

Performing/Martial Arts

Japanese Dance

Folk

- **Midwest Buddhist Temple** (*Minyo*)
 - <http://www.midwestbuddhisttemple.org/temple-organizations.htm>
- **Awa Odori Chicago**
 - <http://awaodorichicago.com/>

Classical

- **Mr. Shunojo Fujima**
 - <http://www.jasc-chicago.org/>
 - **Wakayagi Shiyukai – Ms. Mitsu Uchimoto**
 - 773-275-6660
 - **Ms. Kazume Mizuki**
 - 3840 Anjou Ln.
 - Hoffman Estates, IL 60195
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Music/Instruments

Koto

- **Chicago Koto Group**
 - <https://www.facebook.com/ChicagoKotoGroup>
- **Jeff Wichmann**
 - <http://www.jeffwichmann.com/id3.html>
- **Takako Basset**
 - 224-778-5360

Shamisen

- **TOYOAKI SHAMISEN**
 - <http://www.toyoaki.org/>
- **Japanese American Service Committee**
 - <http://www.jasc-chicago.org/>

Shinobue

- **Ms. Ikuto Armandi**
 - 708-772-7757

Taiko

- **Tsukasa Taiko** (Chicago, IL)
 - <http://taikolegacy.com/index.html>
 - **Midwest Buddhist Temple Taiko Group** (Chicago, IL)
 - <http://www.midwestbuddhisttemple.org/>
 - **Ho Etsu Taiko** (Chicago, IL)
 - <http://hoetsu.com/>
 - <https://www.facebook.com/hoetsutaiko>
 - **Kokyo Taiko, Buddhist Temple of Chicago** (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-334-4661
 - **Three Trails Taiko** (Kansas City, MO/KS)
 - <http://www.threetrailstaiko.com/>
 - **Fort Wayne Taiko** (Fort Wayne, IN)
 - <http://fwdc.org/FWDC/fwtaiko-2/fort-wayne-taiko-classes/>
 - **Osuwa Taiko** (St. Louis, MO)
 - <http://www.stltaiko.com/>
 - **Kokyo Taiko** (Lincoln, NE)
 - <http://www.kokyotaiko.com/>
 - **Okinawan Taiko Drummers** (Madison, WI)
 - <http://otdw.com/>
 - **Kogen Taiko** (St. Paul/Minneapolis, MN)
 - <http://www.kogentaiko.org/>
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Contest and Competitions

Music Competitions

- **Pacific Music Festival**
 - http://www.pmf.or.jp/index_en.php

- **Sendai International Music Festival**

- <http://www.simc.jp/>

Writing

- **International Essay Contest**

- <http://www.goipeace.or.jp/english/activities/programs/1301.html>

- **Japan Foreign Trade Council**

- <http://www.jftc.or.jp/english/discourse/archives/index.html>

- **Japanese Language Publishing Project**

- <http://www.jlpp.go.jp/en/competition/>

Speech and Japanese Language

- **JIC Speech Contest**

- <http://www.chicago.us.emb-japan.go.jp/JIC/spchcont.html>

- **Japan Bowl (national competition)**

- <http://jaswdc.org/Default.aspx?pagelid=1451994>

- **Japan America Society of Minnesota's J-Quiz**

- <http://mn-japan.org/programs/education/j-quiz/>

- **Japan Foundation International Speech Contest in Japanese**

- <http://www.jpf.go.jp/e/japanese/event/benron/index.html>

- **Japanese Language Scholarship Foundation All-USA High School Japanese Speech Contest (national competition)**

- <http://www.jlsf-aurora.org/>

- **Japanese Olympiad of Indiana**

- <http://pages.iu.edu/~kkuriyam/AITJ/home.html>

- **University of Iowa Japanese Speech Contest**

- <https://www.facebook.com/pages/The-University-of-Iowa-Japanese-Program/125728154272214>

- **University of Wisconsin Madison Japanese Speech Contest**

- <https://www.youtube.com/user/uwmadisonjapanesespc>

Fine Arts

- **Asia Awards**

- <http://www.designboom.com/competition/asia-awards-2013/>
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Translation/Interpretation Services

- **Japan Association of Translators**
 - <http://jat.org/>
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Tea Ceremony

- **Ms. Joyce Kubose** (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-794-0504
 - **Mrs. Soka Shimotake** (Hinsdale, IL)
 - 630-323-4532
 - **Mrs. Soten Takahara** (Iverness, IL)
 - 847-202-9134
 - **Urasenke Chicago**, Chapter President Dr. Dean Rafaelli (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-561-8359
 - **Mr. Omar Francis** (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-398-9608
 - ofrancis88@comcast.net
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Martial Arts

Aikido

- **Aikido Association of America** (Arlington Heights, IL)
 - 847-797-1437
- **Japanese Culture Center** (Oak Lawn, IL)
 - 708-857-8577
- **Japanese Culture Center** (Aikido Assoc. Int'l Headquarters) (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-525-3141
- **Midwest Aikido Center**, Akira Tohei, Chief Instructor (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-293-4535
- **Chicago Aikikai** (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-935-2334

- River Trails Park District, Instructor D. Schmitt (Mount Prospect, IL)
 - 847-255-1200

Judo

- **Kokushikan Judo Academy** c/o Fonseca Martial Arts, Mr. Yoshinaga, Head Instructor (Evanston, IL)
 - 847-776-3567
- **Tohkan Judo Academy**, Doug Tono, Head Instructor (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-784-7766
- **Japanese American Service Committee**
 - 773-275-7212

Karate

- **Japanese Culture Centers** (see Aikido)
- **Midwest Buddhist Temple**
 - 312-943-7801
- **Shidokan Sports Center**
 - 847-253-7509

Kendo

- **Choyokan Kendo Dojo** (Chicago, IL)
 - 312-362-1709
 - www.choyokan-kendo.org
- **Dee Park Recreation Center** (Des Plaines, IL)
 - <http://www.choyokan-kendo.org/>
- **Midwest Kendo Dojo**, Instructor Frank Matsumoto (Chicago, IL)
 - 773-583-2282