

Chapter Beats February

JETAA Chapter Beat is a periodic mosaic of events taking place in the JETAA sphere. Compiled by [AJET](#)'s Director of Alumni Relations [Megan Buhagiar](#) (Ishikawa Prefecture, 2017- Present)

1) JETAA RM

a. JETAA All Chapter Breckenridge Trip 2020



b. All-Chapter Breckenridge Trip 2020

Join JETAARM the weekend of April 3rd, 2020 for an all-chapter winter weekend getaway in historic Breckenridge! We'll have some fun in the snow while building stronger JET alumni connections. We've booked a private mountain house, with easy access to both the historic mountain town and the ski resort. Join us on the slopes, or enjoy a plethora of other mountain activities like tubing, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing. In the

evenings we'll explore the quaint town of Breckenridge and it's various restaurants, breweries, and shops! And it wouldn't be a JETAA event without some Japanese flavor, so we'll also have *nabe* and curry dinners provided by JETAARM.

Over half of our beds have already been booked!

Purchase your spot ASAP so you don't miss out on this epic vacation!

[>>TICKETS<<](#)

2) JETAA NC

a. Shinnenkai



JETAANC Shinnenkai

**Saturday, February 8 @ JCCCNC
1840 Sutter St, San Francisco**

Join us for an afternoon of food and festivities to celebrate the new year!
Registration information will be coming soon.

3) JETAA NY

a. Japan-a-Mania



When: Saturday, February 15th, 2020 from 10:30am to 3:30pm

Where: Boys and Girls Club of America (Financial District) located at 40 Rector Street, 11th Floor

What: Volunteer and help introduce Japanese culture to NYC youth

RSVP: [Please fill out and submit this Google document.](#) **PLEASE RSVP by 2/13/2020!!!**

Like sharing Japanese culture with NYC youth? Come join us at our annual event with Big Brothers/Big Sisters (BB/BS) of NYC! We volunteer and help introduce Japanese culture to the NYC youth and their big brother/sister through fun and varied activities including: Kimono/Yukata/Happi Coat Fitting, Origami, Japanese Writing, Chopstick Challenge and Making Onigiri (Japanese Rice Balls)

This event runs from 10:30am to 3:30pm. Volunteers will be needed for setup and cleanup before and after the event.

If you are coming, please mark yourself as [attending on Facebook](#).

Questions? Please email Karen

@ community@jetaany.org with any questions!

4) JETAA NSW



'Queer Japan'

movie screening

DATE: Saturday, Feb 15

TIME: 8:30 PM

VENUE: Dendy Cinemas

261 – 263 King Street, Newtown
NSW 2042

Unclassified 18+

100 Mins | 2019 | Japan | USA | English, and Japanese with English subtitles

Think you know Japan? Think again! Prepare for a strange and fascinating journey through the fascinating queer scene of Japan that you won't see in travel guides.

From the underground gay scene in Tokyo, to the avant garde party scene, to the quieter Okinawa – Queer Japan welcomes you to experience the mesmerising spectrum that is 'queer' in this traditionally closed off society.

Created from over 100 interviews conducted over three years, Queer Japan brings dozens of people's experiences to the screen, including internationally renowned gay manga artist Gengoroh Tagame, the first openly transgender elected official Aya Kamikawa, and boundary-pushing artists and drag performers. *Queer Japan* is a wholly inclusive documentary about what it means to be queer.

Get ready for a side of Japan that's brilliant, strange, and will no doubt have you planning your next trip.

Australian Premiere

"The film explores the lives of quiet radicals from Japan's contemporary LGBTQ culture, which overflows with multi-faceted and colorful artists at the cutting edge, with uncompromised practices rarely seen in the Western world" - IndieWire

5) JETAA UK

新年会



a. JETAA NW AGM and Shinnenkai

i. Event: JETAA NW AGM and Shinnenkai.

Where: Egg Cafe Liverpool for the meeting.

Etsu Japanese restaurant for the
meal.

When: February 29th.

Time: Meeting from 15:00.

Meal from 18:00.

Details: Come and join us at the lovely and relaxing Egg Cafe

for a casual chat about the events you'd like to see happen in the NW this year. This will be followed by a meal at Etsu Japanese restaurant to open the new year in style. You are welcome to attend just the meeting, or join us afterwards for the meal. Either way, it will be a great chance to catch up with fellow alumni and enjoy good food and drink together. You are bound to come away with some big smiles and nice memories.

RSVP: northwest@jetaa.org.uk by February 15th.

6) JETAA Ottawa

7) February 8: JETAA Board Game Day (and Karaoke Night!)

Limited to JET alumni and plus-ones.

Board Game Day

Where: The Loft Board Game Lounge (2nd Floor, 14 Waller St)

When: 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Karaoke Night

Where: Popstar Karaoke ([382 Rideau](#))

When: 7:00 – 10:00

[Click here to RSVP on Eventbrite! We need to know if you are coming!](#)

7) JETAA Toronto

JETAA Toronto's Annual Midnight Curling



How many years has it been? Can you believe this will be the 9th annual midnight curling? (Or at least as far as we can tell)

Has anyone been to every single one? Well, if you've never been to our midnight curling, there's no better year to start!

We will be meeting up at the High Park Club for our first round of drinks from 9:00 pm and 40 of JETAA's fiercest (and friendliest) curlers and non-curlers will be hitting the sheets.

Tickets are heavily subsidized at \$20 (+processing fee) per person.

Tickets available here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/jetaa-toronto-21743201399>

Date: Saturday, February 22 – February 23, 2020

Time: 9PM – 2AM

Location: High Park Club

8) JETAA BC

a. Alumni Networking Reception

- i. DATE: February 7th
- ii. TIME: 18:00 – 20:00 PST
- iii. VENUE: 1 Athletes Way, Vancouver,
BC V5Y0B1, Canada
- iv. All alumni are invited to attend the Alumni networking Reception! It is an opportunity to meet career minded JET Alumni and learn from seasoned professionals who progressed from JET ALTs/CIRs into their chosen careers.

The evening will include Q&A with volunteer

sempai in a variety of career paths as well as structured networking activities throughout the evening. The evening will have a light reception.

If there is enough interest there will also be an opportunity to have professional profile photos taken to update your LinkedIn & other profile pages.

This networking event is provided free of cost to all Alumni. Please fill in the form below. Guests are welcome to attend. The deadline to sign up is Wednesday, February 1, 2020.

The reception will take place in Multipurpose Room 1, 1 Athletes Way Vancouver, BC (walking distance from Main St./ Science World Station & Olympic Village Station).

See our Facebook page for more information.

9) JETAA Queensland

a. JETAA 女子会

- i. DATE: Sunday, February 6th
- ii. TIME: 10:00 – 13:00 GMT +10
- iii. VENUE: Crepe KAMON
Shop 1, 60 Vulture Street,
West End 4101

b. 2020 年 JETAA 女子会第一回

Welcome to 2020!

JETAA 女子会 would like to invite members, partners and friends of JETAA QLD to the 1st meeting of 2020.

Theme Song: Stop! In the name of love ~ (We eat crepes)

“For love, we will climb mountains, cross seas, traverse desert sands, and endure untold hardships.” – Gary Chapman

Playing to the theme of love for February, we will be exploring our individual love languages, and answering

questions from the ground-breaking research, “36 questions of love”.

5 <3 Languages:

<https://www.5lovelanguages.com>

36 Q to Love:

<http://36questionsinlove.com>

Participation is optional however decadent crepe is essential.

Come along and enjoy some tasty Japanese-style crepes in the suave suburb West End!

I look forward to seeing you there!

Please RSVP to the facebook event to confirm your attendance

10) JETAA DC

a. JETs@State Networking Event

i. DATE: Thursday, February 6th

ii. TIME: 17:30 – 19:30

iii. VENUE: 2201 C St NW,
Washington, DC 20037

United States

- iv. ***You MUST RSVP through the link by the deadline in order to attend. An RSVP on Facebook is not an official RSVP***.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc_WBHssqjbd-ge91oa_5JTXEToswvP3GPmlQvizaBnrldiw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Come join JETAADC as we network with JETs@State, which includes JET alumni working at the State Department. This event will be an opportunity to connect and network with former JETs currently working at State. Food and drink will be provided!

Please register by Friday, 31st January, and be sure to arrive early, to allow enough time to get through security.

