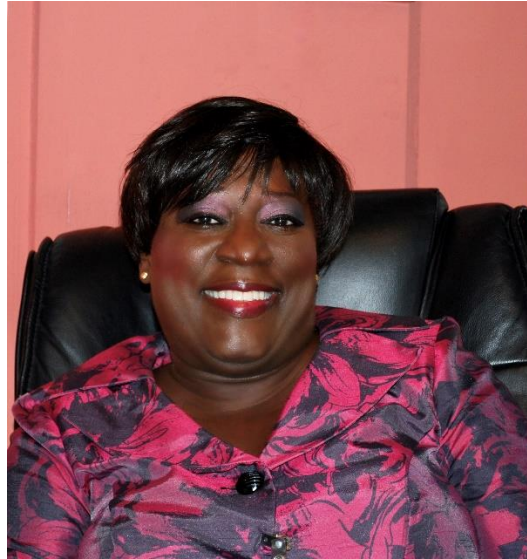


Professor Beverly-Anne Carter receives National Decoration from Japan



Professor Beverly-Anne Carter awarded “The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette”

On April 29 2023, the Government of Japan announced the conferment of the 2023 Spring Conferment of Decorations, “The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette” on Professor Beverly-Anne Carter, Former Director, Centre for Language Learning, Faculty of Humanities and Education, The University of the West Indies (UWI), St. Augustine, in recognition of her exceptional contribution to the promotion of academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Trinidad and Tobago.

Established in 1875, the Orders of the Rising Sun was Japan’s first national decoration awarded by the Government of Japan. It features rays of sunlight radiating from the rising sun with an attachment that is fashioned in the shape of a paulownia flower and leaf. The Order of the Rising Sun is conferred on the persons who have rendered outstanding service to the nation or the public, including foreign nationals who achieved significant contributions to advancing relations between Japan and its partners.

Professor Beverly-Anne Carter served at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus as a Lecturer and Senior lecturer in the French Language, as Deputy Dean in the Faculty of Humanities and Education and then served as the Director of the Centre for Language Learning (CLL) for about 17 years.

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During her 17 years as the Director for the Centre for Language Learning (CLL), Professor Carter contributed to the promotion of academic exchange and mutual understanding between Japan and Trinidad and Tobago. In addition to promoting Japanese language education at CLL, Professor Carter has also contributed to the promotion of understanding of Japan by hosting Japanese cultural exhibitions and culture festivals, among other events, at CLL. Furthermore, under her leadership, in August 2019, the Centre for Language Learning of the University of the West Indies received the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan Commendation for its contribution to Japanese language education for more than twenty years in this country.



Staff of the Centre of Language Learning with Professor Carter and former Ambassador of Japan to Trinidad and Tobago Mr. HIRAYAMA Tatsuo on August 2019