

## Translation

### Chugai Hosts a Charity Concert *Christmas Concert in Yokohama Featuring Star Philharmonic Chorus*

October 2, 2008 - Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. [Head Office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; President: Osamu Nagayama (hereafter, "Chugai")] announced today that it will serve as the special sponsor for "Chugai Presents Anti-Cancer Charity: Star Philharmonic Christmas Concert in Yokohama."

Star Philharmonic Chorus was formed by popular personalities from show business and mass media including Shuntaro Torigoe, who agrees with a proposition of Kuniko Yamada having an experience of the breast cancer. The chorus appeals to people to gain the right knowledge and understanding of cancer through encouraging patients to face up to cancer by telling others on their experiences and organizing charity concerts to emotionally support them.

Chugai has been promoting a variety of corporate social responsibility programs in the fields of "Healthcare and Welfare" and "Education", with the hope of continued contribution to people's health. As part of these activities, the company has been hosting charity events since 2005 aimed at supporting the activities of Cancer Patient Associations. This will be the fourth time that Chugai has sponsored such an event.

Continuing from the last year, the fourth charity concert aims to publicize that the Cancer Patient Associations play a part in providing psychological care to help patients and their families overcome their pain and distresses, to show that the association is a familiar presence with which the patients and their families can turn to, to discuss their problems and concerns related to the disease, and to hope for the tomorrow without anxieties or uncertainties over cancer with the singing voices of Star Philharmonic Chorus.

The 2008 Yokohama Cancer Charity Executive Committee, which hosts this concert together with Nippon Broadcasting System, comprises 23 patient groups and patient support organizations that agree with the purpose of this event and carry out activities either in the Kanto region, or throughout Japan. Content of each group's activities will also be displayed at the concert venue. Moreover, part of the proceeds from the admission fees and contribution made by sponsors will be donated to the 2008 Yokohama Cancer Charity Executive Committee to fund activities of participating groups and organizations.

Chugai's mission is to dedicate itself "for the benefit of the medical community and human health around the world," and it will not only be further committed to delivering innovative drugs, but also to carrying out these corporate social responsibility programs.

[Reference]

An Overview of “Chugai Presents Anti-Cancer Charity:  
Star Philharmonic Christmas Concert in Yokohama”

Date and time:	December 23, 2008 (Tues.) Start at 15:00
Venue:	Hamagin Hall “VIA MARE”
Performers:	Chorus Master Kuniko Yamada and performers from the Star Philharmonic Chorus will appear on stage.
Organizers:	Nippon Broadcasting System, Inc., and 2008 Yokohama Cancer Charity Executive Committee
Supporter:	Japan Cancer Society
Planning cooperation by:	Star Philharmonic Chorus
Special sponsor:	Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.
Tickets:	¥1,000 (tax inclusive). To be exchanged for reserved-seat tickets from 11:00 on the day.
Inquiries and purchase:	Ticket Port Tel: 03-5403-3330 (weekdays 10:00 - 19:00)

<Content of the event>

- Part I: Live talk show by Kuniko Yamada. Members of the Star Philharmonic Chorus are also expected to appear in talks on “growing luster of one’s life,” “joy of life,” and “facing cancer” on the themes of their battle against cancer and how they have faced up to cancer.
- Part II: A concert by Star Philharmonic Chorus. Christmas fantasia and play songs with the audience will no doubt offer enjoyable moments.

<List of 23 groups participating in the 2008 Yokohama Cancer Charity Executive Committee>

Ichi, Ni no San de Onsenni Hairu Kai; Ever Spring; (NPO) Josei Tokuyuno Gan no Support Group -Orange Tea; Gan to Tomoni Ikiru Kai; (NPO) Ganno Kodomo wo Mamoru Kai; (NPO) CancerNet Japan; (NPO) Group Nexus; (NPO) Japan Wellness; Cancer Patients Society “Shalom”; “Sukusuku,” a Family Group of Children with Retinoblastoma; Ovary Cancer Patients’ Group “Smiley”; Pink Ribbon Society “Sophia”; Soleil; Gan Kanja to Kazoku Izoku no Kai Dongurinokai; Chiba Breast Cancer Patients’ Group “Nemuno Kai”; Japan Pancreatic Cancer Patient Group Action Network (Pan-Can Japan); (NPO) Chiba Home Care Citizen Network “Pure”; (NPO) Bougainvillea; (NPO) Breast Cancer Support Group VOICE; (NPO) Hope★Project; (NPO) “VOL-Net”-Voice Of Life Net, patients and networks for listening to voices together; Yamanashi Mamma Club; Rimpa no Kai.