



## Message from the Lord Mayor of Sydney

I would like to congratulate the Japanese Film Festival on 15 years of bringing Japan's best contemporary cinema to Australia.

This festival was first held in Sydney and we are proud to have watched it grow from only three films in 1997 to thirty films in six cities in 2011. It is an integral part of Sydney's rich and diverse cultural program.

This year's Festival is particularly poignant after the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan earlier this year. The quality of the work is testament to the inspiring resilience and character of the Japanese community.

I wish you every success!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clover Moore". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Clover Moore MP  
Lord Mayor of Sydney

