

Seasonal Event Information

May 2016



★ Event schedules are subject to change.
Please contact event organizers before you go.

Events Held in Hiroshima City

Every Wednesday until December 28, 2016 ☺ May 4, 11, 18 & 25; June 1, 8, 15 & 22

Hiroshima Kagura ひろしまけんみんぶんか ひろしまかぐら ていきこうえん
広島県民文化センター「広島神楽」定期公演

TIME: 7:00pm – 8:45pm (The venue will open at 6:00pm.)

PLACE: Hiroshima Kenmin Bunka Center, Ote-machi, Naka-ku (located near Hondori Shopping Street)

ACCESS: From Kamiya-cho-nishi or Hondori Streetcar Stops, walking time to destination is 3 minutes.

TICKETS: ¥1,000 ✧ All non-reserved seats

✧ Tickets will be sold from 5:00pm on the performance date at the center.

There are no advance tickets.

INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Kenmin Bunka Center 082-245-2311

Thu., April 28 – Sun., May 8

World Beer and Gourmet Stadium 2016 せかいのビールとグルメスタジアム 2016

TIME: Weekdays: 3:00pm – 9:00pm / Sat., Sun. & national holidays: 11:00am – 9:00pm

PLACE: The Open Space of Former Municipal Baseball Stadium, Moto-machi, Naka-ku

ACCESS: Get off at Kamiya-cho-nishi or Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stops.

ADMISSION FEE: Free, except for entry to the “kids’ park”.

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee (inside the Hiroshima TV building)

Year-round telephone no.: 082-249-1218 (Mon. – Fri., 10:00am – 6:00pm)

Special event-period telephone no. (April 28 – May 8): 090-7502-4861

You can enjoy beer from all over the world, food, music, etc. every day during the event period.

Remember, no driving if you drink alcohol! Pets (except service dogs) are not allowed to enter the venue. Event may be canceled if there is bad weather.

Sun., May 1 & 15

Hiroshima Minato Marché ひろしまみなとマルシェ

TIME: 9:00am – 3:00pm

PLACE: Open Space between East and West Terminal of Hiroshima Port, Minami-ku

ACCESS: Take the No. 1, 3 or 5 streetcar bound for Hiroshima Port and get off at the last stop, Hiroshima Port.

INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Minato Marché Office 082-255-6646

You can buy and taste locally-grown fresh vegetables and other food products at the marché.



Tue, May 3 – Thu., May 5

The 40th Hiroshima Flower Festival だい かい 第40回ひろしまフラワーフェスティバル

TIME: From 11:00am onward

PLACE: Peace Memorial Park, Heiwa-Odori (Peace Boulevard), etc.

ACCESS: From Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 5 minutes.

Please feel free to contact the International Exchange Lounge at 082-247-9715.

E-mail: golounge@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp

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EVENTS: May 3: Opening ceremony, parade, etc.

May 4: Stage performances

May 5: *Kinsai Yosakoi* dancing parade, closing ceremony, etc.

May 3 – 5: Various stage performances, sales kiosks, and other events

INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Flower Festival Executive Committee
082-294-4622 HP: <http://www.hiroshima-ff.com>

Tue, May 3 – Thu., May 5

Hiroshima's Sister/Friendship Cities Event: Daegu Day (Korea)

しまい ゆうこうとし ひ きねん てぐ ひ
姉妹・友好都市の日記念イベント 大邱の日

EVENTS: ♦ *Daegu Madan* ☺ Enjoy Korean foods!

Date & Time: May 3 – 5 (11:00am – 6:30pm)

Place: Near Hotel Sunroute Hiroshima

♦ Daegu day memorial ceremony and stage performance

Date & Time: May 3 (12:30pm – 1:30pm)

Place: Stage CARNATION

♦ Exhibition on Daegu City and experience Korean culture

Date & Time: May 3 (11:00am – 5:00pm)

Place: *Hiroshima Kokusai Kaigijo*, 1F Lobby, etc.



PLACE: Hiroshima Flower Festival Venue, Naka-ku

ACCESS: Get off at Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop.

INQUIRIES: *Kokusai Koryu Kyoryoku Ka*, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation 082-242-8879

Thu., May 5

Yakushi Taisai Festival at Fudoin Temple

ふどういんやくしたいさい
不動院薬師大祭

PLACE: Fudoin Temple, Higashi-ku

ACCESS: From *Astramline* Fudoin-mae Station, walking time to destination is 2 minutes.

INQUIRIES: Fudoin Temple 082-221-6923

☑ This is an annual event in which Fudoin Temple's principle statue, *Yakushi-nyorai-zazo*, designated as a national important cultural property, will be open to the public. A ritual will also be held from 2:00pm.

Mon., May 9

Hiroshima Rosoku Takiinoh

ひろしまろうそくたきぎのう
広島蠟燭新能

TIME: 6:00pm – 9:00pm ✧ The venue will open at 5:00pm.

PLACE: Hiroshima Gokoku Jinja (Shrine), *Noh* stage, Naka-ku

ACCESS: From the Kamiya-cho-nishi or the Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stops, walking time to destination is 10 minutes..

TICKET: S-¥10,000 A-¥8,000 B-¥5,000

✧ Advance tickets are sold at Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, EDION Hiroshima, *Hon-kan* (Kamiya-cho), *Fukuya* Department Store (Hiroshima Station) and Chugoku Shimbun.

INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Gokoku Jinja 082-221-5590 (9:00am – 5:00pm)

☑ *Noh* is a traditional Japanese performing art.

☑ This performance will be held at JMS Aster Plaza (Kako-machi, Naka-ku) if it rains on the 9th. Please check the shrine's website (<http://www.h-gokoku.or.jp>) or call the shrine (082-221-5590) about the venue.

Sat., May 14

Yakushi Festival at Myokoji Temple

やくし
薬師まつり

TIME: 10:00am – 3:00pm

PLACE: Myokoji Temple, Asakita-ku

ACCESS: From JR Naka-fukawa Station (JR Geibi Line), walking time to destination is 5 minutes.

INQUIRIES: Myokoji Temple 082-842-0148

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☐ This is an annual event in which Myokoji Temple's *Yakushi-nyorai-zazo* will be open to the public. This *Yakushi-nyorai-zazo* statue which was made in the Muromachi Period (A.D.1336 – A.D.1573) is the largest one in Hiroshima City and is designated as a Hiroshima Prefecture important cultural property. Various events such as stage performances and a flea market will also be held.

Sun., May 22

Hiroshima's Sister/Friendship Cities Event: Hannover Day (Germany)

しまい ゆうこうとし ひ きねん
姉妹・友好都市の日記念イベント ハノーバーの日

TIME: 1:00pm – 3:30pm

PLACE: Hiroshima-shi Ryugakusei Kaikan, Minami-ku

ACCESS: From JR Hiroshima Station (south exit), walking time to destination is 5 min.

PROGRAMS: Free tasting of German sweets and sausages, a German music concert; etc.

INQUIRIES: *Kokusai Koryu Kyoryoku Ka*, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation 082-242-8879



Sat., May 28 & Sun., May 29

Mandou Mitama Festival at Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine まんどう まつり 万灯みたま祭

SCHEDULE: • May 28

Miko-odori, a dance performance by one hundred unmarried women in *miko* (female shrine attendant) dress (takes place from 7:00pm onward.)

• May 29

Children's *sumo* competition (takes place from 10:00am onward.)

Kagura performance (Takes place from 7:00pm onward.)

PLACE: Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, Moto-machi, Naka-ku

ACCESS: From Kamiya-cho Higashi Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 8 min.

INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine 082-221-5590

☐ This is a festival to console the spirits of war victims.

Fri., June 3 – Sun., June 5

Tokasan Festival とうかさん

TIME: Noon – 11:00pm on Jun. 3 & 4 / Noon – 10:00pm on Jun. 5

PLACE: Enryuji Temple and around *Chuo-dori* Street, Naka-ku

ACCESS: From Hatchobori Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 5 minutes.

INQUIRIES: Enryuji Temple 082-241-7420

☐ *Tokasan* is one of the biggest summer festivals in Hiroshima. Many people in *yukata* (summer kimono) can be seen during the festival. Various vendors will be set up.

Sun., June 5

Shobu (Iris-viewing) Tea Ceremony しょうぶ茶会

TIME: 9:30am – 3:00pm

PLACE: Shukkeien Garden

ACCESS: Take a streetcar on the Hiroden Hakushima Line and get off at Shukkeien-mae. Walking time to destination: 5 minutes

FEE: ¥1,200 for the tea ceremony

◇ Admission fee for the garden is also required.

(Adults-¥260, University & High school students-¥150
Junior high & Elementary school students- ¥100)

INQUIRIES: Shukkeien Garden 082-221-3620



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Sun., June 12**Rice-Planting Festival & Tea Ceremony**た う まつ ちやかい
田 植 え 祭 り (茶 会)

- TIME:** ♦ Tea ceremony → 10:00am – 3:00pm
 ♦ Rice-planting demonstration → 1:00pm – 1:30pm
 ♦ *Hayashi-da* performance → 1:35pm – 1:55pm
 ♦ *Nanjo* dance performance → 2:15pm – 2:45pm

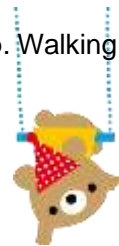
PLACE: Shukkeien Garden**ACCESS:** Take a streetcar on the Hiroden Hakushima Line and get off at Shukkeien-mae. Walking time to destination: 5 minutes**FEE:** ¥700 for tea ceremony

◇ Admission fee for the garden is also required.

Adults - ¥260, University & High school students - ¥150
Junior high & Elementary school students - ¥100

INQUIRIES: Shukkeien Garden 082-221-3620**Sat., July 2 – Sun., Sept. 25****Kinoshita Circus in Hiroshima**きのした ひろしまこうえん
木下サーカス 広島公演**PLACE:** Special Venue at *Hiroshima Nishi Hikojo Atochi* (the site of Hiroshima Nishi Airport), Kanon Shinmachi, Nishi-ku**ACCESS:** Take the No. 3 bus bound for Kanon Marina Hop and get off at Kanon Marina Hop. Walking time to destination: 3 minutes**TICKETS FOR NON-RESERVED SEATS**

- ♦ Advance: High school students and up - ¥2,800
3 years old – Junior high school students - ¥1,800
- ♦ At the door: High school students and up - ¥3,200
3 years old – Junior high school students - ¥2,200
- ◇ Advance tickets are available at Ticket PIA, Lawson, Seven-Eleven, e+, Rakuten Ticket, etc.
- ◇ Reserved seats are also sold. Please check the official homepage (see below) for more information.

**SCHEDULE:**

	Mon., Tue. & Wed.	Fri. & Jul. 2	Sat.	Sun. & National holidays
10:20am	—	—	—	○
11:00am	○	—	○	—
1:00pm	—	○	—	○
1:40pm	○	—	○	—
3:40pm	—	○	—	○

CLOSED: Every Thursday (except Aug. 11 & Sept. 22), July 6, Aug. 3, 10 & Sept. 7, 21**INQUIRIES:** Kinoshita Circus Hiroshima Office

082-234-0045

URL: <http://www.kinoshita-circus.co.jp/>

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Events Held on Miyajima

Fri., April 29 – Sun., May 8

Daishoin Temple *Satsuki* (Azalea) Festival だいしょういんまつり 大聖院さつき祭り

TIME: 8:00am – 5:00pm

PLACE: Daishoin Temple, Miyajima

ACCESS: Get off at JR Miyajima-guchi Station (JR Sanyo Line) or the Miyajima Streetcar Stop (Hiroden Streetcar Miyajima Line), then take a ferry to Miyajima.

ADMISSION FEE: Free

INQUIRIES: Daishoin Temple 0829-44-0111

☐ Exhibition of temple treasures, calligraphy by virtuous monks and flower arrangements.

Tue., May 3

Annual Celebration at Awashima Shrine あwashimajinjaれいさい 粟島神社例祭

TIME: From 11:00am onward

PLACE: Awashima Shrine, Miyajima

ACCESS: Get off at JR Miyajima-guchi Station (JR Sanyo Line) or the Miyajima Streetcar Stop (Hiroden Streetcar Miyajima Line), then take a ferry to Miyajima.

INQUIRIES: Itsukushima Shrine 0829-44-2020

☐ This is the annual celebration of “*Awashima-san*”, also known as the guardian deity of women.

Wed., May 18

Ritual Ceremony for Empress Suiko & Bugaku すいこてんのうさいようはいしき 推古天皇祭遙拜式

TIME: From 9:00am onward

PLACE: Itsukushima Shrine, Miyajima

ACCESS: Get off at JR Miyajima-guchi Station (JR Sanyo Line) or the Miyajima Streetcar Stop (Hiroden Streetcar Miyajima Line), then take a ferry to Miyajima.

ADMISSION FEE: Adults & University students-¥300, High school students-¥200,
Junior high & Elementary school students-¥100

INQUIRIES: Itsukushima Shrine 0829-44-2020

☐ After the ritual ceremony for Empress Suiko (A.D.554-628), *Bugaku* (traditional Japanese imperial court dance and music) will be performed.

Events Held Outside of Hiroshima City

Sat., Sun. & national holidays

Sake Brewery Opening じょうかまちさいじょう ようこそ醸華町西条

PLACE: Sake Breweries, Higashihiroshima City

ACCESS: Get off at JR Saijo Station (JR Sanyo Line).

FEE: Free

INQUIRIES: Saijo Sakagura-dori Kanko Annai-jo

Tel. & Fax 082-421-2511 (10:00am – 4:00pm, closed on Mondays)

☐ Some *sake* breweries open to the public on Sat., Sun. & national holidays. Signboards with the words “ようこそ醸華町西条” (“*Yokoso Jokamachi Saijo*”) will be placed in front of the opened breweries.



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Thu., April 14 – Tue., May 17**Hoisting of *Koi-nobori* (Carp-shaped Streamers)**こい ぶ なが
鯉のぼり吹き流し**TIME:** 9:00am – 9:00pm (Kure-Portpier Park open hour)**PLACE:** Kure-Portpier Park, Kure City**ACCESS:** Get off at JR Kure-Portpier Station (JR Kure Line).|**ADMISSION FEE:** Free**CLOSED:** Every Wednesday**INQUIRIES:** Tenno Shimin Center 0823-38-7543 HP: <http://www.kurepo.com>

☑ Families with boys will hoist *koi-nobori* (carp-shaped streamers) to assure their boy's success and good health at *tango-no-sekku* (the Boy's Festival) on the 5th of May.

100 streamers will be hoisted at this event. You can also see them from the JR Kure Line train.

☑ The *Kure Kodomo* (children) *Festival* will also be held on May 4.

**Sun., May 1 – Sun., May 22****Tomonoura *Tai-ami* (Traditional Fish-catching)**とも うらんこうたいあみ
鞆の浦観光鯛網**TIME:** Weekdays: 1:30pm – 2:50pm

Saturdays, Sundays & national holidays: ① 10:30am – 11:50am ② 1:30pm – 2:50pm

PLACE: Sensui Island, Tomo-cho, Fukuyama City**ACCESS:** Take a bus bound for Tomonoura from JR Fukuyama Station (JR Sanyo Line) and get off at Tomonoura (a 30 min. bus ride). Then get on a ferry to Sensui Island (a 5 min. ferry ride).**TICKET FEE:** High school students and up - ¥2,800

Junior high and Elementary school students - ¥1,400

◇ You can ride a ferry to the island without charge if you show your ticket for the event.

◇ Tickets will be sold at the ferry landing during the event period.

◎ Tickets including bus fare* are also available. *Round trip tickets are from JR Fukuyama Station to Tomo
High school students or older-¥3,300

Junior high and Elementary school students-¥1,650

INQUIRIES: Fukuyama-shi Kanko Convention Kyokai 084-926-2649

☑ *Tai-ami*, net-fishing of porgy, is a traditional fish-catching method which has a history of 380 years.

Tue., May 3 & Wed., May 4**Takehara *Take* (Bamboo) Festival**

たけ はら 竹まつり

TIME: 10:00am – 4:00pm**PLACE:** *Machi-nami Hozon Chiku* (Historical areas and buildings), Takehara City**ACCESS:** From JR Takehara Station (JR Kure Line), walking time to destination is 15 minutes. |**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0846-22-4331

☑ *Kaguya-hime* (Moon Princess) parade, bamboo craft classes, tasting *Sasa-zake* (a type of sake), etc.

**Tue., May 3 – Thu., May 5** ☑ Various events will be held.**Miyoshi Wine Festival**はる みよし まつり
春の三次ワイン祭**TIME:** 10:30am – 4:00pm**PLACE:** Hiroshima Miyoshi Winery, Miyoshi City**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Miyoshi Station (JR Geibi Line) and get off at Hiroshima Miyoshi Winery.**INQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Miyoshi Winery 0824-64-0200**Thu., May 5*****Ichiiri-sai* Festival in Yoshida-cho**よしだ いちいりさい
吉田の市入祭**TIME:** 10:00am – 4:30pm**PLACE:** Suga Shrine and Yoshida-cho Shopping Street, Yoshida-cho, Akitakata City**ACCESS:** From Takata I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, time to destination by car is 15 minutes..**INQUIRIES:** Akitakata City Shoko Kai 0826-42-0560

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Sat., May 7**Innoshi-marché** いんのしまルシェ**TIME:** 10:00am – 3:00pm**PLACE:** Innoshima Flower Center, Onomichi City**ACCESS:** ① Take a bus bound for Innoshima Habu-ko from JR Onomichi Station (JR Sanyo Line) and get off at Innoshima Ohashi. Walking time to destination: 10 minutes

② From Innoshima-kita I.C. on the Shimanamikaido Expressway, time to destination by car is 5 minutes.

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee 080-1929-5018 E-mail: innoshimarche@yahoo.co.jp

☐ This is an open-air market.

**Sat., May 7****The 25th Onomichi Noh Performance** だい かいおのみちたきぎのう 第25回尾道新能**TIME:** 6:00pm – 8:00pm ✧ The venue will open at 5:00pm**PLACE:** Jodo-ji Temple, Amida-do, Onomichi City**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Onomichi Station (JR Sanyo Line) and get off Jodo-ji-shita (a 7 min. bus ride).**TICKET:** Advance: Adults-¥3,000 University students-¥1,000

At the door: Adults-¥3,500 University students-¥1,000

✧ High school students and under-Free

✧ Advanced tickets are sold at *Fukuya* Department Stores (Hatchobori & Hiroshima Station) and EDION Hiroshima Play Guide (*Honkan*, B1F; Kamiya-cho) in Hiroshima City.**INQUIRIES:** *Onomichi Kanko Kyokai* (Tourist Association) 0848-37-9736

Executive Committee 080-6344-3360 (Kajikawa)

☐ *Noh* is a traditional Japanese performing art.**Sun., May 8****Hana Matsuri at Tounji Temple** どうんじ はなまつ 洞雲寺の花祭り**TIME:** Ritual – From 10:00am onward**PLACE:** Tounji Temple, Hatsukaichi City**ACCESS:** From JR Hatsukaichi Station (JR Sanyo Line), walking time to destination is 5 minutes.**INQUIRIES:** Tounji Temple 0829-31-2461

☐ This is a ceremony to celebrate Buddha's birthday.

Sun., May 8**Buddhist Rites for Mother's Day and Tea Ceremony** よ ははけいさんほうようなら く ちゃしき 世の母敬讃法要並びに供茶式**TIME:** Buddhist Rites: 11:00am – noon / Tea Ceremony: noon – 3:00pm**PLACE:** Kozanji Temple & Kozanji Temple Museum, Onomichi City**ACCESS:** ① Take an express bus "*Shimanami Liner*" from Hiroshima Bus Center (*Sogo* Hiroshima Department Store, 3F) and get off at Setoda Bus Stop (a 1 hour and 40 min. bus ride). Then take another bus from there and get off at Kozanji.Please note that reservations are required to take a "*Shimanami Liner*". Call the Hiroko Reservation Center (082-238-3344) for more information (9:00am – 6:00pm; open every day).

② Get on a ferry from Mihara Port or Onomichi Port and get off at Setoda Port. Walking time to destination: 10 minutes

FEE FOR THE CEREMONY: Free ✧ Admission fee for the temple and museum is required (see below).**ADMISSION FEE FOR THE TEMPLE & THE MUSEUM:**

Adults-¥1,400 University students-¥1,000 High school students-¥700

Junior high school students and under-Free Seniors (65 years old and up)-¥1,200

INQUIRIES: Kozanji Temple & Kozanji Temple Museum 0845-27-0800

☐ Carnations will be given away for free from 9:00am on the event day.



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Sun., May 8**O-hanadaue (Rice-Planting Festival)** おおはなだうえ
大花田植**TIME:** From 10:30am onward**PLACE:** Oasa Narutaki Roten Onsen, Kitahiroshima-cho**ACCESS:** ① From Oasa I.C. on the Hamada Expressway, time to destination by car 7 minutes.② Take an express bus from JR Hiroshima Station (*Shinkansen* Exit) and get off at Oasa I.C.
Time to destination by car: 7 minutes**INQUIRIES:** Kitahiroshima-cho Kanko Kyokai (Tourist Association), Oasa Branch 050-5812-8001

☐ This rice-planting performance, “*Shinjo no hayashida*”, is designated as an Important Folk Cultural Property of Japan. Beautifully decorated oxen will cultivate the rice fields and woman dressed in traditional costumes called *Saotome* will plant rice. The *Nanjo-odori* dance, which is designated as a Hiroshima Prefecture intangible cultural asset, will also be performed.

Tue., May 10**Sakagura Walking Tour (Free)** さかぐら
酒蔵のまち てくてくガイド**TIME:** Tour will start on an as-needed basis between 10:00am and 11:00am.**MEETING PLACE:** Saijo Sakagura-dori Kanko Annai-jo (Tourist Information Center), Higashihiroshima City**ACCESS:** Get off at JR Saijo Station (JR Sanyo Line).**FEE:** Free**INQUIRIES:** Saijo Sakagura-dori Kanko Annai-jo Tel. & Fax 082-421-2511

☐ A volunteer guide will show you *Sakagura-dori* (Sake Brewery Street). During the tour you will be able to taste *sake* and the purified water that is used to make it.

☐ A regular guided tour (fee-based) is also held every day except on the 10th. An English speaking guide is available. Please contact the *Saijo Sakagura-dori* Tourist Information Center in advance.

Sat., May 14 & Sun., May 15**The 49th Fukuyama Rose Festival 2016** だい かいふくやま まつり
第49回福山ばら祭2016**TIME:** May 14 → 10:00am – 6:00pm / May 15 → 10:00am – 5:00pm**PLACE:** Bara Koen (“Rose Park”), Midori-machi Koen (park), Chuo Koen (park) and Fukuyama City central area**ACCESS:** From JR Fukuyama Station (JR Sanyo Line), walking time to destination is 20 minutes.**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 084-944-5515**Sun., May 15****Tonoga Hanataue (Rice-Planting Festival)** とのがはなたう
殿賀花田植え**TIME:** From 10:00am onward**VENUE:** Around Akiota *Byoin* (hospital), Akiota-cho☛ The venue will be changed to *Tonoga Shogakko* (elementary school) if it rains on the event day.**ACCESS:** ① From Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F), take a bus bound for Sandankyo and get off at Kake Byoin.

② From Togouchi I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, time to destination by car is 5 minutes..

INQUIRIES: Shoko Kanko Ka, Akiota-cho 0826-28-1961

☐ This is designated as an Akiota-cho intangible cultural asset. A *kagura* performance will also be held.

Fri., May 20**Hatsuka-no-ichi Market** はつか いち
廿日の市**TIME:** 8:30am – 10:30am**PLACE:** *Shingu Chuo Koen* (Park), Hatsukaichi City

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ACCESS: From Hatsukaichi Shiyakusho-mae (Hiroden Streetcar Miyajima Line), walking time to destination is 3 minutes.

INQUIRIES: *Hatsukaichi Kanko Kyokai* (Tourist Association) 0829-31-5656

Sat., May 28

Satsuki Senbatsu Kagura Performance 2016

さつき^{せんばつ}選抜2016 ^{だい}第24回^{かい}広島県^{しまけん}北部^{ほくぶ}神楽^{ぐら}競演^{きやうえん}大会^{たいかい}

TIME: From 12:30pm onward (The venue will open at 10:00am.)

PLACE: *Kagura Monzen Toji-mura*, Kagura Dome, Midori-cho, Akitakata City

ACCESS: ① Take an express bus (Miyoshi / Shobara Line) from Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F) and get off at Midori Kosoku (a 1 hour bus ride). Then take a taxi or shuttle bus to Toji-mura.

◇ Reservations are required for both taxi and shuttle bus.

② From Takata I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, time to destination by car is 7 minutes.

TICKETS: A seats (box seats): For 6 people-¥18,000

B seats (box seats): For 6 people-¥15,000

For one person: Adults-¥3,000 *Children-¥1,500

A seats (reserved chair seats): Adults-¥2,000 *Children-¥1,000

Non-reserved seats: Advance: Adults-¥1,500 *Children-¥500

At the door: Adults-¥1,800 *Children-¥600

*Children = Junior high & elementary school students

◇ Tickets for A & B box seats, A reserved chair seats and non-reserved seats are sold at *Hiroshima Yume Plaza* on Hondori Shopping Street. There are also other box seat tickets available. Please call *Kagura Monzen Toji-mura* directly for those seats.

INQUIRIES: *Kagura Monzen Toji-mura* 0826-54-0888



Sat., May 28

Fukuyama Tomonoura Benten-jima Fireworks Festival ^{ふくやまとも} ^{うらべんてんじまはな} ^{びたいかい} 福山鞆の浦弁天島花火大会

TIME: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

PLACE: Tomonoura, Tomo-cho, Fukuyama City

ACCESS: Get off at JR Fukuyama Station (JR Sanyo Line), then take a bus bound for Tomo and get off at Tomonoura (a 30 min. bus ride).

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee 084-928-1042

☑ This will be postponed until the next day, Sun., May 29, if it rains heavily on the 28th.

Sun., May 29 (Tentative)

Harada Hayashida (Rice-Planting Festival) ^{はらだ} ^だ ^{くるはら} ^{まつ} 原田はやし田 (来原さんばい祭り)

TIME: 10:00am – 4:30pm

◆ Opening Ceremony → From 10:00 onward

◆ *Hayashida* (rice-planting) → From noon onward

PLACE: *Kuruhara Shogakko* (elementary school), Takamiya-cho, Akitakata City

ACCESS: From Takata I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, time to destination by car is 10 minutes..

INQUIRIES: *Shoko Kanko Ka*, Akitakata City Hall 0826-47-4024

☑ This is designated as an Important Folk Cultural Property of Japan.

Other traditional rice-planting performances will also be held at this time in Akitakata City.

Wed., June 1 – Sat., September 10

Cormorant Fishing in Miyoshi ^{みよし} ^{うかい} 三次の鵜飼

TIME: 7:45pm – 8:45pm (Cruising will be canceled if it rains heavily.)

PLACE: *Tokaichi Shinsui Koen* (Park), Miyoshi City

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ACCESS: From JR Miyoshi Station (JR Geibi Line), walking time to destination is 15 minutes.

PASSENGER FARE: ✧ Please note that reservations are required.

- ◆ Sunday – Thursday: Junior high school students and up-¥2,500
Elementary school students-¥1,250

✧ Passenger fare will be different on Friday and Saturday. Please ask the tourist association below for more information.

RESERVATIONS & INQUIRIES: *Miyoshi City Kanko Kyokai* (Tourist Association) 0824-63-9268

☑ Fishermen start out at night with lanterns and cormorants on small wooden boats. The birds are trained to catch *Ayu* (sweetfish). Very unique white-colored cormorants (a type of water fowl, usually with black feathers) were donated by Yaan in Szechuan, China, Miyoshi's friendship city, and can be seen only in Miyoshi.

Sat., June 4

The 37th Chugoku Region Kagura Performance だい かいちゅうごくちほうせんぱつかぐらきょうえんたいかい 第37回中国地方選抜神楽競演大会

TIME: From noon onward (the venue will open at 10:00am.)

✧ Numbered tickets to enter the venue will be distributed from 8:30am.

PLACE: *Togouchi Fureai Center*, Akiota-cho

ACCESS: ① From Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F), take a bus bound for Sandankyo and get off at Akiota-cho Yakuba. Walking time to destination: 2 minutes

② From Togouchi I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, time to destination by car is 5 minutes..

TICKETS: Advance: Adults-¥2,100 Senior high, junior high & elementary school students-¥500

At the door: Adults-¥2,600 Senior high, junior high & elementary school students-¥500

✧ Advance tickets are sold at Lawson (convenience store), *Hiroshima Yume Plaza* on Hondori Shopping Street and *Alpark Tenmaya*.

INQUIRIES: *Akiota-cho Shoko Kai*, Togouchi & Tsutsuga Branch 0826-28-2504

☑ You can take a video of the *kagura* performance for ¥3,000 from a designated location in the venue.

Sun., June 5

Mibu-no Hanataue (Rice-Planting Festival) in Kitahiroshima-cho みぶ はなたうえ 壬生の花田植

TIME: ◆ *Michi-yuki* (parade) – From 11:00am onward

◆ Rice-planting – From 2:00pm onward

PLACE: ◆ *Michi-yuki* (parade) – From Mibu Shopping Street to the special venue for rice-planting

◆ Rice-planting – Special venue for rice-planting

ACCESS: Take an express bus bound for Miyoshi / Shobara from Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F) and get off at Chiyoda I.C. Walking time to destination: 10 minutes

INQUIRIES: *Kitahiroshima-cho Kanko Kyokai* (Tourist Association) 0826-72-6908

☑ *Mibu-no Hanataue* is a traditional rice-planting festival which has been designated as an Important Folk Cultural Property of Japan. Beautifully decorated cattle will cultivate the rice fields and women dressed in traditional costumes called *Saotome* will plant rice while *Taiko* drums are played.

UNESCO designated this festival as a “masterpiece of the oral and intangible heritage of humanity” in 2011.

June 4 (Sat.), 5 (Sun.), 11 (Sat.) & 12 (Sun.)

Annual Open House at Yoshimizuen Garden よしみずえんいっぱんこうかい 吉水園一般公開

TIME: 9:00am – 5:00pm

PLACE: Yoshimizuen Garden, Kake, Akiota-cho

ACCESS: From Togouchi I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, time to destination by car is 15 minutes.

ADMISSION FEE: 15 years old and up-¥200, 14 years old and under-Free

INQUIRIES: *Akiota-cho Kanko Kyokai* (Tourist Association) 0826-28-1800

☑ Various events such as *kagura* performances will also be held on June 4 & 5 in the Kake area.

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Events Held in Yamaguchi Prefecture

Sun., May 1 – Thu., May 5

Hagiyaki (Hagi Ware) Festival はぎやき 萩焼まつり

TIME: 9:00am – 5:30pm

PLACE: *Hagi Shimin Taiikukan* (gymnasium), etc., Hagi City

ACCESS: From JR Hagi Station (JR Sanin Line), walking time to destination is 5 minutes..

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee 0838-25-3333

- ☐ *Hagiyaki* is a type of traditional pottery produced in Hagi City and one of the famous potteries of Japan. There will be various event areas such as a *hagiyaki* market and a pottery wheel experience.

Tue., May 3 & Wed., May 4

Tea Ceremony in Hagi はぎ だいちゃかい 萩・大茶会

TIME: 10:00am – 3:00pm ☆ Tea offering ceremony: May 3, from 9:30am onward

PLACE: *Hagi-jo Ato* (*Shizuki Koen Park*), *Kyu Asa Mouri-ke Hagi Yashiki Nagaya*, *Kyu Kubota House & Kumagaya House*, Hagi City

ACCESS: Take a bus from JR Hagi Station (JR Sanin Line) and get off at Hagi-jo Ato / Shizuki Koen Iriguchi. Walking time to destination: 2 minutes

FEE: ¥600 for tea ceremony

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee 0838-25-3139

- ☐ A *koto* (traditional Japanese harp) & *shakuhachi* (traditional Japanese bamboo flute) concert will be held.

Tue., May 3

The 14th Iwakuni Kusunoki Fireworks Festival

だい かいいわくに はなび
第14回岩国くすのき花火フェスティバル

TIME: Festival – 11:00am – 8:30pm / Fireworks Festival – From 7:30pm onward

PLACE: Around *Kusunoki Hiroba*, Kusunoki-cho, Iwakuni City

ACCESS: From JR Iwakuni Station (JR Sanyo Line), time to destination by bus is 20 min.

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee 090-6437-2215

Thu., May 5

Friendship Day 2016 にちべいしんぜん 日米親善デー

TIME: 7:00am – 4:00pm

PLACE: MCCS Iwakuni, Iwakuni City

ACCESS: Get on a shuttle bus to the venue or walk about 30 min. from JR Iwakuni Station (JR Sanyo Line).

INQUIRIES: Iwakuni Base 0827-79-1110 or 0827-21-4171

HP: <http://www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil/> Event HP: <http://friendship-day.net>

- ☐ This is the annual opening of the Iwakuni Base and this year is the 40th anniversary year. “The 40th Anniversary JMSDF (Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force) / MCAS Iwakuni Friendship Day 2016 Air Show” will be held. Various events will also be held on this day. Please check the event website for more information.

- ☐ There will be a security check at the entrance. You will be required to show your ID.

Wed., June 1 – Sat., September 10

Cormorant Fishing in Iwakuni きんたいきょう うかい 錦帯橋の鵜飼

TIME: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

PLACE: Nishiki-gawa River & Kintaikyo Bridge, Iwakuni City



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ACCESS: Get off at JR Iwakuni Station (JR Sanyo Line) and take a bus bound for Kintaikyo Bridge. Get off at Kintaikyo (a 20 min. bus ride).

PASSENGER FARE: Adults-¥2,000 Children-¥1,000

◇ The fare will be temporarily changed on August 6, the day of the fireworks festival.

RESERVATIONS & INQUIRIES: *Kintaikyo Ukai Office* 0827-28-2877

▣ Originating about 400 years ago, cormorant fishing under lit lanterns is a summer tradition in Iwakuni.

Other Event

Setouchi Triennale 2016

せとうちこくさいげいじゆつさい
瀬戸内国際芸術祭2016



DATES: ① **Spring:** Sun., March 20 — Sun., April 17

② **Summer:** Mon., July 18 – Sun., September 4

③ **Autumn:** Sat., October 8 – Sun., November 6

Finished

PLACE: Around the 12 Islands of the Seto Inland Sea (below), Takamatsu and Uno Naoshima

(Teshima, Megijima, Ogijima, Shodoshima, Oshima, Inujima, Shamijima (spring only),
Honjima (autumn only), Takamijima (autumn only), Awashima (autumn only),
Ibukijima (autumn only), Takamatsu & Uno Port

OFFICIAL URL: <http://setouchi-artfest.jp/en/>

◇ Please see this official homepage for more information such as ticket information and access to each island.

▣ This year is also the triennial international art festival. Please take this opportunity to enjoy art and the small islands of the Seto Inland Sea.



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