

FUKUOKA PRIZE 2018 MEDIA INVITATION PRESS TOUR

August 29, 2018

Fukuoka City and the Fukuoka City International Foundation would like to invite the representatives of foreign media to a press tour in Fukuoka highlighting the Awards Ceremony and other official functions of the Fukuoka Prize, with a unique opportunity to cover Fukuoka's various policies regarding Asia and its traditional cultures.

ISEKAWA Yukimitsu
Secretary-General
Fukuoka Prize Committee

1. Summary of Press Tour

- 1) Dates: Thursday, September 20 – Friday, September 21
- 2) Itinerary: See attached
- 3) Number of journalists: one journalist per each organization
The maximum number of journalists including other organizations is 12.
*Please note that if the number of applications exceeds the maximum, some journalists will be unable to participate in the tour.
- 4) Condition for application: Journalists must cover the Fukuoka Prize at least once before the end of October 2018. Good command of English is required.
- 5) Expenses: Return flight ticket (economy class) between Tokyo and Fukuoka and accommodation fees during stay in Fukuoka (from September 20 to 21) will be covered by the Committee. Please note that an English-language interpreter will accompany you throughout the tour.
- 6) There are official events related to the Fukuoka Prize from September 19 (Wed) to 22 (Sat) (See the attached "Itinerary Fukuoka Prize 2018 Official Events"). Journalists will be allowed to cover the events. For more information, please contact the Secretariat. Stay in Fukuoka between 19 (Wed) and 22 (Sat) September will be arranged by the Secretariat.

2. How to Apply

To apply for this media event, please send an email to acprize@gol.com with your name, the name of your organization, your mobile phone number and your email address, or send the completed form below via fax by 5 p.m. JST, on Thursday, September 6.

The secretariat will contact all applicants by Monday, September 10, with the outcome of their application.

3. Laureates of the Fukuoka Prize 2018

- JIA Zhangke – Film Director from China – Grand Prize
- SUEHIRO Akira – Economist, Expert in Area Studies (Thailand) from Japan – Academic Prize
- Teejan Bai – Pandavani Performer from India – Arts and Culture Prize

Please check our website (<http://fukuoka-prize.org/en/laureate/>) for more details about the laureates.

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Application form

Name of organization	
Name of applicant	
Area of expertise	
Mobile phone number	
Email address	

For further information: Secretariat of the Fukuoka Prize Committee (located in the International Affairs Dept. of Fukuoka City Government)

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Date	Time	Activities
Thur Sep 20	Morning	Arrival in Fukuoka
	10:00 – 12:20	Mayor’s Presentation on Overview of Fukuoka City, Press Conference and Individual Interviews of the Laureates by Journalists
	p.m.	Fukuoka City Tour
	18:30 – 20:00	Fukuoka Prize 2018 Award Ceremony
Fri, Sep 21	a.m.	Departure from Fukuoka

1) Fukuoka Prize

Internationally recognized prize organized by Fukuoka City given to individual and/or group that contributed to preservation and creation of Asian cultures.

Established in 1990. To date 112 individuals from 27 countries and regions have been selected.

Muhammad Yunus from Bangladesh and Mo Yan from China who went on to receiving Nobel Prizes have also been awarded in the past.

Prince and Princess Akishino have attended the Award Ceremony since 2004.

Programs such as Public Lectures and School Visits offer Fukuoka citizens the opportunity to interact with the laureates.

2) Conditions

1. Journalists must cover the Fukuoka Prize at least once before the end of October 2018.
2. Good command of English is required since English is the working language for the Press Tour.
3. Journalists must participate in “Fukuoka City Tour” with other journalists in the Press Tour.
4. Please note the schedule above is subject to change.
5. If a journalist likes to extend his/her stay in Fukuoka for a day/days after September 22 or arrive before September 19 s/he must pay expenses related to this such as hotel and meal.



Itinerary

Fukuoka Prize 2018 Official Events

Date	Time	Event	Outline
Wed, Sep 19	18:30~21:30	Public Forum	<p>【Grand Prize】 JIA Zhangke "The Core of Jia Zhangke's work: Capturing 'Contemporary' China in Film"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Screening of <i>Mountains May Depart</i> • Panel discussion
Thur, Sep 20	10 : 00~12 : 20	Press Conference, Interviews of Laureates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Fukuoka City by Mayor • Photo session • Press conference • Interviews of laureates
	18 : 30~20 : 00	Award Ceremony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of laureates • Welcome remarks by Mayor • Acceptance speech by laureates • Special performance(s)
Fri, Sep 21	10 : 10~11 : 30	School Visit	【Arts and Culture Prize】 Teejan Bai
	10 : 40~12 : 10	Laureates visit schools in Fukuoka	【Grand Prize】 JIA Zhangke
	11:00~13 : 00	City and tell pupils/ students about his/her works and life experiences for nurturing young generation.	【Academic Prize】 SUEHIRO Akira
	14 : 25~16 : 15		【Arts and Culture Prize】 Teejan Bai
Sat, Sep 22	11 : 00~13 : 00	Public Forum	<p>【Academic Prize】 SUEHIRO Akira "Forty Years of My Study on Asian Economy: From Catch-up Industrialization to Digital Economy"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keynote speech • Panel discussion
	16 : 00~18 : 00	Public Forum	<p>【Art and Culture Prize】 Teejan Bai "The World of Pandavani: A Narrative Singing of the Mahabarata, the Ancient Indian Epic"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of <i>the Mahabharata</i>, the ancient Indian epic, and <i>Pandavani</i> , a narrative singing • Performance of Pandavani