

Embassy of Japan Supports Youth Empowerment at Seishonen Guyana School Tour Finale

The Embassy of Japan is pleased to announce that H.E. Ambassador Dr. Akima Umezawa attended the final day of the Seishonen Guyana's School Tour on November 28, 2025, where he delivered a cultural presentation to students at the National Cultural Centre. The session provided students with insight into Japan's culture and traditions, highlighting the importance of punctuality, cleanliness, courtesy and respect in the pursuit of collective harmony through education in Japanese society. Students expressed excitement at learning about Japanese customs firsthand, noting that the experience broadened their understanding of global cultures.

The six-week School Tour, organized by Seishonen Guyana in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Modec, aimed to empower approximately 720 students across six secondary schools through workshops in Craft, Art, Empowerment, and Technology. Activities such as kimono craftsmanship, cosplay design, manga creation, mental health awareness, 3D printing, drone technology, and internet safety, all led by skilled facilitators in each field.

The Embassy of Japan has collaborated with Seishonen Guyana since 2023 in their efforts to expand creative and educational opportunities for Guyanese youth, contributing cultural workshops on calligraphy and tea ceremony to their annual FumaCon event. Discussions for continued collaboration between the Embassy and Seishonen Guyana are already underway in preparation for cultural activities at FumaCon 2026.

Ambassador Umezawa commended the program's impact and reaffirmed Japan's commitment to deepening cultural exchange with Guyana. He noted that engaging with young people helps strengthen long-term ties between both nations and praised Seishonen Guyana's ongoing efforts in expanding opportunities for youth development and cross-cultural learning.



Ambassador Umezawa delivers his Presentation at the Seishonen Guyana School Tour finale



Students listen intently as they learn about Japanese culture and traditions



Ambassador Umezawa with students that attended the Seishonen Guyana School Tour finale



Attendees at the National Cultural Centre for the Seishonen Guyana School Tour finale