



**The Japan-America Society Presents:  
The Second Annual Japanese Film Festival in Washington, D.C.**

**AT THE E STREET CINEMA  
555 11<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.  
MARCH 22-26, 2015**

The Japan-America Society of Washington, D.C. (JASW) is pleased to announce that it will present its second annual Japanese Film Festival in Washington, D.C., from Sunday, March 22 through Thursday, March 26, at the E Street Cinema.

The festival, called CineMatsuri™, will screen five recent Japanese films, each in a different genre, that showcase the diversity and richness of Japanese filmmaking today. All films will be shown in Japanese with English subtitles.

CineMatsuri will be held at the E Street Cinema, which the *Washington Post* has called the best film house in the Nation's Capital.

CineMatsuri will open on Sunday, March 22 with "Uzumasa Limelight," a moving, nostalgic portrait of the men behind the golden age of *chambara* films, the distinctive Samurai sword-fighting film genre for which Japan is famous. The New York Times says that Ken Ochiai, the 31-year old director who was educated at USC and NYU, conjures a sweet, simple swan song to a waning art form and those who practice it.

Film screenings continue each evening at 7 pm, concluding on Thursday, March 26 with *The Little House (Chiisai Ouchi)*, directed by the famed Yoji Yamada, which has been nominated for nine Japanese Academy Awards, including Best Picture.

Further information about CineMatsuri and each film to be screened can be found on the festival's website, at [www.cinematsuri.org](http://www.cinematsuri.org). Tickets are \$13 per film, and should be purchased on-line at the website.

## 2015 FILM LINE-UP

Sunday, March 22 @ 4:00 pm

**Uzumasa Raimuraito** (103 min) (2014)

太秦ライムライト

*Uzumasa Limelight*

Cast: Seizo Fukumoto, Chihiro Yamamoto, Masashi Goda, Hiroki Matsukata

Director: Ken Ochiai

Monday, March 23 @ 7:00 pm

**Bokutachi No Kazoku** (117 min) (2014)

ぼくたちの家族

*Our Family*

Cast: Satoshi Tsumabuki, Mieko Harada, Sosuke Ikematsu, Kyozo Nagatsuka

Director: Yuya Ishii

Tuesday, March 24 @ 7:00 pm

**Kazoku No Kuni** (100 min) (2012)

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*Our Homeland*

Cast: Sakura Ando, Arata Iura, Yang Ik-Joon, Kotomi Kyono

Director: Yang Yonghi

Wednesday, March 25 @ 7:00 pm

**Shirayukihime Satsujin Jiken** (126 min) (2014)

白ゆき姫殺人事件

*The Snow White Murder Case*

Cast: Mao Inoue, Go Ayano, Nanao, Erena Ono

Director: Yoshihiro Nakamura

Thursday, March 26 @ 7:00 pm

**Chiisai Ouchi** (136 min) (2014)

小さいおうち

*The Little House*

Cast: Takako Matsu, Haru Kuroki, Hidetaka Yoshioka, Satoshi Tsumabuki

Director: Yoji Yamada