



The Japan-America Society of Washington DC
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Otsukimi

*Moon Viewing at the
U.S. National Arboretum*

3501 New York Avenue, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002



Saturday, October 3, 2009
5:30 – 8:00 p.m.
Held Rain or Shine

Join the **Japan-America Society of Washington DC (JASW)** and the **U.S. National Arboretum** for an exclusive nighttime opening of the Arboretum as we celebrate the ancient custom of admiring the Harvest Moon. There will be a full moon that night. Families are welcome, and children 15 years of age and under are admitted without charge. Parking is free.

Attendees may bring their own picnic dinner or order an obento (lunch-box with Japanese food) through JASW. JASW will provide sake, soft drinks, and dango/daifuku. **Obento orders MUST be received and paid for in advance no later than Monday, September 28.** There is no special obento for children. Vegetarian obento is available by request only. Obento cancellations after September 28 and no shows cannot be refunded.

This year we will have lots to do during JASW's Otsukimi event!

- ❖ The National Arboretum's **Bonsai Museum** will be open during Otsukimi with docents on duty.
- ❖ The **Washington Toho Koto Society** will play and inspire all of us to write haiku as we gaze up to the stars.
- ❖ We will be introducing **Shodo** (calligraphy) demonstrations, **Otsukimi Origami**, and a new game called "**Otsukimi Karuta**".
- ❖ **Obon dance.** We will teach you Japanese obon dances. Wear your yukata and join us!

Otsukimi at the U.S. National Arboretum, Saturday, October 3, 2009

Registration on-line (www.us-japan.org/dc), by mail or fax it to JASW by **September 28, 2009.**

*\$5 of your registration fee will be donated to the National Arboretum for their generous support.

<input type="checkbox"/> Check (<i>make payable to JASW</i>)		<input type="checkbox"/> MasterCard		<input type="checkbox"/> Visa *	
Credit Card #: _____		Exp. Date: ____ / ____			
Signature: _____		V-Code: _____			
*Credit card registration must include the billing address for the card					

JASW member w/ no obento	_____ x \$20
Non-member w/ no obento	_____ x \$25
Children 15 & under	_____ Free
JASW member with obento	_____ x \$35
Non-member with obento	_____ x \$40
Children 15 & under with obento	_____ x \$15
Total amount enclosed:	\$ _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

All attendees must be on the security guard list for the National Arboretum regardless of age.

Additional Name(s): _____

Payment to: **The Japan-America Society of Washington DC, 1819 L Street NW, 1B Level, Washington, DC 20036**
or fax (202) 833-2456. If you have any questions, please call us at (202) 833-2210.