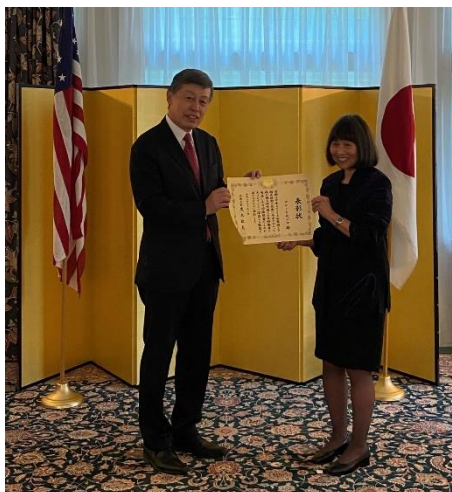


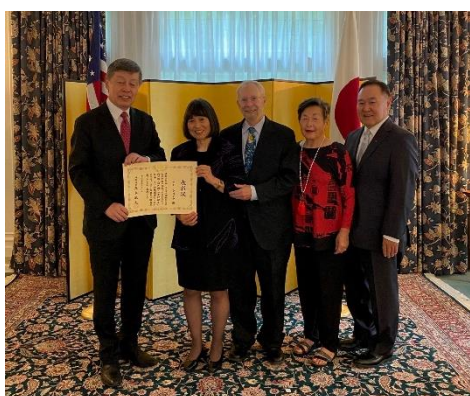
Foreign Minister's Commendation Ceremony for Ms. Anne Shimojima

On Friday, August 6, 2021, a conferment ceremony for the 2020 Foreign Minister's Commendation was held at the Official Residence of the Consul-General of Japan in Chicago where Consul-General OKADA Kenichi presented the Foreign Minister's Commendation to Ms. Anne Shimojima, a professional storyteller.

Ms. Shimojima's family attended the ceremony. Consul-General Okada gave congratulatory remarks and presented the Certificate of Commendation to Ms. Shimojima, after which she gave her reply address.



Consul-General Okada and Ms. Anne Shimojima



Consul-General Okada, Ms. Anne Shimojima and her family and relatives (From Left; Mr. Jonathan Friedman (spouse of Ms. Shimojima), Mrs. Carol Yoshino (cousin of Ms. Shimojima), Mr. Bill Yoshino (Mrs. Carol Yoshino's spouse and recipient of the Order of the Rising Sun with Gold Rays and Rosette)