

Dream Competition 2013 Gold Prize: ICU Hero Club (JAC)

The AA supports students' dreams

Students vied for awards totaling a million yen with their passionate presentations.
The competition in its 9th year denotes AA support for students through its extensive network.

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Photo shown by the ICU Hero Club in the presentation

On September 14, 2013, the finalists for the 2013 Dream Competition delivered their presentations at Alumni House. This year, the ICU Hero Club won the Gold Prize with their project "From ICU Hero to Local Hero." They have been contributing to the local community by jointly organizing events with the Mitaka Police Department and local parent teacher associations. They won by unanimous vote for promoting awareness for the ICU philosophy "love, peace and the declaration of human rights" and carefully-thought-out characters such as the Mobile

Worship Seabury. The club plans to use the prize money to replace tattered costumes with new ones and promote recognition for ICU by contributing to the local community.

AA representatives were impressed with the winners of the silver and bronze prizes, involving enthusiastic projects spreading recognition for ICU or bringing back what they had learned abroad back to ICU. The AA will continue to support winners realize their dreams by means of its extensive network and experience.

Gold prize (JPY ¥200,000):
ICU Hero Club (JAC) "From ICU Hero to Local Hero"

Silver prize (JPY ¥200,000):
Wandervogel Club "50th Anniversary @Canada: Mountain Climbing Trip and Environmental Studies"

Silver prize (JPY ¥200,000) + JICUF prize (US\$ 2,000):
ICU Brothers and Sisters "Exchange with UC Irvine Peer Advising Group"

Silver prize (JPY ¥200,000):
ICU Wind Brass Ensemble "Mitaka Wind Brass Joint Concert"

Bronze prize (JPY ¥100,000):
ICU Debating Society "ICU Tournament, the sole international debating tournament in Japan"

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If people forgive you for saying "sorry," we don't need the police "Volunteer group to promote manners in ICU students driving bicycles"

Following last year, we provided live video streaming of the presentations over the Internet. Student presentations can be seen at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/ICU-alumni>

Connecting ICU and Alumni in Europe Charibaka (crazy cyclist) in Europe

Tetsuo Matsushita (ID14), who won the silver and JICUF prize for the 2012 Dream Competition enthralled the audience with a talk about his European tour. He used the prize money for a dream-come-true camping trip during the summer holidays, bicycling through Spain, Monaco, Switzerland, Italy, to Paris and his final destination, London. AA Vice President Jun Kigoshi helped Matsushita get in touch with alumni during

his sojourn, where they welcomed and treated him to meals. Senior alumni impressed him with fascinating stories about ICU's founding days and experience abroad: he felt it was very important to keep up the unflinching spirit. "Even I was able to realize my aspiration of touring Europe on my bike, so I want every one of you to realize your dream."



Students enjoyed a riveting report of Matsushita's bicycle tour in Europe. He showed many photos during his presentation.