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Conversion rate \$1.00 = 117 yen (as of 9/19/06)

Hotel's room rates do not include service charge & tax unless specified.

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We will offer an Internet-oriented learning program via Travel Agent Academy, a division of Performance Media Group, LLC. For new membership applicants, we will offer 3 training sessions followed by a test via the website. Those travel agents who pass the 3 tests will be entitled to JTS privileges.

Our current JTS members may simply register on-line to renew their membership, bypassing the test. Or, you may take the lessons to challenge yourself. Unfortunately, you must reregister, as we will eventually terminate the current membership.

We are looking forward to continue to work together with all of our current JTS. For your renewal registration, please keep an eye on www.travelagentacademy.com and/or our future e-mail notices. Any questions, please feel free to contact the JTS Desk by phone at 212-757-5641 Ext. 31 (Kazuko Maratea), Ext. 17 (Zenbon Tei) or E-mail: jts@japantravelinfo.com

Already we have begun to offer practical Japan sales information via ModernAgent.com, also a division of Performance Media Group, LLC.

Please visit: www.modernagent.com/x/modernagent/visitor/search/all.cds and access to the Destination Profiles where you will find the up-to-date Japan travel news.

I. Invitation to the Tokyo City Promotion 2006 by Tokyo Metropolitan Government -- October 24 in Chicago; October 26 in New York

These events are prepared for the US tourism industry. A seminar and trade show with a reception to present Tokyo tourism will be held at each venue. You will have a chance to meet with various suppliers and be updated on the current Tokyo tourism scene.

Chicago

Date: October 24, 2006 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Venue: Crown Plaza Chicago O'Hare
5440 North River Road, Rosemont, IL

New York

Date: October 26, 2006 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Venue: Gotham Hall
1356 Broadway, New York, NY

For further information and on-line reservations:

Chicago:

www.tourism.metro.tokyo.jp/english/citypromotion/chi_inv.html

New York:

www.tourism.metro.tokyo.jp/english/citypromotion/nyc2_inv.html

II. ANA, a Star Alliance member, will reopen its Chicago (ORD) to Narita International Airport (NRT) Route from October 29, 2006.

ANA will offer daily flights on the latest Boeing aircraft, with the ANA new style service. A Chicago-Tokyo Bonus Miles Campaign will be offered from October 29 through March 15, 2007.

NH 11: ORD 10:45 am - NRT 3:00 pm next day

NH 12: NRT 11:10 am - ORD 7:40 am

www.anaskyweb.com/us/e/index.html

III. Invitation to a free movie in NYC -- ANA presents the NIPPON EIGA (movie) SERIES in New York City in celebration of the 15th anniversary of ANA's New York-Tokyo Route.

An evening Japanese movie is being presented on odd months through March 2006. Admission for each movie is free; popcorn and soda are included. Special space is being offered to our JTS, and the 3rd movie night is coming soon (refer to the July JTS Bulletin News).

"The Twilight Samurai" (Tasogare Seibei)

Nominated at the 76th Academy Awards for Best Foreign Language Film, this movie is one of the acclaimed samurai movies. Unlike many samurai movies that concentrate on tough battles, The Twilight Samurai is presented in a very sensitive light. It is a very touching and artistic movie.

For the story:

www.anaskyweb.com/us/mail/e/060901/movie.html

Date & Time:

September 27, 2006, Wednesday

7:45 pm (Doors open at 7:15 pm)

Place:

The ImaginAsian

239 East 59th Street, New York, NY (bet. 2nd & 3rd Avenues)

Reservation is required by e-mail: ana@newyork-tokyo.com, mention JTS.

Hurry and apply! Space is limited on a first-come basis.

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This special offer is applicable for the following reservations made from October 1 until November 30, 2006. The travel must be completed by March 2007.

Applicable for new "PRINCE" promotion rates:

PRINCE Hot Deals: Room Only rates

PRINCE Super Saver: Room Only rates. Three day stay minimum required. Best available rates

PRINCE Platinum Special: Room Only rates for Deluxe rooms or Suites

Applicable Prince Hotels in "PJ" group:

Luxury

Takanawa Prince Hotel Sakura Tower (Tokyo)

Superior

Takanawa Prince Hotel (Tokyo); Kyoto Takaragaike Prince Hotel; Hiroshima Prince Hotel

Business & Leisure

Tokyo: Tokyo Prince Hotel; Roppongi Prince Hotel; New Takanawa Prince Hotel;

Shinagawa Prince Hotel; Shinjuku Prince Hotel; Sunshine City Prince Hotel

Shin Yokohama Prince Hotel; Otsu Prince Hotel (on the shore of Lake Biwa)

www.princehotels.co.jp/english/index1.html

2. GDS Promotion by Tokyu Hotels is available on 2 properties in Tokyo, with 10% commission

(1) GDS Promotion-Business Package on Shinbashi Atagoyama Tokyu Inn is being offered through March 31, 2007

Shinbashi Atagoyama Inn is a Tokyu Hotels' standard brand hotel equipped with comfortable and functional rooms. The Business Package includes breakfast & free high speed Internet access.

Single Room (178-200 sq. ft)

13,000 yen (\$111.10)

Twin Room (244-256 sq. ft)

Single use: 16,000 yen (\$136.80); Double use: 17,000 yen (\$145.30)

Access: 7- 10 min. walk from various subway stations, or 15 min. walk from JR Shinbashi Station

www.tokyuhotels.co.jp/en/TI/TI_ATAGO/index.html

(2) 2006/2007 Winter GDS Promotion will be offered on Cerulean Tower Tokyu Hotel from November 26, 2006 through February 4, 2007

Cerulean Tower Tokyu Hotel is a superior hotel located in the center of Shibuya and convenient for both business and leisure travelers

19-24 floors City View Twin Room (398 sq. ft)

21,500 yen (\$183.80); rack rate for single use is 32,000 yen (\$273.50), double use is 34,000 yen (\$290.60)

25-34 floors Sky View Twin Room (398 sq. ft)

23,500 yen (\$200.90); rack rate for single use is 35,000 yen (\$299.10), double use is 37,000 yen (\$316.20)

Access: 5min. walk from Shibuya Station

About 90 min. from Narita International Airport by Airport Limousine Bus.

www.ceruleantower-hotel.com/en/

Reservations: GDS or contact Tokyu Hotels Reservation Center North America by phone at 1-800-42-TOKYU (86598), 212-490-0456, fax at 212-490-0426 or E-mail:

reservation@tokyuhotelsjapan.com

www.tokyuhotels.co.jp/en/index.html

V. Big Discount on Tokyo subways for your clients -- Tokyo Metro Special Open Tickets for Tourists can now be purchased at Narita International Airport

Two types of unlimited ride tickets are sold only at Narita International Airport, at each Railway ticket counter located on the 1st floor Arrival Lobby in both terminals.

Type of ticket*

(1) Tokyo Metro 2-Day Open Ticket: 980 yen (\$8.40); Child: 490 yen (\$4.20)

The 2-Day Open Ticket can be used for two consecutive days.

The ticket is valid for six months from the day of purchase

(2) Tokyo Metro 1-Day Tourist Open Ticket: 600 yen (\$5.10); Child: 300 yen (\$2.60)

The ticket is valid for six months from the day of purchase

* One-Day Open Ticket sold in the downtown area is 710 yen (\$6.10) and 360 yen (\$3.10) for child. By purchasing Special Open Tickets at NRT, your clients can save 30% for two days or 15% for one day.

www.tokyometro.jp/e/index.html

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