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Unity and harmony. Friendship and peace. All that and more is reflected in the Kanji character 和 (WA), in Japanese culture, and in the 23rd World Scout Jamboree.

Make plans now to be a part of this once-in-a-lifetime event, where Scouts and Venturers from around the world will meet at the intersection of tradition and innovation to explore energy, technology, and harmony.

WHO MAY ATTEND?

Participants

Eligible participants must be registered with the Boy Scouts of America as a Boy Scout or Venturer and have been born between July 27, 1997, and July 28, 2001. These age ranges are set by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) and are not negotiable.

International Service Team (IST)

To join the IST at the jamboree, you need to have turned 18 at the start of the camp, July 28, 2015.

Leaders

All Boy Scouts of America leadership must meet the requirements listed on the adult leader Web page at www.scouting.org/worldjamboree. In addition, councils must first give their approval to applicants. Selection will then be made under the direction of each regional director.

Registration and Payment

Registration and payment of fees will be done online. The Web address for general information is **www.scouting.org/worldjamboree.** The cost of participation in the 23rd World Scout Jamboree is as follows:

- Adult Leader and Youth Participant—$5,750
- International Service Team—$2,000

The registration system will be live soon. Watch the general information website for more details.

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23RD WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE

Kirara-hama, Yamaguchi, Japan
July 28, 2015, to August 8, 2015

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THE PROGRAM

Scouts will experience the 23rd World Scout Jamboree through module activities, subcamp life, arena events, and interaction and exchange with Scouts from all around the globe. Here are some highlights.

Module Activities

Module activities will include exploration of global, cultural, and peace- and community-related issues, participation in recreational water sports, hands-on experiences with science and technology, and nature excursions. In their free time, participants will also be able to choose from a wide variety of programs in their subcamps, at the World Scout Center, and in the Faith and Beliefs zone.

Other Activities

During free time, participants will be able to choose from a wide variety of programs in their subcamps and at the World Scout Centre. The Faith and Beliefs zone will always be available for participants to practice their own faith and learn about other religions. Participants can also sign up to be Young Correspondents and help tell the jamboree story to the world.

Peace Memorial Ceremony

On August 6, 2015, a delegation of jamboree participants will attend the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Ceremony. This moving ceremony will give them—and through them all jamboree participants—the chance to think about peace and how they can promote peace around the world.

Pre-Jamboree Training Weekend

Leaders and youth should participate in a pre-jamboree training experience to ensure a safe and fun trip for everyone. During this weekend, they will get to know one another and come together as a unit. The jamboree fee does include the training weekend itself, but not the travel to and from the training sites.

Jamboree Travel and Tour

The Boy Scouts of America contingent will meet at a series of "gateway cities" in the United States before departing for the jamboree. The jamboree fee includes round-trip airfare from attendees' home-city airport, the jamboree fee, administrative expenses, and costs associated with the specially arranged tour immediately before or after the jamboree. The cost does not include ticketing due to early or late departure from the world jamboree site or while on tour due to medical emergencies, and/or itinerary changes resulting from violations of the BSA's code of conduct.

Attendees receive the official BSA 23rd WSJ patch.

ABOUT THE JAMBOREE SITE

Japan is an island country in the Pacific Ocean, where natural beauty and modern cities coexist. Here you'll find a rich mix of traditional and modern culture and a history that dates back thousands of years. Yamaguchi Prefecture is located on Honshu Island in the western part of Japan facing the calm Seto Inland Sea. It exemplifies many aspects of contemporary Japan, including modern cities, beautiful natural areas, traditional performing arts, historic buildings, and modern industries.

The jamboree site, Kirara-hama, is reclaimed land in Yamaguchi City, which is located in the western part of Honshu. Equipped with developed facilities and parks, it was the site of Japan Expo Yamaguchi in 2001.

Climate

You can expect sunny weather with occasional showers and clouds and perhaps strong winds. August temperatures in Yamaguchi City average 27.9 degrees Celsius (82 degrees Fahrenheit), and rainfall averages 157.7 millimeters (6.2 inches).