

The 18th Japanese Film Festival Took Place in Armenia

The 18th Japanese Film Festival took place from October 9 to 19 (9 days in total) in Yerevan, Ejmiatsin, Vayk, Yeghegnadzor, and Gyumri, co-organized by the “Hikari” Armenian-Japanese Scientific, Educational and Cultural Centre.

The festival featured three masterpieces, each representing different aspects of Japanese society and artistic expression, attracting the largest attendance since its beginning.

During the opening ceremony at Moscow Cinema in Yerevan, H.E. Mr. AOKI Yutaka, Ambassador of Japan to Armenia and Ms. Karine Piliposyan, President of the "HIKARI" Center delivered welcome speeches.

During the festival, Ambassador AOKI had a meeting session with the students from the Yerevan State Theatre and Film Institute, during which the Ambassador shared insights about the role of cinema in fostering international understanding and bilateral cooperation.

The festival aimed to enhance cultural exchange between Japan and Armenia while raising awareness and appreciation for Japanese cinema. It offered the Armenian audience a chance to explore the unique storytelling styles and cinematic techniques of Japanese filmmakers.



Welcome speech by Ambassador Aoki



Speech by the President of the “Hikari” Centre
Ms. Piliposyan



Film Festival in Yerevan



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Film Festival in Ejmiatsin



Film Festival in Vayk



Meeting session with the students from the Yerevan State
Theatre and Film Institute



Film Festival in Gyumri