YAPC Tickets are getting close to sold out

Link:
http://tokyo.yapcasia.org/blog/2006/02/yapc_tickets_are_getting_close.html

by miyagawa on announcement
YAPC::Asia 2006 tickets have been selling very well and it's almost getting close to SOLD OUT.

If you're interested, register now using our web form. NOTE that this form is only valid for international attendees.

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Yahoo! JAPAN sponsors YAPC

Link:
http://tokyo.yapcasia.org/blog/2006/02/yahoo_japan_sponsors_yapc.html

by miyagawa
Yahoo! JAPAN is now a sponsor of YAPC::Asia 2006.

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Announcement: Speakers and Sponsors

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by miyagawa on announcement
Now we're ready to announce the chosen speakers and our sponsors to the world.

YAPC::Asia 2006 Tokyo
Date: 2006/03/29-30 (Wed-Thu) 9:30-18:30

Venue:
Ota City PiO

Fee: 4000 JPY (2 Days including T-shirt)

Organizer: YAPC::Asia 2006 Committee / Shibuya Perl Mongers

Registration:
Register Now
(International attendees only)

Sponsors
* mixi, Inc.
* Six Apart
* Cybozu Labs
* Brazil
* O'Reilly Japan

Speakers
* Larry Wall
Speakers and other schedules are not yet finalized. They might be changed without notice before the conference. We’ll publish the finalized program and time table along with sessions title and abstracts in the end of February, 2006.

Conference official languages are Japanese and English. International speakers will do their talks mostly in English.

We’re happy to announce that the registration for YAPC::Asia 2006 (March 29-30th, Tokyo) has now opened! Use our web registration form (shibuya.pm.org site) to register yourself and pay the conference fee using PayPal to get the 500 JPY off. If you consider visiting Tokyo for this YAPC but are wondering the accommodation, go check out the accommodation plan to reserve a hotel in the neighborhood.

(Note: This registration form is only for international attendees and non-Japanese speaking people. Japanese attendees should check out our Japanese blog how to get the ticket, etc.)
In addition, I'd like to remind that the deadline for the YAPC talks is just 2 days away: January 31st. Use the web form to submit your talks, either 20 mins, 45 mins or Lightning Talks.

We're looking forward to seeing you in Tokyo!

YAPC::Asia 2006 in Tokyo, March 29th - 30th

Registration will open some time in January but start looking for your flights and booking hotels during the conference now :) If you need help or advice finding a hotel, feel free to contact us support@yapcasia.org (replace # with @).

The deadline for submissions is January 31st, 2006.

We're looking forward to seeing you in Tokyo!

YAPC::Asia 2006 Accommodation Plan

For attendees from overseas and aliens in non-Tokyo Japan, we'd like to put some information regarding accommodation plan in Tokyo here.

Unfortunately, the conference venue Ota City PIO doesn't come with any accommodation, and it's a little far from the central Tokyo. But the venue is pretty close to the "Keikyu-Kamata" station and using the Keikyu Line Express it's just one-stop for bigger towns like Shinagawa and Kawasaki.

Hotels in Kamata area
Toyoko Inn (#1), (#2) is pretty cheap hotel (55 USD Single and 67 USD Double) in Kamata area. Since it's in Kamata it's very close to the conference venue (it may be less than 15 minutes walk from the conference venue).

We'd recommend you to take either of Toyoko Inn Kamata #1 or #2 if you don't like to get lost in train transfer for the conference. Note that Toyoko Inn is a so-called "Business Hotel" which means the room is a bit small, and there's nothing interesting to see in Kamata area. You'd like to take trains to go around other Tokyo places to see funny things.

Hotels in Shinagawa area
Toyoko Inn has its hotel in Shinagawa area too. It's still a decent price, ranging from 60 USD Single and 76 USD Double.

Shinagawa Prince Hotel is more expensive, but fancier hotel, ranging from Single: 11,600 Yen (100 USD) and Twin: 17,800 Yen (150 USD) per night.

New Otani Inn is also a fancy hotel in Osaki (one-stop from Shinagawa), ranging from Single: 11,000 Yen (95 USD) and Twin: 21,000 Yen (182 USD) per night.

Shinagawa is one stop from the conference venue and has easier access to the central Tokyo. If you want to get around other Tokyo places (like Akihabara, Asakusa and Shibuya), Shinagawa is the most handy place both for your pleasure and conference.
Other Hotels and Studios
There're more cheap hotels in other Tokyo areas, but most of them require you a complicated transfer process to get to the venue.

* doesn't have English website where you can make reservations so we don't include them here.

But if you really want to find cheaper places, or plan to stay longer than a week and have a weekly studio type of thing, feel free to email us and we can help you. And, you can also email us if you want to find someone to share a twin room if you plan to come to Tokyo alone.

For Japanese residents or aliens
If you live in Japan (non-Tokyo area) and want to find hotels to stay during the conference, you can use Rakuten Travel and other Hotel reservation sites to find Hotels in Shinagawa or Kawasaki area.

YAPC Talks submission deadline is 2 weeks away!

Link: 
http://tokyo.yapcasia.org/blog/2006/01/yapc_talks_submission_deadline.html

by miyagawa on announcement
Now we'd like to remind you that the submission deadline for YAPC::Asia talks is 2 weeks away, Jan 31st.

Note that if you submit Non-Lightning Talk (20 or 45 minutes) and if it's accepted, your registration fee is now free. We'll start attendees registration on early February and we'll inform you the result of acceptance in email beforehand.

Use our Web form to submit your talks now.

IRC channel to hang out

Link: 
http://tokyo.yapcasia.org/blog/2006/01/irc_channel_to_hanging_out.html

by miyagawa on announcement
Now we have an official IRC channel for you to chat about everything related (or non-related) to YAPC::Asia, at #yapc.asia on freenode (chat.freenode.net). Feel free to join the channel ask questions if you have.

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