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The Shibuya Ikueikai Foundation

## Special Sponsorship of the 15th Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest in Beijing, China

On March 20, 2021, we served as the special sponsor to the 15th Beijing Japanese Language Composition Speech Contest held at the Head Office of Fukuyama Transporting Co., Ltd., held by the Hiroshima University Beijing Research Center as an organizer. This was the first time the contest was held remotely, connecting Japan and Beijing, China, amid the spread of COVID-19.

At the contest, 5 outstanding candidates who passed the screening process delivered their speeches under the theme of an ancient Chinese poem meaning “Foreign lands separated by mountains and rivers, we share the wind and moon under the same sky.”

The grand prize was awarded to Ms. Li Yue from Shanghai International Studies University, who gave a speech about how her father, who was opposed to learning Japanese, gradually came to understand Japan.

Ms. Yoshiko Kijima, Minister of the Embassy of Japan in China as a guest of honor, and Mr. Toshiyuki Sato, Executive Vice President of Hiroshima University as an organizer attended the contest



(Commemorative photo of the speech contest)



(Speech contest venue)