pre-requirement.

The contestant must be able to send a message to not only Japanese language users but to those who don't know Japanese by using methods other than language as well.

The presentation must include human voice speaking Japanese (artificial human voice is unacceptable), however the supporting contents don't have to be in Japanese.

Some examples are:

- To add caption in English while speaking Japanese
- To show key words of the presentation in English
- To utilise visual materials, e.g. PowerPoint, photos, videos, sign language...etc.

Divisions:

The Presentation Contest has two categories. These are:

1. High School Senior Division (Individual or Group)
2. Open Division (Individual or Group)

Topic of Presentation:

The topic for the 2024 contest is **SIGNIFICANT PEOPLE**

Entrants are not allowed to use the same presentation which has been made at any other contests.

Length of Presentation (Time Limit):

High School Senior Division:	5 minutes
Open Division:	5 minutes

3. CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

High School Senior Division

This Division is open to students in Year 11 and 12:

- Contestant must be studying/have studied Japanese as a foreign language
- Contestant may be studying/have studied Japanese as their heritage language
- Contestant can be at any level of Japanese language proficiency
- Contestant may have visited or lived in Japan for any length of time
- Both individual entry or group entry can be allowed. There is no limit of number of people in one group
- No contestant may appear in both individual and group
- The identical presentation cannot be made by a different individual/group from the same school/institution.

Open Division

This Division is open to anyone aged 17 or above who are no longer high school students:

- Contestant must be studying/have studied Japanese as a foreign language
- Contestant may be studying/have studied Japanese as their heritage language
- Contestant can be at any level of Japanese language proficiency
- Contestant may have visited or lived in Japan for any length of time
- Both individual entry or group entry can be allowed. There is no limit of number of people in one group
- No contestant may appear in both individual and group
- The identical presentation cannot be made by a different individual/group from the same institution/organization

4. JUDGING CRITERIA & JUDGES

The marking system is as follows:

Message	50% (message/topic/contestant's view are clear, interesting, attracting and convincing)
Effects	20% (supporting contents are linked well with the message as well as appealing and effective)
Structure	20% (presentation structure is well balanced and easy to follow)
Language	10% (Audience should be able to understand the presentation even with some possible errors in vocabulary, grammar, or pronunciation)

- The presentation should be recorded clearly in the video.
- Please be mindful of the time limit.

5. PRIZES

To be announced on the JF website

6. DATE AND VENUE

The Presentation Contest will be held via video entries directly to The Japan Foundation, Sydney.

Entry will close in mid September (TBC)

The winners will be announced in mid October (TBC) on the JF website