



"Life, Work and Society in Japan between 1956 and the mid-1970s"

- Presentation by Hans Brinckmann, follow-up to his February 28 presentation

Date: Tuesday, June 5th, 2018

Time: 18:15 - 20:30

Timeline:

18:15: Doors open 18:30-18:35: Introduction

18:35-19:45: Presentation by Hans Brinckmann with Power Point + Q&A

19:45-20:30: Networking drinks

20:30 : Closing

Address: Dejima Lounge at the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Japan

3-6-3 Shiba-koen, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105-0011, Japan (MAP ★)

Language: English (without interpretation)

Entrance fee: Free

Summary:

Hans Brinckmann, Dutch national and long-time resident of Japan, will talk about his experiences living in Japan from 1950-1974, illustrated with his photographs from that period. This is a follow-up to his presentation on 28th February, when he focused on the period 1950-1956. This time he will talk about the years 1956 to the mid-1970s.

Outline:

Hans Brinckmann came to Japan as a junior staff employee of the Nationale Handelsbank (NHB) in 1950, two years before full diplomatic relations between Japan and the Netherlands resumed after the war. Over the next 24 years, he worked in the NHB branches in Kobe, Osaka and Tokyo. After Japan, he worked in several other countries, ending with an 8-year stay in New York, where in 1986 Queen Beatrix made him an Officer in the Order of Oranje-Nassau. He quit banking in 1988, to turn

to writing. Since then, he published six books, two of which were also published in Japanese, in Hiromi Mizoguchi's translation. Three of his books received literary prizes. In 2003 he returned to live in Tokyo again, and in 2013 he moved to Fukuoka.

In this presentation, he will talk about his experiences as a Dutch national living in Japan from 1956 to the mid-1970's, his unusual *miai* marriage, the role his bank played in Japan's postwar recovery, and the return of Japan to the ranks of A-class nations.

For more information on Hans Brinckmann, please visit his websites.

English/Japanese website: www.habri.jp

English website: www.habri.co.uk

Amazon page: www.amazon.com/author/hans-brinckmann

Registration: LINK (☜ Click the link to register)

* The registration link is password protected. Password = <u>Brinckmann</u>

Registration deadline: June 1st, 2018. Due to limited seating, it is possible that the registration will be closed before the deadline. Thank you for your understanding.

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