



“1000 Cranes for Japan”

Join us at a
Candlelight Vigil

Thursday
March 31, 2011
7:00 PM
at Todos Santos Plaza
in Downtown Concord

Bring an origami crane or help us make one at
the event (instructions on the back of this flyer)

*An ancient Japanese legend promises that anyone who folds a **thousand origami cranes** will be granted a wish by a crane, such as long life or recovery from illness or injury. The crane in Japan is one of the mystical or holy creatures and is said to live for a thousand years. In Japan, it is commonly said that folding 1,000 paper origami cranes makes a person's wish come true. Our wish is for the complete and full recovery of our neighboring country, Japan.*

When you make your crane, also make a commitment to donate to the "**Northern Japan Earthquake Relief Fund**", or any other trusted fund of your choice. Drop your crane into one of the collection boxes provided at the event or in local business locations around Todos Santos Plaza. Our goal is to collect 10,000 cranes in 30 days.

Bring your own candle, or purchase one at the event. Volunteers will be collecting donations on behalf of the "**Northern Japan Earthquake Relief Fund**" at the event or you can donate on line at <http://www.jcccnc.org> through the Japanese Cultural and Community Center of Northern California – 1840 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94115. 100% of your donation will go towards the relief efforts in Japan.

Help Us Fold 1000 Cranes for Japan!
 Just drop your finished crane in one of the bins at participating merchants at Todos Santos Park.

1. Start with a square piece of paper, coloured side up. Fold in half and open. Then fold in half the other way.

2. Turn the paper over to the white side. Fold the paper in half, crease well and open, and then fold again in the other direction.

3. Using the creases you have made, bring the top 3 corners of the model down to the bottom corner. Flatten model.

4. Fold top triangular flaps into the centre and unfold.

5. Fold top of model downwards, crease well and unfold.

6. Open the uppermost flap of the model, bringing it upwards and pressing the sides of the model inwards at the same time. Flatten down, creasing well.

7. Turn model over and repeat Steps 4-6 on the other side.

8. Fold top flaps into the centre.

9. Repeat on other side.

10. Fold both 'legs' of model up, crease very well, then unfold.

11. Inside Reverse: Fold the 'legs' along the creases you just made.

12. Inside Reverse: Fold one side to make a head, then fold down the wings.

Finished Crane