

# Seasonal Event Information

## May 2019

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

### Events Held in Hiroshima City



#### The 6<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> of Every Month

#### Talk with A-bomb Survivors 「6」のつく日 語り部さんとお話ししよう!

**TIME:** 11:00 am – 5:00 pm Story telling: ① 1:00 pm ② 3:00 pm

**PLACE:** Social Book Café Hachidorisha, Dobashi-cho, Naka-ku

**DIRECTIONS:** 5 minutes' walk from Dobashi-cho streetcar stop.

**FEE:** Free admission ✧ You need to order at least one drink per person.

**ENQUIRIES:** Social Book Café Hachidorisha 082-576-4368 E-mail: hachidorisha@gmail.com

☐ This is not like a lecture, but a casual talk with A-bomb survivors. You can talk with A-bomb survivors in English on the 6<sup>th</sup> of every month.

#### ★ Social Book Café Hachidorisha ★

OPEN HOURS: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 3:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Saturday, Sunday, national holidays: 11:00 am – midnight

The 6<sup>th</sup>, the 16<sup>th</sup> & the 26<sup>th</sup> of every month: Open from 11:00am

CLOSED: Mondays & Tuesdays

#### Sundays, May 5 & 19

#### 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 Terminals of Hiroshima Port, Minami-ku

**DIRECTIONS:** Get off at Hiroshima Port streetcar stop.

**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Minato Marché Office 082-255-6646

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

#### Wednesdays between April 3 and December 25, 2019

❖ May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29; June 5, 12, 19 & 26

#### Hiroshima Kagura ひろしまけんみんぶんか 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 (Doors will open at 6pm.)

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

**DIRECTIONS:** 3 minutes' walk from Kamiya-cho-nishi or Hondori streetcar stop.

**TICKETS:** ¥1,200 ✧ Seats cannot be reserved.

✧ Tickets will be sold from 5:40 pm on the performance date at the center.

Numbered tickets needed to buy performance tickets will be distributed from 4:30 pm at the center (1F, lobby). There are no advance tickets.

**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Kenmin Bunka Center 082-245-2311

#### Saturday, April 27 – Monday, May 6

#### Railway Toy Park てつどう 鉄道おもちゃ体験博

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 5:00 pm ✧ May 6: 10 am – 4 pm

✧ Entry allowed up to 30 minutes before closing time.

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

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**DIRECTIONS:** Get off at Minami Kuyakusho-mae streetcar stop.

**TICKETS:** ♦ Advance: Junior high school students and above-¥800

3 years old – Elementary school students-¥600

♦ At the door: Junior high school students and above-¥1,000

3 years old – Elementary school students-¥800

◇ Advance tickets are sold at EDION *Hoten* (SUNMALL, 1F), Fukuya Department Store (Hiroshima Station Shop), *Alpark* Tenmaya, Lawson, Ticket PIA, Seven-Eleven, e+

**ENQUIRIES:** HOME Event Center 082-221-7116 (weekdays, 10 am – 5 pm)

**Thursday, May 2 – Monday, May 6**

## Gyoza (dumplings) Festival with World Beer and Gourmet Stadium 2019

ぎょうざ フェス with 世界のビールとグルメスタジアム 2019

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 9:00 pm ◇ May 2: Noon – 9:00 pm

**PLACE:** The open space of the former Municipal Baseball Stadium, Motomachi, Naka-ku

**DIRECTIONS:** Get off at Kamiya-cho-nishi or Genbaku Dome-mae streetcar stops.

**ADMISSION FEE:** Free ◇ Food and drink will incur extra charges.

**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima TV Event information Center 082-567-2500 (weekdays, 10 am – 6 pm)

☐ You can enjoy various gyoza dishes, and beer from all over the world.

☐ Remember, no driving if you drink alcohol.

**Friday, May 3 – Sunday, May 5**

## The 43<sup>rd</sup> Hiroshima Flower Festival だい かい 第43回 ひろしまフラワーフェスティバル

**TIME:** From 11:00 am onward

**PLACE:** Peace Memorial Park, Peace Boulevard (*Heiwa Ōdon*) and more.

**DIRECTIONS:** 5 minutes' walk from Genbaku Dome-mae streetcar stop

**EVENTS:** May 3: Opening ceremony, parade

May 4: Stage performances

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

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

**ENQUIRIES:** 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 (see below).

**Friday, May 3 – Sunday, May 5**

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

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 ★ Daegu is a city in Korea

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

DATE & TIME: May 3 – 5, 11:00 am – 6:30 pm

VENUE: Near Hotel Sunroute Hiroshima

♦ Daegu Day memorial ceremony and stage performance

DATE & TIME: May 3, 1:00 pm – 1:45 pm

VENUE: Stage CARNATION

**PLACE:** The same venue as the Hiroshima Flower Festival, Naka-ku

**DIRECTIONS:** Get off at Genbaku Dome-mae streetcar stop.

**ENQUIRIES:** International Relations and Cooperation Division, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation

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**May 11 (Sat.), 12 (Sun.), 18 (Sat.) & 25 (Sat.)****An Evening of Kagura** よ かがら こうえん  
夜 神楽 公演**TIME:** ◆ Kagura Performance: 7:00 pm – 7:45 pm (The venue will open at 6:30 pm.)

◆ Q&amp;A and Photo Session: From 7:45 pm onwards

**VENUE:** YMCA Kokusai Bunka Hall, Hatchobori, Naka-ku**DIRECTIONS:** 3 minutes' walk from Tatemachi streetcar stop.**TICKETS:** Adults-¥1,000 Students-¥500 For groups of 10 or more-¥800

◇ Admission free for children 3 and under (they should be seated on a parent or guardian's lap.)

◇ Tickets will be sold from 6:30 pm on the day of performance at the venue. There are no advance tickets.

**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Interpreter & Guide Association 080-3731-4804 (10:00 am – 5:00 pm)HP: <http://www.hiroshima-kagura.com>**Saturday, May 18****Brass Band Festival** みずべ  
水辺 の コンサート すいそうがく  
吹奏 楽 フェスティバル**TIME:** Noon – 4:00 pm**PLACE:** Shinsui Terrace (the riverside opposite the A-Bomb Dome), Otemachi, Naka-ku**DIRECTIONS:** Get off at Genbaku Dome-mae Streetcar Stop.**ENQUIRIES:** 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 18<sup>th</sup>.**Friday, May 24 – Sunday, May 26****Bantou Mitama Festival at Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine** ばんとう  
万灯 みたま まつり  
みたま 祭**SCHEDULE:** • May 25

7:00 pm onwards: Miko-odori, a dance performance by one hundred unmarried women dressed as miko (female shrine attendants)

• May 26

10:00 am onwards: Children's sumo competition

7:00 pm onwards: Kagura performance

**PLACE:** Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, Motomachi, Naka-ku**DIRECTIONS:** 10 minutes' walk from Kamiya-cho-higashi streetcar stop.**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine 082-221-5590

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

**Fridays, May 31 & June 28****OSAKE ~ Shall we drink "sake" in Hiroshima? ~****TIME:** 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm ◇ Reception will be closed at 6:30 pm.**PLACE:** Hiroshima Museum of Art, Motomachi, Naka-ku**DIRECTIONS:** 5 minutes' walk from Kamiya-cho-higashi streetcar stop.**EVENTS & PARTICIPATION FEE:** ★ **Museum admission fee will also be required.**

◇ Japanese Culture Experience:

◆ Shodo (Japanese calligraphy) on May 31: ¥500

◆ Sado (Japanese-style tea ceremony) on June 28: ¥500

◇ Tasting of Japanese sake: ¥1,000 / 3 cups ◇ Soft drinks will also be prepared for minors.

◇ Wearing kimono: Adults-¥2,000 Children-¥1,000

**ENQUIRIES:** Chugoku Shimbun 082-236-2244 E-mail: [osake\\_hiroshima@c-kikaku.co.jp](mailto:osake_hiroshima@c-kikaku.co.jp)

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**Sunday, June 2****Hiroshima's Sister/Friendship Cities Event: Hannover Day**

しまい ゆうこうとし ひ きねん イベント ハノーバーの日 ★ Hannover is a city in Germany

**TIME:** 11:00 am – 3:00 pm**PLACE:** Ninoshima Community Hall (*kominkan*) and around the hall, Ninoshima Island, Minami-ku**DIRECTIONS:** Get on a ferry to Ninoshima Island from Hiroshima Port.**ADMISSION:** Free**ATTRACTIONS:** Free tasting of German sweets and sausages, a German music concert, and more!**ENQUIRIES:** International Relations and Cooperation Division, Hiroshima Peace Culture Foundation082-242-8879 E-mail: [internat@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp](mailto:internat@pcf.city.hiroshima.jp)**Sunday, June 2****Shoubu (Iris-viewing) Tea Ceremony** しょうぶ ちやかい 茶会**TIME:** 10:00 am – 3:00 pm**PLACE:** Shukkeien Garden**DIRECTIONS:** 5 minutes' walk from Shukkeien-mae streetcar stop.**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 )

**ENQUIRIES:** Shukkeien Garden 082-221-3620**Sunday, June 2****Hiroshima Castle Memorial Day** ひろしまじょう 広島城 メモリアルデー**TIME:** 10:00 am – 4:00 pm**PLACE:** Hiroshima Castle**DIRECTIONS:** ① Take the Orange or Lemon route of “*meipuru~pu*”, Hiroshima's sightseeing loop bus, and get off at Hiroshima Castle.

② 15 minutes' walk from Kamiya-cho-higashi or Kamiya-cho-nishi streetcar stop.

**ADMISSION FEE:** Free admission on the day.**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Castle 082-221-7512**Sunday, June 2****Hiroshima Rosoku Takiginoh** ひろしまろうそくたぎぎのう 広島 蠟燭 薪能**TIME:** 5:45 pm ◇ The venue will open at 5:00 pm.**PLACE:** Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, *Noh* stage, Motomachi, Naka-ku**DIRECTIONS:** 10 minutes' walk from Kamiya-cho-higashi streetcar stop.**TICKETS:** SS-¥13,000 S-¥10,000 A-¥8,000 B-¥5,000◇ Advance tickets are sold at Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, EDION Hiroshima, *Hon-kan* (SUNMALL, 1F), *Fukuya* Department Store (Hiroshima Station) and Chugoku Shimbun.**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine 082-221-5590 (9:00 am – 5:00 pm)▣ *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 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please check the shrine's website (<http://www.h-gokoku.or.jp>) or call the shrine (082-221-5590) about the venue.**Friday, June 7 – Sunday, June 9****Toukasan Festival** とうかさん**TIME:** Noon – 11:00 pm on June 7 & 8 / Noon – 10:00 pm on June 9**PLACE:** Enryuji Temple and around *Chuo-dori* Street, Naka-ku**DIRECTIONS:** 5 minutes' walk from Hatchobori streetcar stop.

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**ENQUIRIES:** Enryuji Temple 082-241-7420

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

**Saturday, July 27 – Sunday, September 8**

## **teamLab: “Future Park” and “Animals of Flowers, Symbiotic Lives”**

チームラボ★学<sup>まな</sup>ぶ! 未来<sup>みらい</sup>の遊園地<sup>ゆうえんち</sup>と、花<sup>はな</sup>と共<sup>とも</sup>に生<sup>い</sup>きる動物達<sup>どうぶつたち</sup>

**TIME:** 10:00 am – 8:00 pm (entry allowed up to 7:30 pm.)

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

**DIRECTIONS:** ① Get off at the *Astramline* Kencho-mae station.

② Get off at Kamiya-cho-higashi or Kamiya-cho-nishi streetcar stop.

**TICKETS:** Advance: Adults-¥1,200 Senior & junior high school students-¥800

Elementary school students – 3 years old-¥500 2 years old and under-Free

At the door: Adults-¥1,400 Senior & junior high school students-¥1,000

Elementary school students – 3 years old-¥600 2 years old and under-Free

✧ Elementary school students and under should be accompanied by parents or guardians.

**ENQUIRIES:** teamLab website (<https://futurepark.teamlab.art/places/credhiroshima>)

## **Events Held on Miyajima**

◆ Please check the Miyajima Tourist Association's website for more information.

Website: <http://www.miyajima.or.jp/english>

**Saturday, April 27 – Monday, May 6**

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

**TIME:** 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

**PLACE:** Daishoin Temple, Miyajima

**DIRECTIONS:** 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.

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

▣ Exhibition of temple treasures and more.

**Friday, May 3**

## **Annual Celebration at Awashima Shrine** あわしまじんじやれいさい 粟島神社 例祭

**TIME:** From 11:00 am onward

**PLACE:** Awashima Shrine, Miyajima

**DIRECTIONS:** 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.

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

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

**Saturday, May 11**

## **Live Concert at Daishoin Temple, “*Ote-live*”**

オテライブ! しんりよくそつきやうおんがくえまき 新緑 即興 音楽 絵巻 vol. 1

**TIME:** ① 3:00 pm – 4:00pm ② 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

**PLACE:** Daishoin Temple, Miyajima

**DIRECTIONS:** 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.

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

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**Saturday, May 18****Ritual Ceremony for Empress *Suiko* & *Bugaku***すいこてんのうさいようはいしき  
推古天皇祭遙拝式**TIME:** From 9:00 am onwards**PLACE:** Itsukushima Shrine, Miyajima**DIRECTIONS:** 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**ENQUIRIES:** 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****May 3 (Fri.) – 26 (Sun.)****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:** Monday – Saturday: 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm

Sundays &amp; national holidays: ① 10:30 am – 11:50 am ② 1:30 pm – 2:50 pm

**PLACE:** Sensui Island, Tomo-cho, Fukuyama City**DIRECTIONS:** 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 above - ¥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.

High school students and above - ¥3,300

Junior high and elementary school students - ¥1,650

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

**ENQUIRIES:** Fukuyama Convention and Visitors Association 084-926-2649☐ *Tai-ami*, net-fishing of porgy, is a traditional fish-catching method which has a history of 380 years.**Friday, May 3 – Sunday, May 5****Miyoshi Wine Festival**はる みよし まつり  
春の三次ワイン祭**TIME:** 10:30 am – 4:00 pm**PLACE:** Hiroshima Miyoshi Winery, Miyoshi City**DIRECTIONS:** Take a bus from JR Miyoshi Station (JR Geibi Line) and get off at Hiroshima Miyoshi Winery.**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Miyoshi Winery 0824-64-0200**Saturday, May 11****The 28<sup>th</sup> Onomichi *Noh* Performance**だい かいおのみちたきぎのう  
第28回尾道薪能**TIME:** 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm ◇ The venue will open at 5:00 pm**PLACE:** Jodo-ji Temple, Amida-do, Onomichi City**DIRECTIONS:** Take a bus from JR Onomichi Station (JR Sanyo Line) and get off Jodo-ji-shita.**TICKETS:** Advance: Adults - ¥3,000 University students - ¥1,000

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

◇ 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.**ENQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 080-6344-3360 (Kajikawa)☐ *Noh* is a traditional Japanese performing art.

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**Sunday, May 12****Buddhist Rites for Mother's Day and Tea Ceremony**よ 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: 11:00 am – noon / Tea Ceremony: Noon – 3:00 pm**PLACE:** Kosanji Temple & Kosanji Temple Museum, Onomichi City**DIRECTIONS:**

- ① Take an express bus “*Shimanami Liner*” express bus from Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F) and get off at Setoda bus stop. 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 (9:30 am – 6 pm; open every day).
- ② Get on a ferry from Mihara Port or Onomichi Port and get off at Setoda Port. It is 10 minutes' walk from there.

**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+)-¥1,200

**ENQUIRIES:** Kosanji Temple & Kosanji Temple Museum 0845-27-0800

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

**Saturday, May 18 & Sunday, May 19****The 52<sup>nd</sup> Fukuyama Rose Festival 2019**だい かいふくやま まつり  
第52回 福山ばら祭 2019**TIME:** 10:00 am – 6:00 pm on May 18, and 10:00 am – 5:00 pm on May 19**PLACE:** Bara Koen (“Rose Park”), Midori-machi Koen (park), Chuo Koen (park) and Fukuyama City central area**DIRECTIONS:** 20 minutes' walk from JR Fukuyama Station (JR Sanyo Line).**ENQUIRIES:** *Fukuyama Matsuri linkai* 084-944-5515☐ *Fukuyama Daidougei* (Street Performance)2019 will also be held on May 18 & 19 at Fukuyama City central area (ENQUIRIES: *Fukuyama Daidougei* Office 080-6323-1755).**Saturday, May 25****Satsuki Senbatsu Kagura Performance 2019**せんばつ かぐらきょうえん  
さつき 選抜 2019 神楽 競演たいかい  
大会**TIME:** From 1:00 pm onwards (The venue will open at 11:00 am.)**PLACE:** Kagura Monzen Toji-mura, Kagura Dome, Midori-cho, Akitakata City**DIRECTIONS:** 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 7 minutes' drive by car from Takata I.C. on the Chugoku Expressway.

**TICKETS (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 &amp; elementary school students

◇ Tickets for 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 more information.

◇ Permission to use a camera - ¥2,000

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

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**Saturday, May 25****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**DIRECTIONS:** 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).**ENQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 084-928-1042☐ This will be postponed until the following day if it rains heavily on the 25<sup>th</sup>.**Saturday, May 25 & Sunday, May 26****The 28<sup>th</sup> Mihara Satsuki Festival** だい かい み はら まつ  
**第28回三原さつき祭り****TIME:** 10:00 am – 5:00 pm on May 25, and 9:00 am- 4:00 pm on May 26**PLACE:** Around Miyaura Park, Mihara City**DIRECTIONS:** Get off at JR Mihara Station (JR Sanyo Line), then take a shuttle bus to Miyaura Park or walk for 15 minutes.**ENQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0848-62-6155**Sunday, June 2****Mibu-no Hanataue (Rice-Planting Festival) in Kitahiroshima-cho** みぶ はな  
**壬生の花**たうえ  
**田植****TIME:** ♦ *Michi-yuki* (parade) – From 10:50 am onwards

♦ Rice-planting – From 2:00 pm onwards

**PLACE:** *Michi-yuki* (parade) – From Mibu Shopping Street to the event venue**DIRECTIONS:** Take an express bus bound for Miyoshi / Shobara from Hiroshima Bus Center (Sogo Hiroshima Department Store, 3F) and get off at Chiyoda I.C. 10 minutes' walk from the bus stop.**ENQUIRIES:** Kitahiroshima-cho 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 &amp; TIME: Sunday, June 2 From 9:00 am onwards

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

TICKETS: Adults- ¥1,500 High school students and under-Free

***Events Held in Yamaguchi Prefecture*****Sunday, May 5****The 43<sup>rd</sup> Friendship Day 2019** だい かい にち べい しん ぜん  
**第43回日米親善デー（フレンドシップデー）****2019****TIME:** 7:00 am – 4:30 pm (entry allowed up to 2:00 pm)

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◇ Air Show: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**PLACE:** Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Iwakuni, Iwakuni City

**DIRECTIONS:** 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).

**🚌 Shuttle bus operating hours**

- ◆ JR Iwakuni Station ⇒ MCAS Iwakuni, 6:10 am – 1:00 pm
- ◆ MCAS Iwakuni ⇒ JR Iwakuni Station, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

**ENQUIRIES:** MCAS Iwakuni 0827-79-5551

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

Kankou Shinkou Ka, Iwakuni City Hall 0827-29-5116

▣ Every year during this event, MCAS Iwakuni is opened to the public. 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))

**Saturday, June 1 – Tuesday, September 10**

## **Cormorant Fishing in Iwakuni**

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錦帯橋の鵜飼

**TIME:** 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

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

**DIRECTIONS:** 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 3, the day of the fireworks festival.

**RESERVATIONS & ENQUIRIES:** Iwakuni City Tourist Association & Ukai Office 0827-28-2877

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



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