

2022 Autumn Conferment of Decorations

Mrs Dallas Nesbitt

Consulate-General of Japan in Auckland

November 3, 2022

On November 3, 2022 (Japan Time), the Government of Japan announced the list of foreign recipients of the 2022 Autumn Conferment of Decorations. Mrs Dallas Nesbitt of Hauraki is among this year's foreign recipients and she will receive the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette in recognition of her contributions to promoting academic exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and New Zealand.

(LINK) Conferment of Decorations on Foreign Nationals (Ministry of Foreign Affairs Webpage)

<https://www.mofa.go.jp/mofaj/gaiko/protocol/jokun.html> (Japanese)

<https://www.mofa.go.jp/announce/info/conferment/index.html> (English)

- NAME: Dallas Nesbitt (MRS)
- AGE: 67 years old
- MAJOR TITLE:
Former Senior Lecturer at Auckland University of Technology
Former Vice President of Japanese Studies Aotearoa New Zealand



SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS

Mrs Dallas Nesbitt has been dedicated to Japanese language education in New Zealand for around 40 years. Mrs Nesbitt was involved in establishing the Japanese course at Auckland University of Technology (AUT) in 1984 and since then has played a central role in developing Japanese language education at AUT and has contributed to people to people exchange through educating students to become a bridge between Japan and New Zealand. She has also contributed to the development of Japanese language education through research activities into Japanese language education methodology, focusing on the study of Kanji and learner motivation, in addition to promoting the Japanese language across various networks, and writing a Japanese textbook

In addition, Mrs Nesbitt is active in furthering Japanese language education and Japan research in New Zealand. She was involved in the establishment of New Zealand's first national network organization of tertiary level Japanese language educators and researchers, Japanese Studies Aotearoa New Zealand (JSANZ) and is currently engaged in promotional activities for Japanese culture and the achievements of this organization.