

# **VIRTUAL US-JAPAN** **Networking Night Details**

## **Thursday, October 8, 2020 – Run of Show**

- 7:00pm EDT – Welcome (1-minute by each JAS group host/representative + Laurasian Institute)
- 7:10pm EDT – Introduction & Networking Event Rules/Guidelines (Nozomi Morgan, Moderator)
- 7:20pm EDT – Networking Break-Out Session 1
- 7:35pm EDT – Networking Break-Out Session 2
- 7:50pm EDT – Networking Break-Out Session 3
- 8:10pm EDT – Closing Remarks (Peter Kelly, NAJAS President)

## **Virtual US-JAPAN Networking Night Rules & Guidelines**

1. This Virtual Networking Night event will be held online via Zoom in English
2. “Bring” your favorite beverage to the virtual reception for a virtual “Toast & Kampai!”
3. Participants are asked to log-on using a smart phone, tablet, or computer with camera/microphone
4. After logging-on, attendees will wait in a virtual waiting room before being let in by the host
5. Once the program starts, attendees will be randomly placed in breakout rooms in groups of 4
6. Each networking session will last 15-minutes and be repeated 4 times
7. Networking Room rules:
  - Find a quiet space to participate with minimal background noise
  - Do not multi-task (do other work) during the networking
  - Keep conversation respectful & family-friendly to promote friendship
  - Use sample questions on the next page if necessary or use your own questions
  - Follow an organized line-up to ensure each person has a chance to talk
  - Use the mute button if necessary to prevent transmitting background noise
  - Turn on your video whenever possible, and be camera-ready

## **Sample Questions**

What is your Name? Do you have a Nickname?

Where do you live now? Where did you grow up?

What is your connection to Japan or the US?

What do you do now? Why did you choose your profession?

What do you believe is the most fascinating thing about Japan?

What is your favorite Japanese food and why?

What is one thing that you think Americans can learn from Japan/Japanese culture?

What is one thing that you think Japanese can learn from the U.S./American culture?

What excites you right now?

What are your hobbies? What do you like to do on your spare time?

What's the best thing that has happened to you this year?

What book are you reading now?

What is your favorite movie (genre)?

What shows are following on TV, Netflix, Hulu, Amazon, etc.?

What is your favorite type of Japanese/American food? Beverage?

What is your favorite sport?

Where is your favorite place you visited and why?

Where do you want to travel next?