

## The Bahamas-Japan Cultural Show

On Saturday, October 14, 2017, the Embassy of Japan and the Japanese Visual Arts Society (JVAS) co-hosted The Bahamas-Japan Cultural Show at the Performing Arts Center, University of The Bahamas.

The cultural show was presented in three parts. The first segment was used for workshop of Yukata, Origami, Japanese calligraphy and Japanese language. For the second segment, a seminar was conducted on opportunities to study in Japan at the graduate and undergraduate levels under the Japanese Government Scholarship Program. The climax of the event was the stage performance, including Japanese and Bahamian dances, karate and other martial arts forms, plays based on a Japanese old tale and a story book for children, and Rakugo; a form of Japanese verbal entertainment developed in Edo Period (1603-1868).



(left) Experienceing Japanese Traditional Clothing, Yukata

(right) Seminar on the Japanese Government Scholarship



(left) Japanese calligraphy



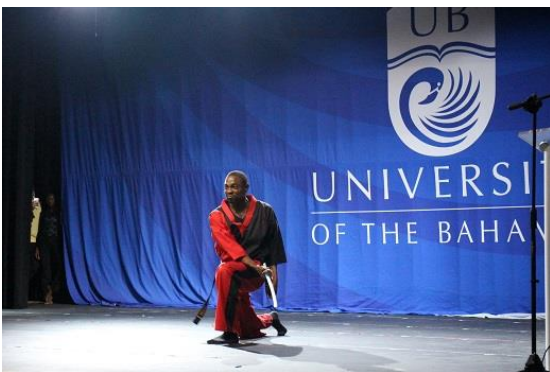
(right) Imitation of a custom of Tanabata (Japanese festival in July)



(left) Children performing Karate



(right) Excited audience to view the performance



(left) Martial arts performance with a Katana (Japanese sword)



(right) Dance inspired by Japanese Geisha performance



(left) Storytelling of a Bahamian story in Japanese Rakugo style



(right) A play "Red Ogre Who Cried"