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2009 CROSS-CULTURAL SCHOOL TOUR PROGRAM — 32ND CONSECUTIVE YEAR!

INCLUDING A SPECIAL GIFT FROM CHILDREN IN JAPAN!

Dear Administrators and Teachers,

Nippon Kan is a non-profit, cross-cultural organization, showcasing traditional Japanese culture near downtown Denver. The facility features the largest Aikido dojo (martial arts school) in the Rocky Mountain region as well as traditional Japanese gardens, a museum of Japanese folk antiques and crafts, and the award-winning restaurant Domo — featuring country-style Japanese cuisine.

Community service is a large part of Nippon Kan's mission. In that regard, we would like to extend an invitation to any of your teachers who may be interested in bringing their students to Nippon Kan for a cultural tour. Nippon Kan has been providing school tours for the past twenty-nine years and on May 21st, 1994, Nippon Kan received the Community Service Award from Denver Public School's Asian Advisory Council.

Last year alone, over 2,500 students ranging from grades one through twelve visited Nippon Kan as part of their schools' Asian Studies units. For our 1 1/2 hour student tour, an age appropriate curriculum is chosen from a list of the following activities: A tour of the grounds and garden, demonstrations of Aikido, Origami, Japanese games, Brush Calligraphy, a guided lecture stroll through our Japanese folk art museum, and a wonderful country-style Japanese lunch.

Enclosed is an advertisement for the student tour program. Please pass this advertisement along to your teachers — especially those involved with Asian study programs. It is our hope that your students and teachers can take advantage of this opportunity for a truly unique and eye-opening field trip!

Please call to make reservations at Domo Restaurant at 303-595-3666. Tours can be scheduled Monday through Friday, from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. A minimum of thirty participants is required for this tour. A nominal fee for the tour and lunch is \$10 per person. \$7 of this fee is pledged to direct support of Nippon Kan's Aikido Humanitarian Active Networks (AHAN). AHAN contributes and produces humanitarian projects around the world. For more information on Nippon Kan, please visit our website at www.nippon-kan.org, and see the enclosed flyer.

Thank you for your assistance,

Nippon Kan Founder

SIGN YOUR CLASS UP FOR OUR SPECIAL STUDENT TOUR!



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During our 1½ hour tour, your students will . . .

- Experience the sights and sounds of our traditional Japanese culture center including gardens, dojo, museum and restaurant.
- An age-appropriate curriculum is created for the students from the following: origami, an exciting demonstration of the dynamic Japanese martial art Aikido, expert brush calligraphy demonstration, traditional games, and Japanese art, history and cultural lectures.
- Explore our museum of Japanese folk antiques and crafts.
- Sample delicious Japanese country-style cuisine with a lunch from Domo, our award-winning restaurant!

Cost is \$10 per person, plus tax. Please supply tax-exemption information if applicable.
Proceeds will be used to help support humanitarian children's projects world-wide.

A TOUR AT NIPPON KAN...



Koi Nobori adorning the Japanese gardens.



Walking the grounds.



Gathering in the museum.



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AHAN (The Aikido Humanitarian Active Network)

In September 2001, Homma Kancho founded AHAN, the Aikido Humanitarian Active Network as an international outreach program whose purpose is to promote community enrichment and Aikido around the world. Homma Kancho and Nippon Kan students have participated in projects that have benefited communities and especially children in other countries like Nepal, the Philippines, East Timor, Mongolia, Guatemala, Mexico, Turkey, and more.

"Dine at Domo and Feed the World"

DOMO RESTAURANT has been a primary supporter of AHAN projects since it first opened its doors in 1996. Domo has helped AHAN serve over 50,000 meals at the Denver Rescue Mission and participates in AHAN's Cross Cultural School Tour Program by providing Japanese country-style lunches for every tour.

Proceeds from these school tours specifically provide a full ton of rice per month in support of two orphanages in Bangladesh. By participating in these tours, your contribution goes to the direct aid of these children in need.

*For questions and reservations, please call
Domo restaurant at 303-595-3666.*

*Check out our website:
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