



# JTAM Journal

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### **Michigan Japanese Quiz Bowl**

The Michigan Japanese Quiz Bowl will be take place on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at the University of Michigan's Modern Languages Building. The competitions are scheduled to begin at 9:00am sharp. We are fortunate this year to have The White Pine Glee Club who will be performing before the final competition.

We have a record number of teams participating in this year's MJQB! There are 300 students making up seventy-two teams from twenty different schools that will attend this year!

Thank you to all the coaches, students, volunteer judges, timekeepers, and scorekeepers for making this event possible. Also, thank you to Jane Ozanich and CJS for organizing the event this year and to Anne Hooghart and Andy Gillman for rewriting all of the quiz questions this year!

A map of the area and campus is below. You may want to enlarge both. For Google or Mapquest mapping purposes the address of the Modern Languages Building is: 812 East Washington Street Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1275.

### **U of M's JSA Festival**

The University of Michigan's Japanese Student Association's Festival will be held on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm until 5:00pm in East Hall. The admission price is \$1 for adults and children. JSA will provide FREE tickets for all students participating in the Michigan Japanese Quiz Bowl!!! There will be cultural demonstrations, performances, and food.

### **MSU's World Languages Day**

Michigan State University is known worldwide for its commitment to international education in an era of ever-increasing globalization. Last year, sixteen campus units joined in sponsoring the first annual World Languages Day; over 200 students, teachers, and parents from more than two dozen Michigan high schools and colleges participated in this event on Saturday, April 2, 2005.

We are pleased to announce the second annual World Languages Day at MSU on Saturday, April 22, 2006. Through extensive advertising, this year's event promises to be much larger than last year's, as Michigan teachers have shown considerable interest and we already have well over 30 schools registered.

Participants last year attended their choice of nearly 40 sessions taught by MSU faculty and guest speakers on topics ranging from Spanish terms of endearment to Swahili greetings, French music, and Tagalog games.

In addition, parents had a chance to learn about admissions, financial aid, student life, language education, and international study. Teachers attended sessions on how to incorporate languages and cultures into their classrooms, shared lesson ideas, and toured MSU's language teaching facilities.

Website for World Languages Day- <http://clear.msu.edu/wld/>

### **CATJ 18<sup>th</sup> Conference**

The Japanese Language Program, University of Michigan would like to invite you to the CATJ 18th conference on 3/4(Saturday) and 3/5(Sunday). Conference topic: The 5 C's of the National Standards for Teaching Japanese/AP Japanese  
Keynote speaker: Prof. Makino, Seiichi (Princeton University, ATJ Past President).

K 12 teachers may be particularly interested in the panel on AP Japanese with presentations by Prof. Tosaku, Prof. Garcia and Prof. Rice (Discussant: Prof. Tabuse). There will also be poster sessions on CALL: Technological Applications.

The Center for Japanese Studies (CJS) and the Japanese Teachers Association of Michigan (JTAM) offer SB-CEU credits for all K-12 teachers who attend the conference.

The registration fee is \$20. The SB-CEU credit will be 0.7. Please see our homepage and register before the early registration date Feb.15.

Homepage: <http://www.lsa.umich.edu/asian/japanese/catj/index.html>

Maps for MJQB and JSA Festival: (You may wish to enlarge these by clicking on the maps)



