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2016 Spring Conferment of Japanese Decorations

1. On 29 April 2016 (Japan Time), the Government of Japan announced the foreign recipients of the 2016 Spring Conferment of Japanese Decorations.
2. Among the 90 foreign recipients is Former President of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Professor Barbara Cannon.

·NAME (AGE): Barbara Cannon (69)
·DECORATION: The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star
·SERVICE: Contribution to the promotion of scientific and technological exchanges and mutual understanding between Japan and Sweden
·MAJOR TITLES: Former President of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences
Former Professor at Stockholm University
·ADDRESS (NATIONALITY): Stockholm (Sweden and U.K.)

3. Japanese Decorations are conferred upon foreigners twice a year, on 29 April and 3 November, concurrently with the conferment of decorations and medals to Japanese nationals. On 29 April 2016, the Government of Japan announced the conferment of decorations on 91 foreigners, of which 20 receive The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star.
4. The Orders of the Rising Sun are bestowed upon individuals of merit, in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the nation or public. The Orders of the Rising Sun are also conferred upon foreign nationals who have made notable contribution to promotion of exchanges between Japan and other countries in fields such as research and education, medicine and social welfare, economy and industry, and culture and sports.
5. For further information on Japanese Decorations and Medals, see <http://www8.cao.go.jp/shokun/en/index-e.html>

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