



Consulate General of Japan in Miami

## Japan U.S. Military Program (JUMP) Returns to Pensacola

**PENSACOLA, Fla.** (September 27, 2017) – The Japan-America Society of Northwest Florida is celebrating the strong alliance between the U.S. and Japan by hosting a Japan-U.S. Military Program (JUMP) reception organized by the Consulate General of Japan in Miami at the National Naval Aviation Museum on October 7 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Through social networks and events, JUMP connects past and present service members, families and government civilians who have served in Japan, providing a powerful foundation for sustaining the solid alliance and friendship that exists between the two nations.

More than 50,000 members of the U.S. military are stationed in Japan at any given time and, in any given year, the total number of those affiliated with the U.S. military bases in Japan swells to nearly 100,000 individuals.

The event will facilitate reunions with tables representing the U.S. bases in Japan, such as Okinawa, Sasebo, Iwakuni, Yokosuka, Yokota, Zama, Atsugi and Misawa from noon until 1:00 p.m. when the program starts. The program, which will be held at the Blue Angels Atrium, will feature remarks by Consul General of the Consulate General of Japan in Miami Ken Okaniwa and retired Navy Rear Adm. James D. Kelly, former Commander of Naval Forces Japan. A reception follows on the USS Cabot flight deck in the museum until 4:00p.m.

The program includes cultural presentations with Taiko (Japanese drum), Shakuhachi (bamboo flute) and Japanese dance.

JUMP is a collaborative effort between Sasakawa U.S.A., the Embassy of Japan in the United States, and the National Association of Japan-America Societies. Four Japan-America Societies are chosen each year to present a JUMP event and the Japan-America Society of Northwest Florida has been selected each year since 2015.

For questions, please email to [info@jasnwfl.org](mailto:info@jasnwfl.org) or call at 850-602-7049. For more information about JUMP, visit <http://www.jumprogram.org/>.

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