# Seasonal Event Information May 2018

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

# Events Held in Hiroshima City

Wednesdays between April 4 and December 26, 2018

J May 9, 16, 23 & 30; June 6, 13, 20 & 27

Hiroshima Kagura 広島県民文化センター「広島神楽」定期公演

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

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 <sup>2</sup> All non-reserved seats

Tickets will be sold from 5:00 pm on the performance date at the center. There are no advance tickets.

INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Kenmin Bunka Center 082-245-2311

#### Friday, April 27 – Sunday, May 6

### Meat Festival with World Beer and Gourmet Stadium 2018

## 肉 フェス with 世界 のビールとグルメスタジアム 2018

TIME: 10:00 am – 9:00 pm <sup>2</sup> Apr. 27 (Fri.), May 1 (Tue.) & 2 (Wed.): 11:00 am – 9:00 pm PLACE: The Open Space of the 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". <sup>2</sup> Food and drink will incur extra charges. INQUIRIES: Executive Committee (inside the Hiroshima TV building)

082-249-1218 (Mon. - Fri., 10 am - 6 pm)

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  You can enjoy various meat dishes, and beer from all over the world.

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

#### Thursday, May 3 – Saturday, May 5

### <u>The 42<sup>nd</sup> Hiroshima Flower Festival 第42回ひろしまフラワーフェスティバル</u>

TIME: From 11:00 am onward

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

ACCESS: Get off at the Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop, then walk for about 5 min.

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/

© Hiroshima's Sister/Friendship Cities Event, "Daegu Day (Korea)" will also be held at the Flower Festival venue.



### Thursday, May 3 – Saturday, May 5

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

EVENTS: w Daegu Madan J Enjoy Korean food! DATE & TIME: May 3 – 5 (11:00 am – 6:30 pm) VENUE: Near Hotel Sunroute Hiroshima
w Daegu Day memorial ceremony and stage performance DATE & TIME: May 3 (12:30 pm – 1:30 pm) VENUE: Stage CARNATION
PLACE: Hiroshima Flower Festival Venue, Naka-ku
ACCESS: Get off at Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop.
INQUIRIES: Kokusai Kouryu Kyouryoku Ka, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation 082-242-8879 E-mail: internat@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp

µ Special Concert µ DATE & TIME: Friday, May 4, from 6:30 pm onward VENUE: Elisabeth University of Music, Cecilia Hall, Nobori-machi, Naka-ku

ACCESS: From Kanayama-cho Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 4 minutes. TICKETS: Adults-¥2,000 University students and under ¥800 (150 seats) <sup>2</sup> all non-reserved seats INQUIRIES: *Hiroshima-ken Gassho Renmei* HP: http://www13.plala.or.jp/hca-/

#### Thursday, May 3 – Saturday, May 5

### Flower Festival Event by Guanajuato Cultural Exchange Delegation

### Visiting Hiroshima & Participating in the Flower Festival Event

### グアナファト文化交流団来広・フラワーフェスティバル参加

**PLACE:** Flower Festival Venue, Peace Memorial Park, Heiwa-Odori (Peace Boulevard), and surrounding areas

ACCESS: Get off at the Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop, then walk for about 5 min.

#### EVENTS: May 3: Parade

May 3 - 5: Stage performances, Mexican food stall

Performers: Estudiantuna (musical band) & El Torito (traditional dance company)

**INQUIRIES:** The Hiroshima Prefectural Office, *Kokusai Ka*, Kokusai Kouryu Group 082-513-2361 HP: http://www.pref.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/38/2018gto-bunka.html

© Hiroshima Prefecture established a Friendship Alliance with Guanajuato State, United Mexican States in 2015.

© Guanajuato Cultural Exchange Delegation will visit Hiroshima from May 1 to 9. Various cultural exchange events will be held not only in Hiroshima City but also Hatsukaichi City and Higashihiroshima City during their visit.

#### Saturday, May 5

<u>The 25<sup>th</sup> Traditional Japanese Instruments Concert at Fudoin</u> <sup>だい かい</sup> ふどういん ぶんかざいほ こぼうがく 第 25回 不動院 文化財保護邦楽 コンサート

**TIME:** From 12:30 pm onward **PLACE:** Fudoin Temple, Ushita-shin-machi, Higashi-ku **ACCESS:** Get off at *Astramline* Fudoin Station. **ADMISSION:** Free **INQUIRIES:** *Hiroshima Hougaku Renmei* Office 082-228-8693





#### Sunday, May 6 & 20

#### Hiroshima Minato Marché ひろしまみなとマルシェ

**TIME:** 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

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 market.

#### Sunday, May 13

Kenya Day ケニア DAY

**TIME:** 11:30 am – 4:30 pm

PLACE: CliP HIROSHIMA 1F, Event Space, Higashi Senda-machi, Naka-ku

ACCESS: From Takanobashi or Nisseki Byouin-mae Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 7 minutes.

ADMISSION: Free

**PROGRAMS:** Workshops, live performances & talk show (2 pm – 4 pm), Kenyan tea and goods sales, etc.

**INQUIRIES:** Kenya DAY Executive Committee 080-3547-5967 (Hamanaga)

#### Saturday, May 19

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**TIME:** Noon – 4:00 pm

**PLACE:** *Shinsui* Terrace (the opposite side of the A-bomb Dome), Otemachi, Naka-ku **ACCESS:** Get off at Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop.

INQUIRIES: Mizu no Miyako Hiroshima Suishin Kyougikai Office 082-504-2676

Call 082-504-0822 on the event day.

© This will be postponed until the following day if it rains on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### Sunday, May 20

### International Latin Festival 2018 in Hiroshima

<u>インターナショナルラテンフェスタ 2018 in 広覧</u>

**TIME:** 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

PLACE: CliP HIROSHIMA Event Space, Higashi Senda-machi, Naka-ku

ACCESS: From Takanobashi or Nisseki Byouin-mae Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 7 minutes.

INQUIRIES: CLIP HIROSHIMA 082-567-5011

#### Friday, May 25 – Sunday, May 27

LOHAS Festival Hiroshima 2018 ロハスフェスタ 広島 2018

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 5:00 pm <sup>2</sup> Entry allowed up to 4:30 pm. **PLACE:** The Open Space of the Former Municipal Baseball Stadium, Motomachi, Naka-ku **ACCESS:** Get off at Kamiya-cho-nishi or Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stops. **INQUIRIES:** LOHAS Festival Office 03-6427-1085 HP: http://lohasfesta.jp



#### Friday, May 25 – Sunday, May 27

### <u>Bantou Mitama Festival at Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine 万灯みたま 祭</u>

SCHEDULE: - May 26

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

- <u>May 27</u>

Children's *sumo* competition (takes place from 10:00 am onward.) *Kagura* performance (takes place from 7:00 pm onward.)

PLACE: Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, Motomachi, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** From Kamiya-cho-higashi Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 10 minutes.

**INQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine 082-221-5590

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  This is a festival to console the spirits of victims of war.

#### Sunday, May 27

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

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**TIME:** 1:00 pm – 3:40 pm

**PLACE:** *Hiroshima-shi Ryugakusei Kaikan*, 1-1 Nishi-kojin-machi, Minami-ku **ACCESS:** From JR Hiroshima Station (south exit), walking time to destination is 5 minutes. **ADMISSION:** Free

**PROGRAMS:** Free tasting of German sweets and sausages, a German music concert, etc. **INQUIRIES:** *Kokusai Kouryu Kyouryoku Ka*, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation 082-242-8879

#### Wednesday, May 30

## The 13<sup>th</sup> Sake Festival 2018 第 13回 日本酒燦々2018

#### **TIME:** 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

**PLACE:** Alice Garden, an open space in front of Hiroshima PARCO, Nishi-shintenchi, Naka-ku **ACCESS:** From Hatchobori Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 5 minutes. **TICKETS:** w "Free Tickets"\*: Advance-¥1,500 At the door-¥2,000

\*"Free Tickets": You can taste about 100 kinds of *sake* with this ticket (except the

premium *sake* tasting corner).

■ Tickets for five cups of *sake*-¥500 <sup>2</sup> Tickets will be available on the event day only. **INQUIRIES:** Yamatoya Shuho 082-241-5660

© You can taste various Japanese *sake* at this event.

#### Friday, June 1 – Sunday, June 3

#### Toukasan Festival とうかさん

**TIME:** Noon – 11:00 pm on June 1 & 2 / Noon – 10:00 pm on June 3 **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

© *Toukasan* is one of the biggest summer festivals in Hiroshima. Many people in y*ukata* (summer kimono) can be seen during the festival. Various stalls will be set up.

#### Sunday, June 3

# Hiroshima Castle Memorial Day 広島城 メモリアルデー

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

PLACE: Hiroshima Castle

ACCESS: • Take a Hiroshima sightseeing loop bus, "*meipuru~pu*" (orange line or lemon line) and get off at Hiroshima-jo Castle.



, From Kamiya-cho-higashi or Kamiya-cho-nishi Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 15 minutes.

ADMISSION FEE: Free admission on the day. INQUIRIES: Hiroshima Castle 082-221-7512

#### Sunday, June 3

### <u>Shoubu (Iris-viewing) Tea Ceremony</u>しょうぶ 茶会



**TIME:** 9:30 am - 3:00 pm PLACE: Shukkeien Garden

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

FEE: ¥1,200 for the tea ceremony

Admission fee for the garden (below) is also required.

Adults-¥260, University & High school students-¥150

Junior high & Elementary school students- ¥100

**INQUIRIES:** Shukkeien Garden 082-221-3620

#### Sunday, June 10

#### 曲植えまつり(茶会) Rice-Planting Festival & Tea Ceremony

TIME: Tea ceremony <sup>a</sup> 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

w Rice-planting demonstration, hayashi-da performance & nanjo dance performance will also be held. PLACE: Shukkeien Garden

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

FEE: ¥700 for tea ceremony

Admission fee for the garden (below) is also required.

Adults-¥260, University & High school students-¥150

Junior high & Elementary school students-¥100

**INQUIRIES:** Shukkeien Garden 082-221-3620

#### Thursday, July 19 – Wednesday, August 29

#### ピクサーアドベンチャー「もしも」から 始まる、 冒険の Pixar Adventure "What If"

世界

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 6:00 pm (entry allowed up to 5:30 pm.)

PLACE: NTT CRED Hall, Motomachi CRED Pacela 11F, Motomachi, Naka-ku

ACCESS: • Get off at the Astramline Kencho-mae Station.

, Get off at Kamiya-cho-higashi or Kamiya-cho-nishi Streetcar Stop.

TICKETS: w Advance: Junior high school students and above-¥1,000

4 years old – Elementary school students-¥500

W At the door: Junior high school students and above-¥1,200

4 years old – Elementary school students-¥600

<sup>2</sup> Admission free for children who are 3 years old and under

<sup>2</sup> Children under elementary school student age should be accompanied by aguardian.

**INQUIRIES:** TSS Office 082-253-1010 (weekdays, 10 am - 6 pm)

#### Friday, August 10 – Thursday, August 16

#### Tomica Land in Hiroshima トミカ 博 in Hiroshima

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm Entry allowed up to 3:30 pm.

PLACE: Hiroshima Kenritsu Hiroshima Sangyo Kaikan (Hiroshima Prefectural Industrial Exhibition Hall), West Exhibition Hall, Hijiyama, Minami-ku

ACCESS: From Minami Kuyakusho-mae Streetcar Stop, walking time to destination is 1 minute.

**TICKETS:** w Advance: Junior high school students and above-¥900

- 3 years old Elementary school students-¥700
- w At the door: Junior high school students and above-¥1,000
  - 3 years old Elementary school students-¥800
- Advance "guardian and child" family tickets (one adult and one child) will be sold for ¥1,500
- at Seven-Eleven between May 16 (from 10 am) and June 8 (until 11:59 pm).
- Admission free for children who are 2 years old and under
- **INQUIRIES:** RCC Broadcasting 082-222-1133 (weekdays, 10 am 5 pm)
- $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  "Tomica" are die-cast toy mini-cars for children produced by a Japanese company, Takara Tomy.
  - Tomica has remained a long-selling product since it appeared for the first time in 1970.

Tomica Land is a special play land where you can enjoy the whole world of "Tomica".

### **Events Held on Miyajima**

Until Friday., November 30

Zero Higashida Sculpture Exhibition

**TIME:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

PLACE: Inside Daishoin Temple ground, 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:** Daishoin Temple 0829-44-0111

#### Until Sunday, May 20

### Jusaburo Tsujimura Doll Exhibition: Taira no Kiyomori

っじむらじゅさぶろうにんぎょうてん たいらのきょもり 辻村寿三郎人形展「平清盛

**TIME:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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.

INQUIRIES: NPO Miyajima Network HP: http://miyajimanetwork.com/

© Jusaburo Tsujimura is a famous doll maker from Miyoshi City, Hiroshima Prefecture.

#### Until Sunday, May 6

<u>Daishoin Temple Satsuki (Azalea) Festival</u> 大聖院 さつき 祭り

**TIME:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm **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.

**INQUIRIES:** Daishoin Temple 0829-44-0111

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  Exhibition of temple treasures, calligraphy by virtuous monks and flower arrangements.

#### Thursday, May 3

### Annual Celebration at Awashima Shrine

ぁゎしまじんじゃれいさい \_\_\_粟島 神社 例祭

ゼロ・ヒガシダ 展

TIME: From 11:00 am 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.

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**INQUIRIES:** Itsukushima Shrine 0829-44-2020

© This is the annual celebration of "Awashima-san", also known as the guardian deity of women.

#### Friday, May 18

Ritual Ceremony for Empress Suiko & Bugaku 推古 天皇祭遙拝式

TIME: From 9:00 am 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.

#### Wednesday, May 23

BOZ24 ~in the rhythm of OKYO (Buddhist chant) ~ BOZ24 仏 響の 祭典. TIME: From 11:00 am onward

**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

#### Saturday, May 26

#### Tsutomu Arao Heike Biwa (Japanese lute) Concert

あらまつとむ きょもり ゆめ へいきょくけいき しゅうねんきねんえんそうかい 荒尾 努「清盛の夢~平曲 継起 20周年 記念演奏会」

**TIME:** 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

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.

TICKETS: Advance-¥3,000 At the door-¥3,500

Please contact the concert organizer for ticket information.

INQUIRIES: Executive Committee 090-8723-2326

### Events Held Outside of Hiroshima City

#### Thursday, May 3 – Sunday, May 27

Tomonoura Tai-ami (Traditional Fish-catching) 新の浦観光鯛網

TIME: Monday – Saturday: From 1:30 pm onward

Sundays & national holidays: j From 10:30 am onward k From 1:30 pm onward **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

- <sup>2</sup> You can ride a ferry to the island without charge if you show your ticket for the event.
- <sup>2</sup> Tickets will be sold at the ferry landing during the event period.

J Tickets including bus fare\* are also available.

High school students and up - ¥3,300

Junior high and Elementary school students - ¥1,650

\*Round trip tickets are from JR Fukuyama Station to Tomonoura

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**INQUIRIES:** Fukuyama 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.

#### Thursday, May 3 & Friday, May 4

### Takehara Take (Bamboo) Festival たけはら 竹まつり

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**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:** Takehara City *Kanko Kyoukai* (Tourist Association) 0846-22-4331

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

#### Thursday, May 3 – Sunday, May 6

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Miyoshi Wine Festival 着の 兰次 ワイン 祭

**TIME:** 10:30 am – 4:00 pm

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

© Various events will be held.

#### Tue., May 8

### <u>Hana Matsuri at Tounji Temple</u>洞雲寺の花祭り

TIME: Ritual - From 10:00 am onward

PLACE: Tounji Temple, Hatsukaichi City

**ACCESS:** From JR Hatsukaichi Station (JR Sanyo Line), walking time to destination is 10 minutes. **INQUIRIES:** Tounji Temple 0829-31-2461

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  This is a ceremony to celebrate Buddha's birthday.

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  Tounji Marché will also be held from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on the day.

#### Sat., May 12

### <u>The 27<sup>th</sup> Onomichi Noh Performance</u> 第 27回 尾道 薪 能

TIME: 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm <sup>2</sup> The venue will open at 5:00 pm

PLACE: Jodo-ji Temple, Amida-do, Onomichi City

**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Onomichi Station (JŘ Sanyo Line) and get off Jodo-ji-shita (a 10 min. bus ride). **TICKETS:** Advance: Adults - ¥3,000 University students - ¥1,000

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

<sup>2</sup> Free admission for high school students and under

Advance tickets are sold at Fukuya Department Stores (Hatchobori & Hiroshima Station) and EDION Hiroshima Play Guide (SUNMALL, 1F) in Hiroshima City.

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INQUIRIES: Onomichi Kanko Kyokai (Tourist Association) 0848-36-5495

Executive Committee 080-6344-3360 (Kajikawa)

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  Noh is a traditional Japanese performing art.

#### Sunday, May 13

**TIME:** Buddhist Rites: 11:00 am – noon / Tea Ceremony: Noon – 3:00 pm **PLACE:** Kosanji Temple & Kosanji Temple Museum, Onomichi City

ACCESS: • 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 Kosanji.

Please note that reservations are required to take a "Shimanami Liner". Call the Hiroko Reservation Center (082-238-3344) for more information (9 am – 6 pm; open every day).

 $\,\,{\rm k}\,$  Get on a ferry from Mihara Port or Onomichi Port and get off at Setoda Port. Walking time to destination is 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-¥800

Junior high school students and under-Free Seniors (65 years old and above)-¥1,200 INQUIRIES: Kosanji Temple & Kosanji Temple Museum 0845-27-0800

 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$  Carnations will be given away for free from 9:00 am on the event day.

#### Sunday, May 13

### O-hanataue (Rice-Planting Festival) 大花田植

TIME: From 10:30 am onward

PLACE: Oasa Narutaki Roten Onsen, Kitahiroshima-cho

- ACCESS: j Take an express bus from JR Hiroshima Station (*Shinkansen* Exit) and get off at Oasa I.C. From Oasa I.C., time to destination by taxi is 7 minutes.
  - $\, k\,$  From Oasa I.C. on the Hamada Expressway, driving time to destination is 7 minutes.

INQUIRIES: Oasa Narutaki Roten Onsen 0826-82-3773

© This rice-planting performance, "Shinjo no hayashida", is designated as an Important Intangible 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.

#### Saturday, May 19 & Sunday, May 20

The 51<sup>st</sup> Fukuyama Rose Festival 2018 第51回福山ばら祭2018

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:** *Fukuyama Matsuri linkai* 084-944-5515

© *Fukuyama Daidougei* (Street Performance) Festival 2018 will also be held on May 19 & 20 at Fukuyama City central area (INQUIRIES: *Fukuyama Daidougei* Office 080-6323-1755).

#### Sunday, May 20

Hatsuka-no-ichi Market 出っかの市

TIME: 8:00 am - 11:30 am

PLACE: The open Space in front of Hatsukaichi City Hall, Hatsukaichi City

ACCESS: From Hatsukaichi Shiyakusho-mae (Hiroden Streetcar Miyajima Line), walking time to destination is 5 minutes.

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

#### Saturday, May 26

#### Satsuki Senbatsu Kagura Performance 2018

せんぱつ だい かいひろしまけんほくぶかくらきょうえんたいかい かくら さつき 選抜 2018 第 26回 広島県 北部 神楽 競演 大会 in 神楽 ドーム

**TIME:** From 1:00 pm onward (The venue will open at 10:30 am.)

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

ACCESS: j 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

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shuttle bus to Toji-mura.

Reservations are required for both taxi and shuttle bus.

k From Takata I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, driving time to destination 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 Non-reserved seats: Advance: Adults-¥1,500 \*Children-¥700

At the door: Adults-¥1,800 \*Children-¥900

After 5 pm: Adults-¥1,200 \*Children-¥600

\*Children = Junior high & elementary school students

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

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

#### Saurday, May 26

#### 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:** 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

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 following day if it rains heavily on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

#### Saturday, May 26 & Sunday, May 27

### Mihara Satsuki Festival 三原 さつき 祭り

PLACE: Around *Miyaura* Park, Mihara City

ACCESS: Get off at JR Mihara Station (JR Sanyo Line), then take a shuttle bus to *Miyaura* Park or walk for 15 min.

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0848-62-6155

Friday, June 1 – Monday, September 10

# <u>Cormorant Fishing in Miyoshi</u> = 次の鵜飼

**TIME:** 7:30 pm – 8:30 pm (Excursion will be canceled if it rains heavily.)

Please come to the reception by 7:00 pm.

PLACE: Tokaichi Shinsui Koen (Park), Miyoshi City

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

#### PASSENGER FARE:

<sup>®</sup> <u>Sunday – Thursday</u>: Junior high school students and above-¥3,000

Elementary school students-¥1,500

- Please note that passenger fares are different on Fridays and Saturdays, and reservations are required.
- Reservations will not be accepted on some event days (cormorant fishing festival in June and Miyoshi fireworks festival in August).

**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.



#### Saturday, June 2

### <u>The 39<sup>th</sup> Chugoku Region Kagura Performance</u>

だり かいちゅうごくち ほうせんばつか くらきょうえんたいかい 第39回 中国 地方 選抜 神楽 競演 大会

**TIME:** 11:30 pm – 11:00 pm (the venue will open at 10:00 am.)

PLACE: Togouchi Fureai Center, Akiota-cho

 ACCESS: • From Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F), take a bus bound for Sandankyo and get off at Akiota-cho Yakuba-mae. Walking time to destination is 1 minute.
 From Togouchi I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, driving time to destination is 5 minutes.

, From Togouchi I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, driving time to destination 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

<sup>2</sup> Advance tickets are sold at *Hiroshima Yume Plaza* on Hondori Shopping Street.

INQUIRIES: Akiota-cho Shoko Kai 0826-28-2504

#### June 2 (Sat.), 3 (Sun.), 9 (Sat.) & 10 (Sun.)

Annual Open House at Yoshimizuen Garden 吉水園一般公開

**TIME:** 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

PLACE: Yoshimizuen Garden, Kake, Akiota-cho

**ACCESS:** From Togouchi I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway, driving time to destination is 15 minutes. **ADMISSION FEE:** 15 years old and above-¥200, 14 years old and under-Free

**INQUIRIES:** *Michi no Eki Raimu Togouchi* (Akiota-cho Tourist Association) 0826-28-1800

© *Kake Kagura* performance will be held at Nagao Shrine, Akiota-cho from 11:30 pm on June 2 and 3 (free admission). Other events will also be held on June 2 and 3 in the Kake area.

#### Sunday, June 3

### <u>Mibu-no Hanataue (Rice-Planting Festival) in Kitahiroshima-cho 主堂の花</u>

### たうえ田植

TIME: w Michi-yuki (parade) - From 10:50 am onward

WRice-planting – From 2:00 pm onward

- PLACE: w Michi-yuki (parade) From Mibu Shopping Street to the special venue for rice-planting w 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 is 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 Intangible 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.

#### ▼ Kagura Performance ▼

DATE & TIME: Sunday, June 3 From 9:00 am onward (doors will open at 8:30 am.)

VENUE: Chiyoda Kaihatsu Center, Kitahiroshima-cho, Yamagata-gun

TICKETS: Adults: Advance-¥1,200 At the door-¥1,500

Junior high and Elementary school students-¥500 (day-of-performance tickets only) Preschoolers-Free

Advance tickets are sold at *Hiroshima Yume Plaza* on the Hondori Shopping Street. Or, you can reserve advance tickets by phone. Please call *Kitahiroshima-cho* Tourist Association (0826-72-6908) for more information.

### Events Held in Yamaguchi Prefecture

### Thursday, May 3

### The 16<sup>th</sup> Iwakuni Kusunoki Fireworks Festival

第 16回 岩国 くすのき 花火 フェスティバル

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

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

ACCESS: From JR Iwakuni Station (JR Sanyo Line), time to destination by bus is 10 minutes.

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0827-21-0643

© This will be cancelled or postponed if it rains heavily on the day.

#### Saturday, May 5

### The 42<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary JMSDF/MCAS Iwakuni Friendship Day 2018

だい かいかいじょうじえいたい べいかいへいたいいわくにこうくうき ち 第42回 海上 自衛隊 /米 海兵隊 岩国 航空 基地 フレンドシップデー2018

TIME: 7:00 am − 5:00 pm (entry allowed up to 2:00 pm) / Air Show: 10:00 am − 4:30 pm The entrance gate open hours: 7:00 am − 2:00 pm for pedestrians and bicycles 6:00 am − 1:00 pm for buses

PLACE: MCCS Iwakuni, Iwakuni City

ACCESS: Get on a shuttle bus (one way fare: adults-¥400 / children-¥200) to the venue or walk about 30 minutes from JR Iwakuni Station (JR Sanyo Line).

**INQUIRIES:** Iwakuni Base 0827-79-6227 or 0827-79-5551

HP: http://www.mcasiwakuni.marines.mil/ Event HP: http://friendship-day.net/ Kankou Shinkou Ka, Iwakuni City Hall 0827-29-5116

© This is the annual opening of the Iwakuni Base. 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 with a photo (e.g.

driver's license, passport, resident card (for foreign nationals), etc.)

#### Friday, June 1 – Monday, September 10

#### Cormorant Fishing in Iwakuni 錦帯橋の 鵜飼

**TIME:** 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

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

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 4, the day of the fireworks festival. **RESERVATIONS & INQUIRIES:** 

Iwakuni City Kanko Kyokai (Tourist Association) & Ukai Office 0827-28-2877

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

