

TOGETHER FOR 3.11

6TH ANNIVERSARY MEMORIAL

FOR JAPAN'S EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI VICTIMS

Six years have passed since March 11, 2011 when the catastrophic earthquake and tsunami hit the Tohoku region of Japan. How many souls were lost that day, and how many tears have been shed since then? Industries and transportation in the devastated areas have been recovering steadily, yet more than 130,000 people still cannot return to their beloved hometowns. As New Yorkers who live far from Japan, and who survived 9.11, what we can do for them is to never forget them. This year we also remember the people who suffered in the massive earthquake that struck the Kumamoto and Oita regions in April 2016. Let us come together again, listen to those voices from Tohoku and Kyushu, and once more send our prayers to the survivors and the souls who were lost. Our message is: "We have not forgotten you. Together we will overcome and help Japan recover."

– SIDE BY SIDE – Let us join our hearts TOGETHER!

Date: 3/5/2017(SUN)

Doors Open: 4:00PM

Memorial Ceremony: 4:45PM-6:15PM

Doors Close: 7:00PM

Place: First Church of Christ, Scientist

10 West 68th Street at Central Park West, New York, NY 10023
Closest Subway: ● at 66th St. (Lincoln Center) B C at 72nd St.

Admission: Free (donations for Japan Relief will be accepted)

All profits will be used to support relief in Japan's affected areas. 2016 Kumamoto Earthquake and the Great East Japan Earthquake in Tohoku.

Memorial Details:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1778762325681968>

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Speakers:

Ambassador Reicho Takahashi, Consul General of Japan in New York

Mr. Motoatsu Sakurai, President of Japan Society

Takeshi Matsunaga, 4th Generation Studio Master, Matsunaga Pottery Studio, Namie, Fukushima Prefecture

Futoshi Toba, Mayor, Rikuzentakata, Iwate Prefecture (Video Message)

Naomi Ogasawara, Founder and Board Chairman, Garnet Miyagi (NPO), Miyagi Prefecture (Video Message)

Nobuko Iwase, Proprietress, Okamotoya Inn, Beppu, Oita Prefecture (Video Message)

Minato Preschool, Soma, Fukushima Prefecture (Video Message)

Circle Wind Boys & Girls Choir (Performance)

Moderator: AK Akemi Kakiyama

Executive Director, TOGETHER FOR 3.11, Fellowship for Japan

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