What’s CLAIR Fellowship Program?

The program has been affording senior state and local government officials an opportunity to experience Japanese government administration first hand.
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Promotion of tourism industry in Kagawa

from January 20 to 30

This year the program will be held in Tokyo and Kagawa prefecture.
This year’s main theme is
Promotion Of Tourism Industry
From an idea, born of business and local government, to turn the island of Naoshima into place to appreciate culture and art, the Setouchi islands have become a unique destination for arts-loving tourists from around the world.

Designed by Yayoi Kusama
Naoshima, an Island of art, was selected as one of the "seven places in the world you should see next." by Conde Nast Traveler

Art museum in the earth
Designed by Tadao Ando
Now, Kagawa Prefecture has turned itself and the Setouchi islands into a major international arts festival. 2013 will be the second of what is to be a triennial event. Kagawa will be delighted to show how this has transformed its status in the world of tourism.

The Isamu Noguchi Garden Museum Japan
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Art in Kagawa

Designed by Yoshio Taniguchi who designed MOMA in NY

Higashiyama Kaii Setouchi Art Meuseum
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Konpira Shrine
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10/26 at Minami-Sanriku Town
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10/26 with Mayor of Ishinomaki City
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10/27 at Sendai Port
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10/27 Opinion Exchange with Miyagi Government Officials
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10/27 at Aoba-jo Castle
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10/28 at Iwanumaya Japanese Inn
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10/28 Japanese Tea Ceremony
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10/29 Drawing Omikuji (fortune lot) at Asakusa, Tokyo
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10/30 at Diet Building
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10/30 Reception at Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications
The trip was incredibly well organized and provided exceptional views into Japan’s culture, heritage and most importantly, its struggles to recover and rebuild from the 3/11/11 earthquake and tsunami. I met generous, hard-working, talented local officials, just like the kind I know in county governments in the States. It was an honor to have participated.
Ms. Susan Parnas Frederick

Federal Affairs Counsel
National Conference of State Legislatures

I learned so much about the culture and resilience of the Japanese people in the wake of a natural disaster of epic proportions. I was impressed by the efficiency of local government to quickly assess and respond to the concerns of their citizens and hope that the information I was able to share about disaster response and emergency preparedness in the United States will be helpful to the official I met in Miyagi Prefecture.
Ms. Beverly Bell

The Deputy Delegation Leader
Senior Policy Analyst
The National Emergency Management Association

My participation in the CLAIR seminar was an incredible experience, especially given my work with the National Emergency Management Association and disaster management in the U.S. Since my focus is at the state level, the activities at the Miyagi prefecture were of particular interest. Thanks so much.
The stories and images of the March 11, 2011, Great East Japan Earthquake will remain with me always. As a former public servant with the state of Ohio, I was most impressed and moved by the compassion, commitment and strength of Japan’s public servants.
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