



[Graffiti by Frankfurt artist for Yokohama College of Art & Design]

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Frankfurt graffiti artist completes work at Yokohama College of Art and Design

Through a Partnership City agreement with Frankfurt, Germany, the City of Yokohama and Yokohama College of Art and Design invited Mr. Justus Becker, a Frankfurt-based graffiti artist, to hold a workshop for the College's students and create a piece on a school wall during a live performance on November 5.



The morning's workshop guided students with spray cans in creating their own works of art, based on their dreams and other ideas.



Afterwards, he completed the piece he had started on the school wall the day before during a live performance. Mr. Becker's delicate, expressive style kept some 60 onlookers fascinated.

Local staff member from overseas office in Frankfurt, Germany visits Yokohama

A staff member from Germany working at the City of Yokohama Frankfurt Representative Office, Ms. Saskia Kordatzki, made a visit to Yokohama from October 30 through November 6.



She energetically interviewed locally operating German businesses, experienced an authentic tea ceremony in Sankeien Garden, and toured various locations in the city. In addition, she assisted with a visiting Frankfurt-based graffiti artist's demonstration at Yokohama College of Art and Design on November 5.



These experiences, unique to Yokohama, will surely inform her work promoting the city in Europe.

Discussions held ahead of upcoming 45th anniversary of Yokohama-Shanghai Friendship City Relations in 2018

From November 7 to 9, International Affairs Bureau Director General Sekiyama traveled to Shanghai in the People's Republic of China.

In anticipation of Yokohama and Shanghai reaching 45 years of Friendship City relations next year in 2018, he took part in discussions with the Foreign Affairs Office of the Shanghai Municipal People's Government, the Shanghai People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries, and other organizations about expanding anniversary projects and future exchange opportunities.



Mr. Sekiyama also attended an exchange event recognizing the 30th anniversary of the opening of the Yokohama IDEC Shanghai Office, where he offered his sincere gratitude for the support the office has continued to receive.