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Taipa Village Cultural Association Presents Japanese Culture and Music Festival

Event aims to foster closer cultural ties between Macau and Japan through music, gastronomy and art



Macau, 4th September 2018 – Taipa Village Cultural Association is proud to host a spectacular Japanese Culture and Music Festival, with the aim of fostering closer cultural ties between Macau and Japan. This latest event to take place in the historic district of Taipa Village Macau is sponsored by the Macao Foundation and supported by the Consulate General of Japan in Hong Kong.

The festival will feature four standout Japanese musical acts, specially invited to perform in Macau. These include solo musician Hitoshi, shamisen, guitar combo Inamine Yukino & Tatsuya, funk & rock band FutarimeNoGiant, and the return of the popular rock band Funkist. The performance line up will also be accompanied by four local bands, including rock bands Singlepathmacau and The land of Children, fusion funk & electronic band Pyjamas, as well as the Portuguese trio CPM Band.

In addition to showcasing musical trends and culture, the festival will promote Japanese martial arts, presented by two leading Macau associations – Macau Iaido Youshinkai and S.K.I.F.-Macau karate-do Obukan – which will showcase the skills and techniques of Iaido Enbu, Jodo Enbu and karate.

The two-day festival will also feature a feast of Japanese gourmet food, with a generous selection of Japanese cuisine, including snacks and beverages, complemented by handicraft booths displaying the craftsmanship of local artists and promoting Japanese culture. Visitors will have the chance to try on the yukata, a type of kimono commonly worn at festivals and celebrations in Japan, as well as to write their wishes on Japanese ema, small wooden plaques



which are commonly found in Japan. Those with an artistic bent can also try their hand at Japanese calligraphy and termari art under the guidance of expert instructors.



Japanese band FutarimeNoGiant



Shamisen performer Inamine Yukino

“We are proud to host this spectacular event in the historic district of Taipa Village Macau.” says Pamela Chan, director at Taipa Village Cultural Association. “Aside from Japanese highlights, the event has been infused with local Macanese elements to foster closer cultural ties between Macau and Japan through music, gastronomy and art.”

“We are confident that this festival will further enrich Macau’s culturally diverse scene and further cement the position of Taipa Village as Macau’s leading non-gaming and cultural destination.”

The Japanese Culture and Music Festival forms another milestone for Taipa Village Cultural Association as it continues to work closely with the Macau government to promote the cultural diversity of Taipa Village. The event will also present a new artistic and cultural attraction for local and international visitors, and contribute to the sustainable development of non-gaming tourism in Macau.

Japanese Culture and Music Festival General Information

Date: 22nd – 23rd September 2018

Time: 12:00pm to 7:00pm

Venue: Feiro do Carmo, Rua do Cunha ([location map](#))

Activity: Japanese and Macanese bands, martial arts performances, Japanese and Macanese gourmet booths, Japanese handicrafts and cultural experiences

Admission: Free



Taipa Village Cultural Association
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About Taipa Village Cultural Association

Taipa Village Cultural Association was established in 2016 as a non-profit association comprised of representatives from both the local community and broader Macau. The association aims to highlight the uniqueness of Taipa Village's heritage by raising awareness of its attractions and cementing its position as a distinctive community that benefits all of Macau.

Numerous initiatives are planned to preserve, enrich and cement the village as a tourist and cultural destination, including a diverse range of artistic and cultural attractions that will allow visitors and future generations to enjoy a unique experience of the authentic Macau.

About Taipa Village

Located in an historic enclave on Taipa Island, Taipa Village was originally inhabited by fishermen – a heritage that lives on today in its quaint village street layout and evocative, pastel-hued shophouses, nestled alongside colonial churches and Chinese temples. The village, with its rich history, offers an inspiring, East-meets-West alternative to Macau's casinos, and is a must-go destination for visitors and locals alike.

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