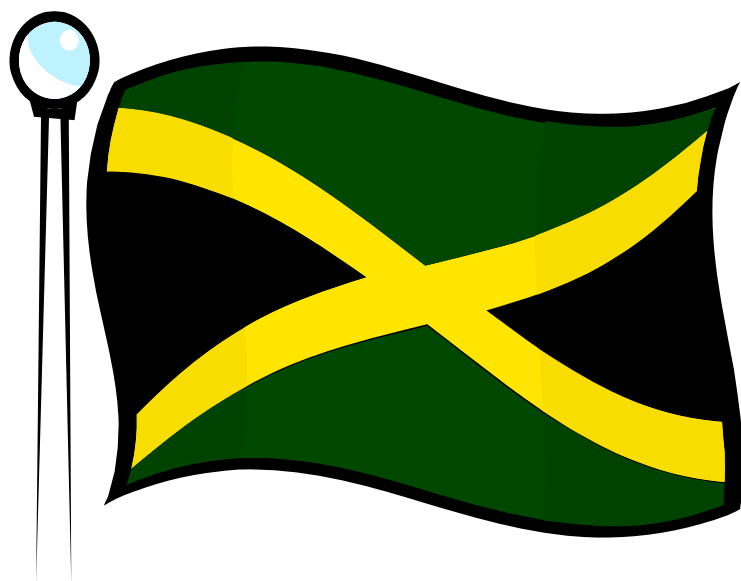


Jamaica (Caribbean Countries)



Japan Exchange Teaching Program(me)
Alumni Association

Are you going home to a Caribbean country other
than Jamaica?

Currently, there is only a JETAA chapter in Jamaica. We are looking to help set up sub-chapters in other Caribbean countries, so please get in touch with us if you're interested in helping out!



JETAA Chapter: Jamaica (JM1)

<u>Number of Members:</u>	26
<u>Committee Positions:</u>	President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Events Coordinator
<u>Activities:</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Planning and execution of school visits—primary to tertiary level ● Engage in JET promotions and promotion of Japanese culture at various events such as International Days ● Assisting the Embassy of Japan with coordination of cultural events ● Assisting in the recruitment, screening and selection of new ALTs ● Assisting the Embassy of Japan in pre-departure orientations for outgoing ALTs ● Preparation of Handbook for outgoing ALTs ● Preparation and circulation of Annual Newsletter to current JETs and JET Programme stakeholders ● Essay competition for high school students to promote awareness of Japan ● Any other promotional activities that may arise during the course of the year or as requested by the Embassy
<u>Website:</u>	www.jamaica.jetalumni.org (currently inactive but efforts are ongoing to activate the site in 2007)
<u>Contacts:</u>	Janet Crick—President janais2000@yahoo.com
<u>Finding a job:</u>	Most returnees find jobs on the basis of their formal area of study or through their network of contacts. The period for finding a job may extend up to 6 months depending on the individual's expertise and the job market at the time.
<u>Cultural and Sporting Groups:</u>	The Alumni Association does not have any formal cultural and sporting groups, however we meet on a social basis at various times during the year. There is a plethora of cultural and sporting groups and associations across the island which returning JETs can become affiliated with.
<u>Further Study:</u>	Many returnees have engaged themselves in further studies (Japanese or otherwise). There are opportunities to continue studies in Japanese and numerous opportunities to continue tertiary studies up to the doctorate level in a range of disciplines.



The JET Alumni Association (JETAA) was created in 1989 to strengthen and maintain the bonds of friendship developed between JET Programme participants. It currently has 50 chapters in 16 participating home countries, and over 20,000 members. Through its activities, JETAA aims to promote a broader and deeper understanding of Japan and the countries participating on the JET Programme.

In support of JETAA, CLAIR assists with its funding, and also compiles a number of alumni-related resources including the JET Streams newsletter. All JET participants receive a Membership Form to join JETAA prior to completing their tenure on the JET Programme, and are strongly encouraged to join the JETAA chapter nearest them. For further information about JETAA or for contact details of the various chapters, check the JETAA International website at:

<http://www.jetalumni.org/>