

# JUNE NEWSLETTER



## June General Meeting

Join us for a delightful Hula dance experience at Meijo Park lead by Hula Instructor Itsuko Ando! If you have a long skirt, we encourage you to wear it, as it adds graceful movement and enhances the beauty of the dance. Weather permitting, we'll dance barefoot outside to a beautifully choreographed songs while enjoying the joy of movement, music, and connection together.

Please feel free to bring a water bottle to help keep yourself refreshed and hydrated throughout the morning. Remember to bring sunscreen and a hat for extra protection.

After our dance session and meeting, we will head to Garb Castello with members who RSVP'd to lunch..

We hope you can come enjoy this relaxing and beautiful experience with us!

**\*\*We will have a rainy day plan please check your emails\*\***

## General Meeting June 5th 2026 Meijo Park: 10:20am

Take exit 2 at Meijokoen Station on the Meijo Line. Our meeting spot is at:

(35.1869867, 136.9015521)



# JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Book Club	2 Yamato-e	3	4	5 CCEA General Meeting	6
7	8	9	10 Yamato-e	11 Global Bites	12 CCEA Board Meeting	13
14	15	16 Kimekomi	17 Interest Group Collaboration Art Club Porcelain Painting Restaurant Hunters	18 Hiking & Walking	19	20
21	22	23 Arts & Crafts	24 Day Trip	25	26 Happy Hour Hunters	27 Ikebana & Calligraphy
28	29	30	To those traveling home, we wish you safe travels and smooth journeys ahead. And to all of our members, we hope you enjoy a happy, relaxing, and memorable summer filled with fun, sunshine, and special moments with family and friends. We look forward to seeing everyone again soon!			

## Summer Festival Dates

-  **Nagoya Port Festival (Minato Matsuri) Monday, July 20** (Marine Day holiday) Nagoya Port
-  **Osu Summer Festival July 25–26** Osu Shopping District
-  **Toyota Oiden Fireworks Festival July 26** (approx.) Toyota City
-  **Endoji Tanabata Festival July 29 – August 2** (approx.) Endoji Shotengai
-  **Nagoya Castle Summer Festival August 7–16** (approx.) Nagoya Castle
-  **Neighborhood Obon Festivals Around August 13–16** Throughout Nagoya
-  **Domannaka Festival (Domatsuri) August 28–30** Sakae / Oasis 21 / Hisaya Odori

 **SAVE THE DATE**

**Upcoming General Meetings**

Sept. 4th

**Welcome Back!  
Introduction to  
CCEA and  
Origami**

## Summer Birthday Celebrations!

While CCEA takes a little break over the summer months, we don't want to miss the chance to celebrate the wonderful women in our community who have birthdays during this time. Wishing each of you a joyful, love-filled birthday and a year ahead full of happiness!



### June

Irais-Marié Custodio González- 6/2  
Stephany Miranda-6/6  
Jean Newman- 6/8  
Samantha Brunner- 6/12  
Kimiko Ogawa- 6/17  
Manisha Kundu- 6/19  
Mie Kojima-6/21  
Ashley Conner- 6/23  
Misako Tanimoto-6/26

### July

Kendra O'Blenis- 7/2  
Eva Tagiri- 7/9  
Michiko Mizuno- 7/10  
Ayuko Okuda- 7/12  
Julee Hill-7/30

### August

Amber Griffin- 8/2  
Mari Lake-Schaal- 8/2  
Wetty Tokuhisa- 8/8  
Caroline Chan Costa-8/10  
Jessica Mastin- 8/14  
Cholponai Kyrgyzbaeva- 8/14  
Melike Altintas- 8/27  
Audrey Krzemien- 8/31  
Motoko Kato-8/31  
Chihiro Okuno- 8/31

# Member Spotlight



## Kaori Yamaguchi

I'm currently enjoying my retirement, I go to a gym three times a week and take Tai Chi and Pilates lessons. I also play golf and play the cello. The photo was taken last fall when we visited a friend in Seattle. We are still close and keep in touch via email.

Hello, I'm Kaori Yamaguchi. I have been a member of CCEA for over 30 years. I love being part of an organization and working with everyone there. At CCEA, I served as various roles, such as vice president, program coordinator, membership, newsletter editor, and leader of two groups. Now I am in charge of Art Club. I have met many friends through CCEA, and I am truly grateful for the lasting friendships I have formed.



## 2026 Board Members

**President:**  
Manisha Kundu-Nagata

**Vice President:**  
Chihiro Okuno

**Program Coordinators:**  
Shannon Young  
Anglai Jimenez  
Mutsumi Ishii

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Gwyn Wilson

**Financial Coordinators:**  
Sakiko Kato  
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**Catering Coordinators:**  
Naomi Hasegawa  
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**Marketing Coordinator:**  
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**Administrator:**  
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**Recruitment Coordinator:**  
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Are you interested in becoming a board member? Please contact us for more information!

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