

Ms. Yuko Handa to lead the Japan Society of Boston



The Japan Society of Boston (JSB) board of directors is pleased to announce the appointment of Ms. Yuko Handa as Managing Director of the JSB effective today, June 17th, 2019. In this role, she will assume full leadership and management responsibilities of the society. Prior to today's appointment, Ms. Handa had served for nearly two years as the JSB's Operations Manager, establishing a very positive and active presence in the Boston community.

Ms. Handa has been a business professional for over 20 years, with experience in both the for profit and not-for-profit sectors. Born and raised in Japan, in the Shonan region of Kanagawa prefecture, from a young age, she was educated in International Schools in Yokohama. She attended Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, where she earned her BA degree in Sociology. Returning to Japan after graduation, she worked for three years at Singapore Airlines, before joining Analog Devices in Japan. Ms. Handa eventually became Analog Devices Japan's first woman sales engineer, and achieved much success in the role, most notably generating over Yen 1 billion in revenues from Sony, one of the company's most important clients. In 2005 she relocated to the United States with her family. Ms. Handa may be contacted through the JSB website/office or directly at: yukohanda@japansocietyboston.org

At this time, we would also like to extend our thanks and gratitude to our former Executive Director, Matt Krebs, who is departing the Society. We thank him for his dedicated service, deepening the ties between Japan and Boston, his leadership in the development of an expansive array of new programs, and his overall support of Japan activities across Boston. Matt has been a vibrant and an important contributor to our community, and we hope that you will join with us in wishing him great success in his future endeavors. He remains a valued member of the extended JSB family. Going forward, Matt can be reached at mattkrebs@gmail.com.