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Connecting People, Places, and Cultures through Theatre

Invitation to the 5th Conference, International Association of Performing Language

Date: December 21-23, 2013

Place: Shikoku Gakuin University, Zentsuji, Kagawa, JAPAN

In this increasingly globalized world, our only hope lies in our ability to talk with our neighbours. IAPL brings together language instructors and theatre practitioners, people who hitherto had not often had much to do with one another, to explore what is, after all, a common project of ours: the investigation of ways in which we as human beings interact and communicate with one another. Especially for those of us who teach and learn language, theatre offers us wonderful techniques to hone our skills, to make the task of learning and instructing more enjoyable and more efficacious, and to be more aware of how we impart ideas and feelings to one another. The most exciting part of this process has been the integration of practice and theory, with a judicious mix of academic papers and more hands-on workshops that are the bread and butter of theatre exercise and instruction.

We are pleased to announce that IAPL will organize the fifth conference at Shikoku Gakuin University, Kagawa, Japan in this December. The conference will be filled with exciting activities, including a theatrical performance by students of Shikoku Gakuin University, lectures, presentations, and workshops led by Oriza Hirata.

"Come join the cast!"

For the conference update, please visit [http://web.uvic.ca/~hnserc/IAPL/index.htm](http://web.uvic.ca/~hnserc/IAPL/index.htm)

Contact for conference information: Shingo Hashimoto (hsmt@gifu-u.ac.jp)
Registration Fee

**IAPL Members:** Regular Member 5,000 Yen, Student Member 3,000 Yen

**Non-Member:** 5,000 Yen

**Banquet (Dec. 21) fee:** 4,000 Yen

Please contact Rika Takeda (my_lica@yahoo.co.jp) for payment information by Nov. 30.