



MIA news

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~HELLO! My name is ASEL ANAPIIAEVA~

I was born in 1989 in Kyrgyzstan. It is a country that might not have much familiarity in Japan. For the last 7 years, I've been working as an English teacher. In Kyrgyzstan, China, and in Fukuoka, Japan I worked as an Assistant Language Teacher (ALT) and from this month will start as an ALT in Miyakonojo.

My hobbies are eating delicious foods and my favorite in the world is Japanese cuisine. Lately, I've even come to like Natto. In my homeland, you can't eat meat outside of chicken but I've come to like meat so much that at least once a week in Miyakonojo I'll buy herb beef and steak filets to take home and eat. I am still studying Japanese but I want to get better and better to talk to lots of people in Miyakonojo.

My Family:

I moved to Miyakonojo together with my husband and son. I met my husband while he was staying in Kyrgyzstan for work. We then married and came together to Japan but our son was born in my home country, Kyrgyzstan. After our son was born my husband and I talked about wishing for a good environment to raise our son. Therefore, for us, Miyakonojo is an ideal town. The water is beautiful, the nature is plentiful, it's convenient, and the food is fresh and delicious. For our family, being able to live in Miyakonojo brings great joy.



Kyrgyzstan

Kyrgyzstan is a central Asian country with a population of 6.975 million people and accumulative area around half of Japan's. 40% of its land are mountains reaching 3000 meters above sea level.

Originally a country of nomads, people able to ride horses and, once you go to the countryside, people that are riding horses in the street are quite common. The Kyrgyz people love meat; especially, horse meat, which is the highest grade of meat. There are also many opportunities to drink horse milk! We rarely eat fish. The common languages are Kyrgyz and Russian.

Kyrgyzstan's Location

I don't believe most Japanese people know where Kyrgyzstan is but it's indicated by an arrow on the map below!



It is to China's left, and in the middle of India and Russia. To make it easy to picture I highlighted Japan.

Kyrgyzstan and Japan's Connection

Japanese people are clueless about Kyrgyzstan. However, Kyrgyz people love Japanese people. Actually, there is a famous legend in Kyrgyzstan. "A meat-lover went westward and became Kyrgyz and a fish-lover went to eastward and became Japanese". A lot of Kyrgyz know this story. Even when my husband was staying in Kyrgyzstan he heard this story from countless people.

Additionally, Kyrgyz love Japanese products such as Japanese cars. Toyota are the most popular alongside Honda, Nissan, and Subaru. Over half of the cars on Kyrgyzstan's roads are Japanese.

Lastly,

Not much time has passed since arriving in Miyakonojo but from hereafter I want to visit various places and enjoy a fun life here! There are still plenty of things I don't understand but as a member of Miyakonojo, I'll devote myself to improving.

Movies In Theaters

C-Plaza Cine-port (Tel: 0986-24-2571)

17-9 Nakamachi, Miyakonojo, Miyazaki Map-Code (GPS): 117 488 540*55



- Mad Max Fury Road
- Planet of the Apes: Kingdom
- 帰ってきたあぶない刑事 Dangerous Detectives: The Return
- Detective Conan Movie 27: 100-man Dollar no Michishirube
- Haikyuu: Battle at the Garbage Dump

Soon to Release:

- キングダム大將軍の帰還 Kingdom: Return of the Taishogun (7/12)
- Despicable Me 4 (7/19)
- Run for Money: The Movie (Tokyo Mission)