

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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Annual Membership Fees

Corporate	\$100
Family	\$ 30
Individual	\$ 25

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____

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SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION OF HUNTINGTON BEACH



2013 Anjo Student Exchange



Mayor Pro-Tem Matthew
Harper & Ms. Jean Hay,
Mayor of Manly, Australia

HISTORY OF SISTER CITIES

As a result of President Eisenhower's formation of the People-to-People Program in 1956, sister city relationships are found among 136 countries on 6 continents today. Eisenhower felt that creating understanding between people was essential to building the road to enduring peace. His vision was that the execution and implementation of this program should come from the country's citizens, not their government.

The local association is a non-profit organization comprised of citizens living in or near Huntington Beach. The association operates annual programs of international goodwill between Huntington Beach and Anjo, Japan and Manly, Australia. Adult delegation visits, an art exchange, student exchange, and cultural programs are part of the ongoing relationship.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

For the past 32 years, four students and a chaperone have gone to Anjo, Japan as Ambassadors of Goodwill. Students must either live or attend school in Huntington Beach Union High School District and be entering their freshman, sophomore, or junior year in high school to be eligible.

Student Ambassadors are chosen after final interviews which take into consideration the student's long-term study goals, any special interests in Japanese culture or history, the student's ability to communicate well and favorably represent America and Huntington Beach in a foreign land.

In a reciprocal exchange, Ambassadors host their student counterpart for two weeks in Huntington Beach beginning in late June and travel to Japan the first two weeks in late July.

The students and chaperones spend two weeks staying with host families, visiting local schools, participating in special events, and visiting historical and cultural sights.

The highlight in Huntington Beach is participation in the July 4th parade. While in Japan the Huntington Beach students participate in Anjo's Tanabata Festival.

Enduring friendships have been formed as a result of student exchanges, with many repeat visits. In some cases, career choices have been influenced by students' initial experience in Japan.



Located 20 miles from Japan's third largest city, Nagoya, the city of Anjo has a population of almost 150,000. Anjo is a thriving agricultural center, and earned the name "Denmark of Japan" for its diverse field farming, agricultural technology, and cooperative distribution systems. Influence from automotive-related industries located in neighboring Toyota City has led to the growth of big industries and over 1,200 manufacturing companies located in Anjo.

Huntington Beach and Anjo became Sister Cities in 1982, and have enjoyed a strong relationship. In 1990, when a storm destroyed the Huntington Beach Pier, citizens of Anjo donated \$100,000 to help pay for the rebuilding. At that time, this donation was the 2nd largest contribution ever made from one Sister City to another.



2013 Anjo Ambassadors



MANLY, NSW AUSTRALIA



Manly Sister City Association

The Manly local government area is a unique location. Bounded by both an ocean beach and Sydney Harbour. It is located on Sydney's Northern Beaches – between 8 and 17 kilometers north-east of Sydney. Manly is named after Manly Cove, which was named by Captain Arthur Phillip who was impressed by the confident and manly behavior of the male Aborigines he saw when he first visited the area in January 1788.

At the time of the 2006 Census, Manly was the 57th largest local government area in New South Wales, with some 37,112 usual residents.

Huntington Beach is Surf City, USA and is home to the US Open of Surfing. Likewise, Manly is known as Surf City, Australia and is home to the Australian Open of Surfing. Both cities became Sister Cities in 2012 and are deeply rooted in the surfing culture.

The Surfing Walk of Fame will be the primary interface with Manly. Our goals are to foster the surfing culture in our two Surf Cities.



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