

Drawing on my 39 years of experience with CFA, having obtained my judging license 25 years ago, I have decided to stand as a candidate for Japan Regional Director in this milestone year.

Since childhood, I have been involved in CFA cat shows with my mother, starting as a show staff member and later engaging in Persian breeding and showing. In 1992, during the establishment of the Japan Region, I learned from judges working towards establishing it in the United States during the annual gathering.

I feel the necessity of reviving events essential for regional activities and showcasing the awareness and pride of CFA members through activities in the region, such as reviving previous breed study sessions.

I will utilize my English skills acquired during my study abroad in the United States to participate in board meetings.

I aim to further develop the CFA Japan Region by organizing shows and various events leading to an increase in participants.



Breeding activities:

- Breeding of Solid Persians and Himalayans
- Achieved Best Kitten in 1992-1993, 1993-1994, and 2007-2008 through breeding of Solids and Himalayans
- Concerned about prejudice arising from continued breeding as a judge thus stepped back from breeding

Activities as a CFA member:

- As Japan Region staff, frequently supported award banquets and regional shows
- Attended overseas judge invitations
- Held cat shows twice a year as club secretary
- Judged in Japan and various countries, including the 2013 World Championship Cat Show and The Purple Show.

Guidelines upon becoming director:

- Training and supporting new judges
- Activities to enhance awareness of CFA cat shows for the next generation
- Implementation of show rules, grooming, clerking, judging, and various study sessions
- Meaningful utilization of club meetings
- Prompt dissemination of news from board meetings and others
- Establishing communication with each club

My Background

- 1985: At the age of 10, participated as a steward in cat shows
- 1987: At the age of 12, began clerking activities
- 1989: At the age of 14, registered cattery
- 1991: From the age of 15 to 1993, studied abroad in the United States to acquire language skills necessary for obtaining judging qualifications
- 1992: At the age of 17, obtained Master Clerk license
- 1996: At the age of 21, established Yokohama Bay Cat Fanciers and served as secretary
- 1998: At the age of 23, obtained CFA judge qualification, the youngest in Japan, to date
- 2015-2016: At the age of 40, served as a member of the Judging Program Committee

I ask for your support and your club's vote to elect me, Aki Tamura, as your next Japan Region Regional Director !