

# Christmas Concert & Friendship Party

The Fukuoka Japan-British Society's Christmas party will be held on  
**Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2009**  
at 18:00 for 18:30 at Grand Hyatt Fukuoka 3F Grand Ballroom

## Time Schedule

18:30 -19:15 Christmas Piano Concert

by Hiwa Akagi

19:30 - 21:00 Friendship Party

Christmas presents lottery & Chorus

It is hoped that many British people and their guests will be able to join this Christmas concert and party. For reservation, please register your full name and tel. number with FJBS Secretariat by tel.(092-476-2155) fax(092-476-2634 See the flip side) email ([fjbs.tomoike@dolphin.ocn.ne.jp](mailto:fjbs.tomoike@dolphin.ocn.ne.jp)) no later than 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. We'll give away a free gift to the all participants!

### **Charge of this reception**

British FJBS Members: Free / British Non-Members: ¥2,000.-

Guest:¥4,000.- Under 15 years old : Free

**Hiwa Akagi:** She won more than a dozen medals at various music festivals in Britain. Since her solo recital debut at the age of 10 in the U.K., she has been in demand both as soloist and Concerto Soloist, performing in Spain, the Netherlands France and Germany as well as her native Japan. In 1999 she made her concerto debut in Mozart's K466 with the Cornerstone Chamber Orchestra. In 2001 she played the Schumann piano concerto and in 2002 she was a guest soloist in Chopin E minor concerto at a concert celebrating the Golden jubilee of her majesty the Queen and the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Milton Keynes City Church. (Live recording CD has been released at the Church.) Her recent concert at the major concert hall in Tokyo, such as Casals Hall, has been praised by music critics on Ongaku-no-Tomo, Musicanova and Ongaku-Gendai. In the year 2008 she has been invited to give recital in Estonia, Parnu. Begun learning piano at the age of 5. She moved to U.K. in 1990. After returned back to Tokyo she continued her studies at the Toho Gakuen School of Music, and graduated with the highest honors, and received a full recommendation to pursue further studies at the Toho Gakuen College of Music. After graduating from Toho College of music, she went on to study at the Royal Academy of music as a recipient of Thomas Jennings Scholarship, and graduated with her PG Diploma and LRAM. Her professors include late Irina Zaritskaya, Arbo Valdma, Sumiko Mikimoto, Keiko Takeuchi and Sara Medina. She has also received guidance from many eminent artists such as Nina Lelchuk, Christopher Elton and Hamish Milne.

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