

クルーズインサイトアワード 2019 特別賞受賞について
(クルーズ情報誌「クルーズインサイト」掲載文概要)

石巻市は、2011年3月に発生した巨大地震（M9.0）とその後襲来した大規模な津波による被害から目覚ましい復興を遂げていることから「クルーズインサイトアワード 2019」において、特別賞を受賞した。

市の沿岸部は、津波により多くの建物が倒壊、船や港湾施設には大きな被害が生じ、あらゆる場所が「がれき」の山と化した。

しかし現在、石巻を襲った災害のあらゆる痕跡は消え、家々は再建され、臨海部の工業地帯も喧騒を取り戻しつつある。

また、クルーズ旅行者を歓迎することで復興を推進させようとする努力と、震災の教訓を語り伝える（震災伝承）取り組みは、感動的である。

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A remarkable recovery

Ishinomaki wins a special award in recognition of its remarkable recovery from the massive undersea earthquake (measuring 9.0) that struck off the north-east coast of Japan in March 2011, triggering a devastating tsunami.

Nearly half the city was immersed by the tidal wave. Schools were completely destroyed, including Ishinomaki Okawa Elementary School which lost 70 of its 108 students and nine out of 13 teachers and staff. A year ago the death toll stood at more than 15,000 across 12 prefectures. Many people remain unaccounted for, and thousands still live in temporary housing.

As was the case across the whole north-east coast of Japan, buildings were stacked sideways on top of each other, barges were found resting on rows of houses, there

was heavy damage to ships and port facilities and there was debris, silt and rubbish everywhere.

Any reminder of the devastation that befell Ishinomaki has been erased from every corner of the city. People have returned. Homes have been rebuilt. The ravaged seafront is busy with activity as construction continues.

Ishinomaki's efforts to attract visitors as a way to aid the recovery is inspiring. They include creating tours to the areas recovering from the devastation, opportunities to meet survivors who share their story, meeting people who are involved in the rebuilding efforts, and even visiting galleries where repurposed storm-damaged materials have been transformed into attractive and usable arts and crafts.

