

What is World Uchinanchu Day?

On October 30, 2016 (Sunday), in the closing ceremony of the 6th World Uchinanchu Festival, Governor of Okinawa Takeshi Onaga, the President of the Convention Executive Committee, declared the establishment of "World Uchinanchu Day". The World Uchinanchu Day was proposed and created thanks to the efforts of two Okinawan descendants Andres Higa (Argentinian) and Tadashi Andres Ysa Urbina (Peruvian), who live in Nago city.

Over 100 years ago, Uchinanchu strived to succeed in foreign lands, carrying a strong will and the spirit of Bankoku Shinryo (Bridge between Nations). They overcame many difficulties, and created new lives abroad, and passed on their Okinawan culture and identity to their children and grandchildren. Our hope is to promote and develop the international Uchina network they have created and help it to prosper in the future. With this goal, World Uchinanchu Day was created on this day. (from <https://wun.jp/en/wud>)

A Short History of Yuiden

Chicago's original Okinawa performance stage ~Yuiden~ was first performed in 2018. Yuiden means, come together and deliver the message. 2018, with the support from Okinawa government, they two instructors were sent to Chicago to share and cultivate Okinawan culture. Mr. Daiichi Hirata (creator of Dynamic Ryukyu) and Uezu Yasuhide (Leader of creative Eisa group the Legend of Dragon) joined our performance team to create the world Uchinanchu day celebration stage, Yuiden. Since 2018, we have performed at venues Glenview, Japanese School, New Trier High School bringing our exciting performance to over 2000 attendees.



Yuiden 2021 Film showing

This year, due to flexible situation of COVID, we are celebrating the World Uchinanchu day by viewing the performance as a movie. The movie will be a history of our past performances, current performances and added content.

We will be renting a venue to show the movie on a large screen for everyone to enjoy.

Yuiden Schedule

When: end of Oct. or Early Nov.

It all depends on the rental space availability. We will let you know as soon as possible

Where: to be determined.

Within the Chicago Northern suburbs

Updates will be provided on website

chicagookinawakenjinkai.com

Ways to involve :

sponsor/advertisement

You can support us by becoming a sponsor. sponsorship starts at \$25. You can put your business advertisement or you can put a personal message in the space. More information please contact Okinawa Kenjinkai Officers.

Volunteer

all the willing person are welcome!

Reception desk, Ushers, Photo, assistants...

job description will be on the website later date.

How to be in the film

Slide show Pictures:

We are making a slide show of our children. The collected pictures will be shown during the movie with the music. Send a jpeg or other image format to Minori Yamaki (yamakimr1@hotmail.com) by Aug, 15th



Message board: 『Corona bushi』

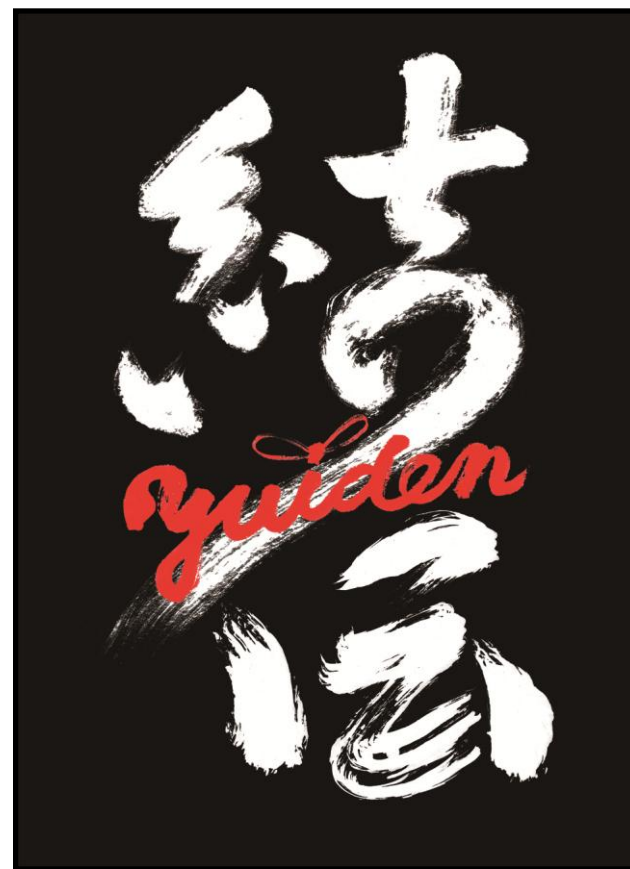
Pandemic was hard for all of us yet, we are still going strong! we plan to encourage one another to keep moving forward. For the film, we like to send our heart warming message out to the world with the song Corona bushi. if you would like to participate, an officer will be filming during the picnic!

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