

Dinner reception in celebration of 25 years of Wellington-Sakai Sister City Relations

ウェリントン・堺市姉妹都市提携25周年記念レセプションの開催

令和元年11月13（水）、ウェリントン市と堺市との姉妹都市提携25周年を記念して、小林大使が主催するレセプションが大使公邸において開催されました。当日は、堺副市長一行及びウェリントン副市長以下両市役所の関係者、両市友好協会関係者、及び当地料理店オーナー／シェフ等が参加し、今後の姉妹都市交流の更なる進展について意見交換が行われました。

また堺市からは、同市産業PRの観点から、堺刃物の講演や研ぎの実演が行われ、出席者は刃物の切れ味を直接体験しました。

Ambassador Kobayashi held a reception to celebrate 25 years of Sister City relations between Sakai City in Osaka and Wellington City. The reception was held at the Ambassador's residence on the 13th of November, with Deputy Mayors of both Sakai and Wellington in attendance. Also present were members from both Cities' Sister City Associations as well as people related to the food industry, as Sakai is renowned for making high quality knives. This reception contributed to further enhancement of friendship and cooperation between these two cities.

As part of the reception and also to promote Sakai's industries, there was a short demonstration of the uses and sharpening methods of Sakai's knives.



Ambassador Kobayashi's speech



Wellington Deputy Mayor Sarah Free's Speech



Sakai Deputy Mayor Nakano's Speech



Knife sharpening demonstration by Mr Shinoda