



HERSTORY

The Women's Active Museum on War and Peace (WAM) was established in August 2005 with donations from people in Japan and abroad. WAM is Japan's only museum focusing on violence against women in war and conflict situations, particularly Japan's military sexual slavery, euphemistically called the "comfort women" issue.

In December 2000, the Women's International War Crimes Tribunal on Japan's Military Sexual Slavery was held in Tokyo by the global civil society to end the cycle of impunity of wartime sexual violence. We envisioned a museum that preserved tribunal documents and the testimonies of victims/survivors to pass onto the next generation.

WAM seeks to make the Japanese government accountable for Japan's military sexual slavery system and provides a space to remember women's stories of suffering as well as the struggle to restore dignity and justice. Let's create a world of peace together, where no woman suffers from violence or discrimination.

WAM received the 2007 Pax Christy International Peace Award and the 2013 Peace Award of the Peace Studies Association of Japan.

Women's Active Museum on War and Peace

Museum Hours

Wednesday - Sunday 1:00pm-6:00pm

Closed on Monday, Tuesday, public holidays and New Year holidays.

Admission

JPY 500 Adult (ages 18+)

JPY 300 Youth (ages 13-17)

FREE Children 12 and under

Access

Takadanobaba station (JY15 / SS02) : JR Yamanote Line / Seibu Shinjuku Line

* 5 minutes by taxi

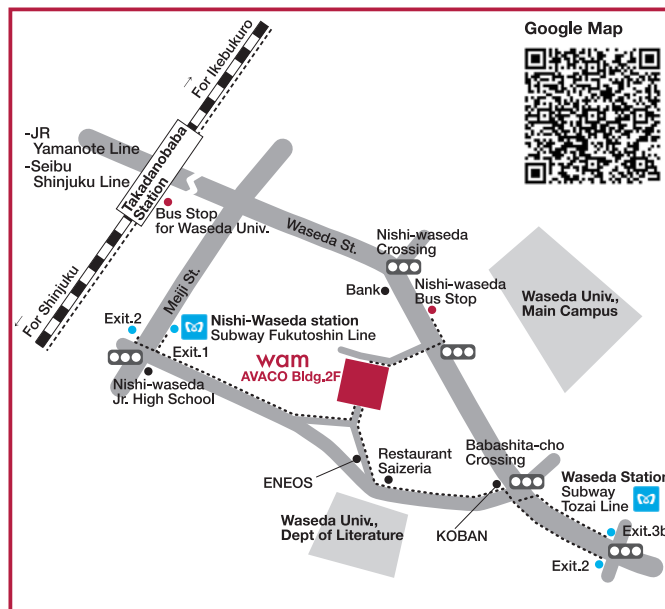
* 12 minutes by bus

(Take bus #[学02] bound for Waseda Univ., get off at Nishi-waseda stop)

* 20-minute walk

Waseda station (T04) : Subway Tozai Line, 5-minute walk

Nishi-Waseda station (F11) : Subway Fukutoshin Line, 10-minute walk



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わたしの戦争と平和資料館

women's active museum
on war and peace

WAM is a project of Women's Fund for Peace and Human Rights, a specified non-profit organization certified by the Metropolitan Government of Tokyo.

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Peace and Non-violence**

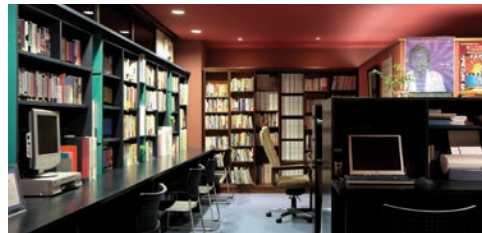


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Welcome to the Women's Active Museum on War and Peace (WAM)!



As you enter WAM, you will be welcomed by portraits of the victims/survivors of Japan's military sexual slavery. There are 179 women from 10 countries and region who gave us their permission to share their pictures, names and experiences with WAM visitors.



WAM provides you with books, newsletters and testimonial documentaries on Japan's military sexual slavery and violence against women in armed conflicts today.

"The only way to fight against globalization is by globalizing our solidarity."



Yayoi MATSUI (1934-2002) was a prominent journalist and feminist activist. She proposed the Women's International War Crimes Tribunal and envisioned WAM. You can find all of her books and articles in our museum.

What we do:

- Focusing on wartime sexual violence from the perspective of gender justice
- Listening to the survivors/victims as well as looking at state/individual responsibility for the crimes
- Preserving past documents while creating a space for future actions
- Operating the museum solely as a people's movement, independent from state power
- Making actions and sharing information in solidarity with the global civil society



Special Exhibitions:

1. All About the Women's International War Crimes Tribunal Aug.-Nov. 2005
2. Yayoi Matsui: Her Life and Work Dec. 2005-Apr. 2006
3. Abandoned Far from Home: Korean 'Comfort Women' Apr.-Nov. 2006
4. East Timorese Women Living Through Wars Dec. 2006-May 2007
5. The 'Comfort Women' Basics for Middle School Students Jun. 2007-May 2008
6. When Japanese Soldiers Came: Wartime Rape and 'Comfort Stations' in China Jun. 2008-Jun. 2009
7. Testimony and Silence: The Japanese Soldiers Who Face up to Their Crimes Jul. 2009-Jun. 2010
8. Women's Voices Change the World: 10 Years from the Women's Tribunal 2000 Jul. 2010-Jun. 2011
9. Lolos Standing up: From the Ravaged Islands of the Philippines Jul. 2011-Jun. 2012
10. Okinawa: The Military Does Not Protect Women Jun. 2012-Jun. 2013
11. Made into Japanese: Testimonies of Taiwanese 'Comfort Women' Jul. 2013-Jun. 2014
12. The 'Comfort Women' Basics for Middle School Students *Plus* Jul. 2014-Jun. 2015
13. Sexual Violence in Indonesia: Under the Glorious Guise of "Asian Liberation" Jul. 2015-Jun. 2016
14. Battlefield from Hell: Experience of Moon Ok-ju and 'Comfort Stations' in Burma Jul. 2016-Jul. 2017
15. The Silence of Japanese 'Comfort Women': State-Controlled Sexuality Aug. 2017-Feb. 2019
16. Listening to Korean 'Comfort Women': Effort to Take Responsibility for Japan's Colonialism Mar. 2019-Mar. 2020



WAM never stands still.

We are an ACTIVE museum:

Education: We hold symposiums, seminars and film screenings inviting experts and supporters in order to help deeper understanding of our exhibitions. We also hold "wam de cafe," casual seminars on a variety of issues.

Research/Archiving: We conduct research on Japan's military sexual slavery system, including collecting testimonies and documents to establish the "comfort women" archives for future generations. The "map of comfort stations" is also our major project.

Action: We take action towards restoring justice for "comfort women" survivors and to make Japanese society face up to their wrongdoings in the past. Together with the global civil society, we will make every effort to end military sexual violence.



Join and Support WAM!

WAM is managed by the membership fee and donations. We do not seek government funding to maintain our independence.

Friends of WAM JPY3000 (US\$30) / year

You will receive: newsletters; information on events and exhibitions; and exclusive access to the members-only mailing-list (in Japanese).

Supporters of WAM JPY10000 (US\$100) / year

You will receive all of the benefits above, plus: free admission to WAM; and discounts on seminars and publications.

Donation

Your donation will be highly appreciated to maintain our activities.

Bank Account

MUFG Bank, LTD. (SWIFT Code: BOTKJPJT)
Shibuya Branch 135-3345859
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We cannot accept personal cheques due the high cost of commission. If you prefer to use **PayPal**, please visit our website to find the link.

Thank you very much for your support!