

Commemorative Award Ceremony and Special Lecture by Dr. Terumi Tanaka,
Co-Chairperson of the Japan Confederation of
A- and H-Bomb Sufferers Organizations (Nihon Hidankyo),
In Honor of Their Nobel Peace Prize Award



A Message to the Next Generation: Paving the Way for a Peaceful Future

Nihon Hidankyo, also known as the Japan Confederation of A- and H-Bomb Sufferers Organizations, was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in December 2024. Dr. Terumi Tanaka, who spoke at the award ceremony in Oslo, will deliver a special lecture as a representative of Nihon Hidankyo to mark this occasion. Dr. Tanaka will share his personal experience as a survivor of the Nagasaki atomic bombing and speak about the organization's efforts toward the abolition of nuclear weapons. We warmly invite you to join us for this special event.

Program Schedule:

- Opening Remarks
- Conferring of the Tohoku University International Award
- Welcome Address by the President of Tohoku University, Prof. Teiji Tominaga
- Welcome Address by the Mayor of Sendai, Ms. Kazuko Kori
- Special Lecture by Dr. Terumi Tanaka
- Open Discussion
- Closing Remarks

Date and Time:

14:00-15:20 (Doors open at 13:15)
on **March 21, 2025**

Venue:

**Tohoku University Centennial Memorial Hall
(Kawauchi Hagi Hall)**

Please note that parking at the venue is limited. We encourage the use of public transportation.

Simultaneous interpretation from Japanese to English will be available upon request at the time of reservation.



Dr. Terumi Tanaka

Born in 1932 in Northeast China during the Japanese occupation, Dr. Terumi Tanaka enrolled at Nagasaki Prefectural Middle School in 1945. On September 13 of that year, he survived the atomic bombing of Nagasaki. He was 13 years old. He worked for five years after graduating from Nagasaki Higashi High School in 1951 before enrolling at the Tokyo University of Science in 1956. In August that same year, Dr. Tanaka participated in the Second World Conference Against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs in Nagasaki. Nihon Hidankyo, also known as the Japan Confederation of A- and H-Bomb Sufferers Organizations, was founded at the same time. Dr. Tanaka's academic career began in 1960 as a Research Associate at Tohoku University's School of Engineering. He later became an Assistant Professor and retired in 1996, whereupon he became a Professor at Jumonji Junior College, holding this position until 2003. Alongside his academic work, Dr. Tanaka became the Secretary-General of the Miyagi Prefecture Hibakusha Association in 1973 and attended the United Nations' Special Sessions of the General Assembly devoted to Disarmament in New York in 1978 and 1982. For three years starting in 1985, he served as Secretary-General of Nihon Hidankyo, a position which he again held from 2000 to 2017. Dr. Tanaka has been one of Nihon Hidankyo's Co-Chairpersons since 2017. Dr. Tanaka attended the Nobel Peace Prize Award Ceremony in 2017 when the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) received the award. In 2024, Nihon Hidankyo received the Nobel Peace Prize, and Dr. Tanaka represented the organization at the ceremony in Oslo. He delivered a powerful lecture about his experience as an atomic bomb survivor, the responsibility of the state with respect to war damages, and the urgent need for nuclear abolition.

Open to the Public

Capacity

500 attendees
(advance reservation required)

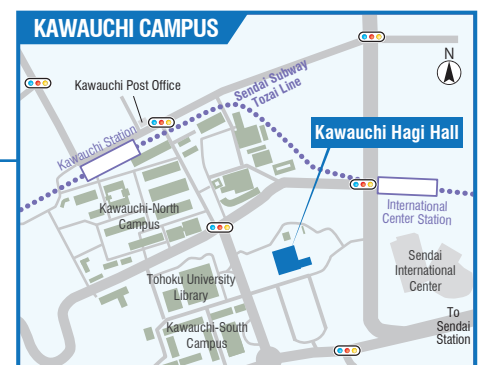
Reservations

Reservations will be accepted via online
from 9:00 AM on March 6.

*Please provide your name, contact information (phone number and email), age group (e.g., 40-50), and the total number of seats to be reserved.

Online

<https://forms.office.com/r/JZmLFrnBHA>



Approx. a 5-minute walk from the Sendai International Center Station
Approx. a 7-minute walk from Kawauchi Station

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