



Hibiki Association

Reporting Period: August 2026

Location of Activities: San Diego, California

I. Community Performance Initiatives

Program name : Hibiki Echo Project

Senior communities visit - March through August (10 visits)



Our young musicians & volunteers continue to visit senior communities and share live music with residents. These events remain an important part of Hibiki's activities, giving young musicians and volunteers opportunities to use their talents to connect with older generations while bringing music & craft activities and meaningful interaction into senior communities.



In addition to our senior community visits, Hibiki musicians also performed at a Japanese garden in Balboa park as part of a cultural exchange event. This gave our young performers an opportunity to share music in a different community setting and to connect with audiences through both music and cultural exchange.

Onyoku session at Japanese Garden - April



We plan to continue and expand these community performances throughout the fall.

II. Neighborhood Elementary School Outreach

Program name : Hibiki Play Together Studio (After-School Initiative)



From March through May 2026, Hibiki piloted an after-school program at a neighborhood elementary school combining music and arts & crafts activities. We were able to hold weekly sessions during the spring semester. Through these sessions, younger students had opportunities to experience music and participate in hands-on creative activities with our youth volunteers.

The pilot gave us valuable experience in exploring how Hibiki can serve not only senior communities but also younger children in our local neighborhoods. Based on this experience, we hope to continue developing the program and offer additional music and craft activities during the fall semester and beyond.

III. Expansion of Hibiki Chapters

Program name : Echo Global Project

Chula Vista Chapter

Hibiki recently established a new Chula Vista Chapter, led by Misa Ray as Chapter Leader. The chapter has already begun organizing and providing performances for senior communities in the Chula Vista area.



This is an important step toward making Hibiki's programs more accessible to communities beyond our original San Diego activities.

Japan Chapter

We have also established a Japan Chapter, led by Naoka Deadwiley as Chapter Leader. The chapter is currently preparing for its first performance at a senior community in Tokyo.

Launching a chapter internationally requires adapting our program to different cultural and community environments, and we are excited to see Hibiki's mission begin to take shape in Japan.

• Strategic Priorities – 2026

Hibiki Association remains focused on:

1. Expanding community-based performance opportunities
2. Strengthening youth leadership pathways
3. Increasing access to live music education
4. Building sustainable partnerships with schools and cultural organizations

Closing Statement

Hibiki Association continues to evolve as a youth-led nonprofit dedicated to sharing live music, fostering cultural connection, and empowering the next generation of musicians.

We remain grateful for the support of our community partners and look forward to measurable growth throughout 2026.

President,

Mariko Parris