## **Japanese Calendar Exhibition 2016**

On Saturday, March 5, 2016, the Embassy of Japan hosted "the Japanese Calendar Exhibition 2016" at a Hotel in Kingston. The Exhibition was well attended by more than 350 persons despite the rain.

The Japanese calendars, donated by the Japanese Calendar Association, were exhibited and enjoyed by the visitors. Many people participated in various Japanese cultural activities such as *Kendama* (Cup-and-Ball game), *Fukuwarai* (Make-a-Face game), *Origami* (folding paper), *Wanage* (Ringtoss) and so on. Others enjoyed creating a calendar with their own Calligraphy or illustration design. Additionally, there were other exciting live demonstrations that featured *Aikido*, *Karate*, *Iaido* (Japanese martial art with a sword), *Naginata* (one of the traditionally made Japanese blades), gymnastics, synchronized swimming, Japanese anime cosplay and radio control remote car. There were also information sessions providing detailed information on the Japan exchange and teaching (JET) program (opportunity to teach English in Japan) and Japanese Government Scholarship program introduced by alumni associations.



Opening remarks by Ambassador Nakano



Fukuwarai (Make-a-Face game)



Calendar Display



Radio Control Remote Car



Japanese Calligraphy





Origami (folding paper)

Synchronized swimming



Ikebana (Japanese style flower arrangement)





Karate

Create your own calendar