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# SAKURAJIMA

# - One Day Trip from The City -



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Sakurajima is one of the symbols of their hometown for people from Kagoshima. It is a landmark here and people who live somewhere else think of Sakurajima when they think of Kagoshima.

The active volcano encourages people with its imposing spectacle.

Kuniomi Hirano (a samurai at the end of the Edo period) wrote a poem which compares the smoke from the mountain and his passion for Imperialism and exclusionism.

Tsuyoshi Nagabuchi (major singer from Kagoshima) sings about looking at Sakurajima, and the mountain makes his heart hot. In the song, lyrics start with the scenery of Kinko bay sunset and going across the sea by the ferry.

This month we feature Sakurajima, the mountain loved by people and which encourages them.





From Sarkurajima Ferry Terminal it takes only 15 minutes to Sakurajima Port!

The 3.4km sailing makes you relax and you will start enjoying your holiday. They sell udon and soba noodles (400 yen ~ 550 yen), onigiri (rice ball / 200 yen) and inari-zushi (200 yen) in the ferry. Those noodles are popular among local people. Eating on the ferry looking at Sakurajima and Kinko bay makes them more tasty? However, you have only 15 minutes on the ferry, so enjoy the sailing in your own way.

Sakurajima Dinosaur Park ©Tsukiyomi Shieryunohira Observatory ©Kurokami ∽Michi-no Eki &akurajima 4 Sakurajima Visitor Cente Buried Shrine Gate "Hi-no Shima Megumi-kan" 1 Yogan Nagisa Trail Karasujima Observatory Monument of Arimura Observatory Fumiko Havashi 220 To Tarumizu

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# Sakurajima Ferry Information

Sakurajima Ferry runs all day; every 10 ~ 15 minutes in the day time, every 30 minutes at night (after 20:30) and every hour in the middle of the night.

Ferry Port: 4-1 Honko-shinmachi, Kagoshima city (Right near the Kagoshima Aquarium)

Fee (One way): Adults 150 yen / Children 80 yen

Cars 3m ~ 4m 1,070 yen 4m ~ 5m 1,480 yen

5m ~ 6m 1,830 yen

Tel: 099-223-7271



National Holiday

November

3 (Sat)

Bunka-no-hi 23 (Fri) Kinro Kansha-no-hi 文化の日

Culture Day

勤労感謝の日 Labor Thanksgiving Day

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# AKI-no KI-ICHI (AUTUMN PLANT MARKET)

The annual event which is alive with lots of visitors, and stalls selling plants, seedlings, vegetables, pets and other things. [Events]

Consultation About Gardening (花と緑の相談所) November 3 (Sat) & 10 (Sat) 10:00 ~ 15:00 A Raffle for Children (子ども感謝デー) November 10 (Sat)

A Raffle for Customers (お客様感謝抽選会) Customers who spent more than 3,000 yen at the plant market will be given raffle

October 14 (Sun) ~ November 15 (Thu) Date: October 14 (Sun) ~ November 15 (Thu)

Time: 10:00 ~ 17:00 The bank of Kotsuki river, Place: Kagoshima city

(Near Takamibashi tram stop) Car Park: About 100 spaces at the site (1 hour free, after 1 hour 100 yen / 30 minutes)

Kagoshima city 099-216-1340

## **SENGAN-EN KIKU-MATSURI** (SENGAN CHRYSANTHEMUM FESTIVAL)

The 53rd Chrysanthemum Festival in SENGAN-EN will be pomp-filled

with 15,000 chrysanthemums. The world of chrysanthemum with Dolls clothed in chrysanthemum flowers and branches, a three story tower and

other beautiful



exhibits is waiting for you!

Many events such as a Satsuma Kenshi Hayato Show, a drum (taiko) performance, a Japanese archery performance and other things will be

The flower language of chrysanthemum is nobleness. People loved chrysanthemums to remove evil and wished for "furo-choju", perpetual youth and longevity.

November 1 (Thu) ~ November 25 (Sun) Date:

Time: 8:30 ~ 17:20

Sengan-en (Iso Teien), Yoshino town, Place:

Kagoshima city

Entrance fee: Adult 1000 yen Elementary & J.H.S.Student 500 yen

Sengan-en / 099-247-1551 Info:

# **TENSON KORIN GOJINNKA-SAI** (TENSON KORIN GOD'S FIRE FESTIVAL) (天孫降臨御神火祭)

Takachiho has the legend of the descent of the Sun Goddess's grandson to earth (tenson korin). This festival dates back to the legend, and invokes the peace and security of the nation. Kirishima Kumen Daiko (traditional drum performance) and Kirishima Kagura (sacred music and dance performance) are dedicated while behind, the god's logs burn brightly.

Date: November 10 (Sat)

17:00 Time:

Kirishima Shrine Furumiya-ato Place: (Takachiho Gawara) & the top of the

Takachiho-no Mine, Kirishima city Info: Kirishima Shrine / 0995-57-0001

**OSUMI no KUNI YACHIKU MATSUYAMA-HAN AKI no JIN FESTIVAL** (大隅のくに國やっちく松山藩 秋の陣まつり) <sup>map</sup> → D

"Matsuyama castle" only for the duration of the festival will be built. Many events such as samurai parade, traditional arts will be held. You can have amazake and samurai-nabe free. There are activities for children such as "Yachiku Sasuke" and "Ninja Mystery House"! Date & Time: November 10 (Sat) 18:00 ~

November 11 (Sun) 8:45 ~

Place: Matsuyama-shiroyama Undo Koen, Matsuyama-cho Shinbashi, Shibushi city

Info: Shibushi city hall Matsuyama branch / 099-487-2111

KAWANABE MAGAIBUTSU FESTIVAL

Enjoy a nice autumn day here at Kiyomizu Magaibutsu Park!

The annual bean bag toss game (tama-ire), a flea market, a samurai parade, a raffle and lots more events will be held. Lots of food at stalls.

November 11 (Sun) Date: Time: 9:00 ~ 16:00

Place: Kiyomizu Iwaya Park, Kawanabe town,

Minami-kyushu city Info: Executive / 0993-56-0247

URL:

http://kawanabe.kashoren.or.jp/magai/magaib utu.htm

#### NIHON-ICHI OHKUSU-DON-to AKI-MATSURI **AUTUMN FESTIVAL WITH JAPANESE BIGGEST CAMPHOR TREE**

Under Japan's biggest camphor tree at Kamou Yahata shrine an autumn festival will be held. Many events such as Korean traditional arts, Kamou drumming performance, duck race, traditional arts, a local products sale and other things will be held.

Date: November 18 (Sun) Time: 9:00 ~ 15:00

Place: Kamou Yahata Shrine / Kamou Elementary School, Kamou town, Aira county

Info: executive / 0995-52-1211

### KANMURI-DAKE MAIRI (VISITING AND PRAYER KANMURI-DAKE)

Kanmuri-dake is one of the Sacred mountains in Satsuma peninsula (another one is Mt. Kinpo in Minami-satsuma).

It has a legend in which Jofuku (a legendary person who lived in China and asked for permission to search for an elixir for Shi Huángdi) came to search for the elixir of life about 2,200 years ago.

A goma memorial service will be held invoking citizen's happiness.

There's a Kanmuri-dake hill market products exhibition (Kanmuri-dake yamaichi bussan-ten) in which about 70 shops sell local products and other things. Nagasaki Dragon Dance Performance will also be held.

There is a free shuttle bus service from Ichiki-kushikino-shi Tamokuteki Ground to the event site.

Date: November 23 (Fri) \*National holiday

Time: 9:30 ~ 15:30

Place: Kanmuri-dake Hanakawa Sabo Park,

Ichiki-kushikino city

Info: Ichiki-kushikino city hall / 0996-32-3111

http://www.chingokuji.org/function/11\_kanmu ridakemairi.html

### OKU-SATSUMA "OTSURU-KO"WALKING TAIKAI (OKU-SATSUMA LAKE OTSURU" WALKING

"Lake Otsuru" is a man-made lake which was made by Tsuruda Dam, one of the biggest in Kyushu. In this event, participants walk from the right bank of Tsuruda Dam to Sogi-no Taki Park which is 14km. Specialty products of the area will be given to the participants.

Date: December 2 (Sun) Time: Entry 8:00 ~

Place: Start at the right bank of

Dai-ichi Tsuruda Dam, Satsuma town,

Satsuma county

Participation Fee: Adults 2,000 yen

E.S.& J.H.S Students 1,000 yen

Application Deadline: November 9 (Fri) Info: Satsuma town office 0996-53-1111

#### **AKUNE BONTAN ROAD RACE**

The road race will be held in the place with Japan's biggest production of bontan (a kind of shaddocks). The runners will run looking at the vellow bontans on the trees along the roadsides. There are 4 courses, 3km, 5km, 10km and a half marathon.

December 9 (Sun) Date: Time: Entry 7:00 -

Opening Ceremony 8:45 ~ Closing Ceremony 13:30 ~

Place: (Start) Akune Sogo Undo Koen Rikujo

Kyogijo, Akune city

Participation Fee:

2,500 yen Adult H.S.Student 1,000 yen 500 yen J.H.S.& E.S.Student Family (3km) 3,000 ~ 6,000 yen

Application Deadline: November 16 (Fri)

Executive / 0996-73-4649

## **IBUSUKI NANOHANA MARATHON TAIKAI** (IBUSUKI RAPE BLOSSOMS MARATHON RACE)

This is a big full marathon event which 15,000

people from all over Japan enter. Only people 19 yrs old and above can enter this race. Enjoy running the certified marathon course looking at Lake Ikeda, Mt. Kaimon and yellow rape blossoms along the road in the new year air! The local volunteers will welcome you with sweet potatoes, pickles and many other food and drinks at the aid stations.

Date & Time: January 13 (Sun) 9:00 ~

Entry 12 (Sat) 14:00 ~ 17:30 6:30 ~ 8:00 13 (Sun)

Place: Start at Ibusuki city Rikujo Kyogijo,

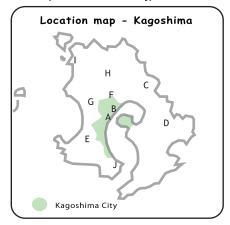
Ibusuki city

Participation Fee: 4,500 yen

Application Deadline: November 30 (Fri)

Executive / 0993-22-2550

URL: http://www13.ocn.ne.jp/~ibu-nano/



# Antique & Flea Markets

### IBUSUKI MARCHÉ FLEA MARKET

(いぶすきマルシェ)

Ibusuki Marché is an event for making Ibusuki more fun. There is a local products area, a flea market area, gourmet area, sundries area and performance & Experience area. Enjoy an autumn day here at Ibusuki.

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Date: November 10 (Sat) & 11 (Sun)

Time: 10:00 ~ 16:00

Place: Taheiji Park, Minato 3-chome,

Ibusuki city

Info: Executive / 0993-22-5828

# KAGOSHIMA UNIVERSITY FLEA MARKET (KAGOSHIMA DAIGAKU FLEA MARKET)

(鹿児島大学フリーマーケット)
In a big campus there will be more than 150 tents! Various people such as students, housewives and other people will sell things, so you can enjoy looking at booths with various items!

Date: November 11 (Sat) Time: 10:00 ~ 16:00

Place: Kagoshima University Korimoto Campus,

Kagoshima city

Info: Executive / 099-255-0131

# FLEA MARKET & ART MARKET in KAWANABE MAGAIBUTSU MATSURI

(かわなべ磨崖仏まつり

フリーマーケット&アートマーケット)

This is a flea market which is held in an annual festival in *Kawanabe*. The park of the festival site is beautiful and worth visiting!!

Date: November 11 (Sun) Time: 8:00 ~ 16:00

Place: Kiyomizu Iwaya Park, Kiyomizu, Kawanabe town,

Minami-kyushu city Info: Minami-kyushu city Shoko-kai

Info: Minami-kyushu city Shoko-kai Kawanabe-shisho 0993-56-0247

#### Fureai Festa in Osaki Flea Market

(ふれあいフェスタin大崎フリーマーケット)

Many events such as tasting Butajiru (*Miso* soup with pork and lot of vegetables in it) free, a hula dance, a raffle and other things will be held.

Date: November 23 (Fri) \*National holiday

Time: 9:00 ~ 16:00

Place: Osaki Fureai-no-Sato Park,

Osaki town

Space: Without tent  $3m \times 3m$ With tent  $3.6m \times 3.6m$ 

Application fee:

A space without a tent 2,000 yen

A space with tent & allowed using fire equip-

ment 5,000 yen

**Application deadline: November 7 (Wed)** Tel: Osaki town Shoko-kai / 099-476-0136

# Stage

# SHOCHIKU DAI-KABUKI

(松竹大歌舞伎)

Kabuki performance by big stars such as Hashinosuke Nakamura, Kotaro Kataoka and others.

Date: November 16 (Fri) Time: 13:30 / 18:30

Place: Hozan Hall (Ken Bunka Center), Yamashita town, Kagoshima city Advance ticket: S seat 6,000 yen

A seat 4,000 yen

(A seat Students 2,000 yen)

Info: Hozan Hall 099-223-4221

# THE SEOUL PERFORMING ARTS COMPANY

(ソウル芸術団)

Soul Performing Arts Company performs their original musical, traditional dances and other things all over the world. Good chance to see beautiful Korean performances.

Date, Time & Place:

November 26 (Mon) 19:00
Kirishima Shimin Kaikan,
Kokubu-chuo, Kirishima city
November 27 (Tue) 19:00 ~
Kanoya-shi Bunaka Kaikan,
Kitada town, Kanoya city
December 9 (Sun) 15:00
Kagoshima Shimin Bunka Hall 1,
Yojiro, Kagoshima city

Ticket:

Kirishima Shimin Kaikan & Kanoya-shi Bunka Hall All unreserved seat 5,000 yen Kagoshima Shimin Bunka Hall 1

A seat 5,000 yen B seat 4,500 yen \*All reserved seat

Info: MIN-ON Kagoshima 099-226-2433

# Kyushu Events

# FUKUOKA

### **OZUMO KYUSHU BASHO**

(大相撲九州場所)

Japan's national sport, Sumo matches in Kyushu! Great chance to see dynamic matches of famous Sumo wrestlers!

Date: November 11 (Sun) ~ 25 (Sun)
Time: Open 8:30 / Finish 18:00 /
Yokozuna's ceremonial entrance 16:00 /
Makuuchi division match 16:10 ~

Place: Fukuoka Kokusai Center, Chikko-honmachi, Hakata-ku Info: Nihon Sumo Kyokai / 03-3623-5111

URL: http://sumo.goo.ne.jp/

### NAGASAKI

### KIRAKIRA FESTIVAL

(きらきらフェスティバル)

Trees will be lit up, and Christmas trees will be decorated in *Shimase* park.

The Shopping arcades of *Sanka-cho* and *Yonka-cho*, *Shimase* Art gallery and other places will be illuminated with 1,000,000 lights. Other events such as "*Kirakira Charity Daiparty*" (December 5th 19:00 ~ 20:00), "*Shiminde Utau Yorokobi-no Uta*" which 1,500 people sing Symphony No. 9 (Beethoven) in German (December 16th 17:30 ~) and many other events will be held during the period, *Simase* town is full of lights and joy!

Date: November 15 (Thu) ~ December 25 (Tue)

Time: 17:00 ~ 23:00

(18:00 ~ 23:00 on the 15th of Novem-

ber)

Place: Shimase park, Shimase town,

Sasebo city

Info: Executive (Kira Kira Festival Jikko Iinkai) / 0956-24-4411

URL: http://yonkacho.com/index.html



## KUMAMAOTO

# YATSUSHIRO MYOKEN FESTIVAL

(八代妙見祭)

One of the three biggest festivals in *Kyushu* which has 350 years history, based on a legend that the god of *Myoken* came to *Takehara* Shrine on "*Gida*" (A legendary monster that looks like a turtle that came across the sea from China.

At the festival, a gorgeous 1km long emperor parade from *Shioya Hachimangu* to *Yatsushiro* Shrine will be held.

There will a shuttle bus service from the car park (Kumagawa Riverbed and Yatsushiro Chiiki Shinko-kvoku) to the festival site.

Date: November 22 (Thu) ~ 23 (Fri) \*23rd is a national holiday. Time: 22 (Thu) 18:00 ~ 21:00

23 (Fri) 7:15 ~ 21:00

Place: Yatsushiro Shrine and central city of

Yatsushiro

Info: Yatsushiro City Hall / 0965-33-4533 URL: http://www.myouken.com/

### OITA

# TAKETA TAKE-TORO "CHIKURAKU" (TAKETA BAMBOO LANTERN FESTIVAL "CHIKURAKU")

(たけた竹燈籠「竹楽」)

Bamboo has been used as a building material, for miscellaneous goods, for daily use and as a food in Japan. *Taketa* city hopes people will again realize how useful bamboo is.

The street will be lit up with 20,000 bamboo lanterns.

Date: November 16 (Fri) ~ 18 (Sun)

Time: 16:30 ~

Place: Central city of Taketa, Taketa city Info: Taketa City Tourist Information Center / 0974-63-2638

URL: http://www.city.taketa.oita.jp/tikuraku/

# MIYAZAKI

#### SHIIBA HEIKE FESTIVAL

(椎葉平家まつり)

Shiiba has an interesting history as one of several sites in Japan where members of the Heike clan hid from their famous enemy (Genji) after they were defeated in the Dan-no-ura Battle of 1185. During this festival, a Heian Period theme parade, traditional dances, Kagura performances and other events that evoke episodes in the area's history will take place.

The view of maple trees is also nice in this season.

Date: November 9 (Fri) ~ 11 (Sun)
Place: Shiiba Village, Higashi-usuki county
Info: Shiiba Village Office / 0982-67-3203

# SAITOBARU BURIAL MOUNDS FESTIVAL

(西都原古墳まつり)

A colorful festival that evokes the story of ancestral *Shinto* god *Ninigi-no-Mikoto* and the Princess *Konohana-sakuya*. On the 3rd, a torch parade and a fire festival will take place. On the 4th, traditional local arts and other events connected with ancient times will take place. *Saitobaru* has one of the largest groups of ancient burial mounds in Japan. You will also be able to enjoy beautiful cosmos fields.

There will a shuttle bus service from Saito bus center to the festival site.

Date: November 3 (Sat) ~ 4 (Sun)

Place: Saitobaru Mound Area, Miyake, Saito city

Info: Saito city Tourist Association /

0983-41-1557

URL: http://www.saitokankou.com/kohunmatsuri.html

# Tourist Spots in Sakurajima

# 1 Yogan Nagisa Trail

# (桜島溶岩なぎさ遊歩道)

This is a 3km walking path, extend west from Sakurajima Port to Karasujima Observatory, surrounded by Taisho lava which makes you feel you are on another planet. Good place for walking, jogging and cycling.

You can enjoy collecting seaweed such as nori and wakame and shellfish.

Nice breeze from Kinko bay and warm sunshine makes you happy.



# 2 Sakurajima Marine Fishing Park (桜島海づり公園)

This park is located next to Sakurajima port. You can fish on a platform built out from the shore. Kinko bay is famous for dolphins, so if you are lucky, you might able to see dolphins here!

The depth of water is 6 ~ 9 meters and the sea bed is lava.

Fishing tackle rental available.

Open: 365 days open

Time: April ~ October: 7:00 ~ 19:00 November ~ March : 7:00~17:00

Entrance fee: Adults 100 yen / Children 50 yen Fishing fee (including entrance fee / within 4 hours)

Adults 200 yen / Children 100 yen

After 4 hours / hour: Adults 100 yen / Children 50 yen

Rental fee: Fishing-rod free

\* The fee for bait is 200 yen / once



# ③ Sakurajima Yogan Nagisa Park & Foot Spa

(桜島溶岩なぎさ公園&足湯) About 5 minutes walk from Sakurajima Port. There is one of the biggest foot spas in Japan. The foot spa with natural hot spring from 1,000 meter under the ground is 100 meters long. After walking, jogging or fishing, the foot spa with a close-up look at Sakurajima makes you relax. If you don't have towels with you, Sakurajima Visitor Center and Rainbow Sakurajima sell original towels. It might be a good idea to buy towels printed with the Sakurajima logo.

The park where the foot bath is running across is a big grass area along the sea. You can have a picnic

or play on the grass. Have a slow day with your family or friends.

Time: 9:00 ~ Sunset

Fee: Free



# 4 Sakurajima Visitor Center

# 桜島ビジターセンター

Small size volcano museum. It shows you the mechanism of the eruption.

You can learn about the volcano and the tourism in Sakurajima here.

The film (with English, Chinese or Korean subtitles) on the 200 inch screen introduces Sakurajima.

They sell souvenirs, too. Their original key rings and towels are very good for presents. The friendly staff will tell you how to enjoy Sakurajima.

Entrance fee: Free Open: 365 days open Time: 9:00 ~ 17:00 Tel: 099-293-2443





# (5) Kurokami Buried Shrine Gate

# 黒神埋没鳥居

The ash and the pumice of the huge eruption in 1914 (Taisho 3) rose up to more than 8000 meters in the air and reached the Kamchatka Peninsula. The shrine gate in Kurokami area was buried in just one day with the ash and the pumice.Its original height was 3 meters, but now it is only 1 meter.

After the eruption, people tried to dig up the shrine gate, but, the village chief suggested to keep alive the memories of the eruption.

The shrine gate will show how terrible the eruption was for posterity.



# 6 Tsukiyomi Shrine

This shrine is the biggest shrine in Sakurajima and a power spot that attracts people.

It is located right near Sakurajima Port and established around 708 ~ 715.

Some say the name of Sakurajima is from a one of the goddesses of Japanese myth "Konohana-sakuya-hime", and this goddess is also worshiped at this shrine.

This shrine was buried during the Taisho eruption, and it was moved to its former place in 1930.

The view from the viewing platform is great.



# Recommended Activities

# Sakurajima Volcano Guide Walk (桜島火山ガイドウォーク)

What Sakurajima

If your really want to know about Sakurajima, Walk with the guide. The guides explain about Sakurajima at Sakurajima Visitor Center about lava, plants etc. -

Then, walk around Yogan Nagisa Trail. You will find out about Sakurajima a lot more.

All year available.

Time: About 90 minutes 10:00 ~ 11:30 / 14:00 ~ 15:30 Fee: H.S.Students and above 1,500 yen / person J.H.S.Students and below 500 yen / person Infants free

Capacity: 2 ~ 10 people Bring: A hat, a towel and drink

Meeting place: Sakurajima Visitor Center Apply: by phone 099-245-0100

Cancel: by 2 days ahead



Eat pizza baked in an oven you make with the lava.

Not only the lava but the camellia oil used in pizza paste is also from Sakuraiima.

Enjoy the taste of Sakurajima!

2 pizza about 20cm in diameter for 1 person. Open: All year except December 29 ~ January 5

Time: 9:00 ~ 17:00

Place: Sakurajima Yogan Kako Center Fee: 12,500 yen (for up to 5 people)

2,500 yen plus / person for a group with more than 6 people

Booking required 1 week ahead.

Tel: 099-245-0100 Cancel: by 1 week ahead

> \*This picture is just an image. It is not the actual pizza which was made at the place.



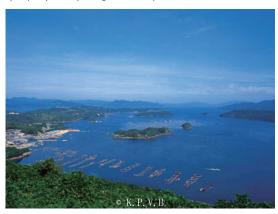
# ${ m LATEST~INFO}$

# KICS International Bus Tour Nagashima town

December 2nd (Sun) 8:00 ~ 18:00 @ Nagashima town, Izumi county (Meeting Place: Kagoshima city)

Nagashima town is located in northwest Kagoshima prefecture. It has beautiful coastline and blue sea. Their speciality is potatoes, yellowtails, mandarin oranges and shochu! Many things to enjoy such as tasty food, golden sunset and fisherman's fire.

On this tour, you can enjoy the experience of being in Nagashima and observing its beauty while interacting with other participants. This is the Annual KICS Bus Tour, which is for Japanese and Non-Japanese people who live in Kagoshima, this year going to Nagashima together in order to deepen the understanding of Nagashima culture and the exchange between people participating in the trip.



Where to visit: A Shochu Factory and an ancient tomb

Activities: Digging up potatoes

Dissecting Japanese Amberjack (fish)

Sampling food

Fee (Insurance and lunch are included)

KICS members (these who paid for membership in 2012) 700yen Non-members 1,200yen

Capacity: 60 Japanese, 60 foreigners for a total 120 people (In case of too many applications, KICS will hold a draw for place allocation.)

Application deadline: November 21 (Wed)

\*Your application must be received by this day.

Apply: please e-mail (with KICS International Bus Tour as the subject) the address below. You are welcome to apply with your friends or family on the same form. However, please remember to write the name (including katakana reading if it's known) gender, age and nationality of all partici-

□KICS International Bus Tour

- □Name of all participants (both English /Kanji and Furigana reading)
- □Gender and age(of all participants)
- □Nationality
- □Address(including post code)
- □Telephone number
- □E-mail address

Apply To: kics@po.minc.ne.jp

# The basic philosophy of Satsuma

### Jissinko Iroha-uta (日新公いろは歌) vol.32

Iroha-uta is originally a Japanese short poem. It is a perfect pangram, containing each character of the Japanese syllabary (hiragana) exactly once. Jissinko iroha-uta are 47 poems each of which begin, respectively, with the original iroha poems first syllabary.

They also became the spirit of Goju kyoiku (郷中教育: The Satsuma education system).

The thirty-second poem (starting with the letter "ふ (ぶ)"):

# 無勢とて敵をあなどることなかれ 多勢を見ても恐るずべからす

(Buzei-tote Teki-wo Anadoru-koto Nakare Tazei-wo Mitemo Osoru Bekarazu)

Despise not a small enemy nor fear a great one.



#### しもつき 霜月(Shimo-tsuki)

Japanese has a different name for each month. We call November "juichi-gatsu" usually, but we also have another name, "Shimotsuki".

It means "the month Frost ("Shimo" in Japanese) falls".

# Shimotsuki Calendar

# 文化の日 (Bunka-no-hi)

November 3 (Sat)

It is a national holiday entitled "love freedom and peace, and promote advanced culture".

It is the day the Japanese Constitution was promulgated, and peace and culture are respected in the constitution, so this day became Culture Day.

The Japanese Constitution was enforced May 3rd, in 1947. This day became Constitution Memorial Day.

# 立冬 (Rittou)

#### November 7 (Wed)

The first day of winter by the old calendar. It gets colder at night time and people feel the winter is coming.

From this day to the day before the first day of Spring by the old calender (around 4th or 5th of February) is the winter.

# 七五三 (Shichi-go-san)

November 15 (Thu)

It is an event in which boys who are Five,



Japanese way and girls who are three and seven go to shrines to give thanks for their healthy growth and pray for happiness and long lives. It started in the Muromachi era (1336 ~

1573). It used to be an event for the Royal family and the nobility.

7, 5 and 3 are odd numbers which are auspicious according to old Chinese custom.

# 小雪 (Shosetsu)

November 22 (Thu)

The season in which the severe winter comes. But, there is not much snow yet, so it is called "Shosetsu (Little snow)". The sunshine gets weak and the air gets colder.

# 勤労感謝の日

# (Kinro Kansha-no-hi) November 23 (Fri)

Labor Thanksgiving Day.

It is a national holiday to "respect labor, celebrate productions and thank each other".

This day was enacted in 1948.

They say that "Labor Thanksgiving Day" in Japan is "Thanks Giving Day" in America, but others say "Niname-sai (新嘗祭)" which was abolished after the war was changed to "Labor Thanksgiving Day".

November 23 used to be "Niname-sai" before the war ended.

"Niname-sai" is a harvest ceremony which the emperor holds.

\* The dates above depend on the lunar calendar, so they change every year.

# Seven Flowers of Autumn (Aki-no Nanakusa / 秋の七草)

In Japan, there are Seven representative flowers of autumn (Aki-no Nanakusa / 秋の七草) as opposed to the Seven Herbs in Spring (Haru-no Nanakusa / 春の七草) which are edible wild herbs of spring. The Seven Flowers Autumn provide visual enjoyment. Their simplicity was very much admired: they are small and dainty yet beautifully colored. They are named as typical autumn flowers in a verse from the Man'y $\bar{o}$ sh $\bar{u}$  (万葉集), the oldest existing anthology of

It would be nice to go out and look for these flowers.



Japanese poetry.

*Hagi* (萩)/ Bush Clover



Kuzu (葛) / Pueraria Lobata



Ominaeshi (女郎花) / Patrinia Scabiosaefolia



Kikyo (桔梗) / Bellflower



*Obana* (尾花) / Japanese Pampas Grass



Nadeshiko (撫子) / Dianthus



Fujibakama (藤袴) / thoroughwort

# Fortune-telling

November 1 ~ November 30



#### January Birthday:

It is the time to start a new story for you. Don't be too strongly attached to the past. Be positive and create your new impression and a happy life.

#### February Birthday:

Exercise is the best way to get rid of your stress. Get into a habit of something easy such as walking or jogging.

#### March Birthday:

People who you feel you don't get along with very well; try to adapt yourself to them. You will be accepted without any trouble.

#### April Birthday:

It is the time you make a decision and give voice to it. The things will go the way you want.

#### May Birthday:

Just saying things doesn't mean anything. You need to make things come true. Teamwork is the key for success.

#### June Birthday:

Pay attention to signs from your body. They could be warnings or good signs. Whatever, facing your own body is insure your health.

### July Birthday:

You might have been feeling you are in trouble. But, you shouldn't be too serious. Do not forget that this situation will be gone, and try to find something which makes you happy.

#### August Birthday:

It is the time to feel stress. Get yourself back with 10 minutes meditation before you go to bed. You will be able to see what you should do.

## September Birthday:

Time passes quickly, but it is important to review the study which you've learnt on the day. It will bear fruit.

### October Birthday:

Think again about what you really want to do or what you really like. Take your time and think over about yourself, then you'll find the right path.

### November Birthday:

Your environment might change a lot this month. You might be worried or feel lonely. But, it is a month of movement for you and a month of preparation for the future. So accept the new environment and try to get used to it.

#### December Birthday:

Find somebody you can respect. And, mimic the way the person studies or the person's behavior. It increases your ability.



# **Movie Guide**

★ Foreign movie ☆ Japanese movie

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21:00 BS-T	Une parisenne (French) [C]
13:00 BS-P	Escape to Victory [Dr]
23:15 BS-P	Oceans Twelve [Ac][S]
14:00 BS-N	The Men Who Stare at Goats [C]
19:00 BS-T	After The Sunset [S][C]
20:00 BS11	The Man without A Face [Dr]
18:30 Dlife	The House of The Spirits [Dr]
19:00 BS-N	A Knight's Tale [Ac]
21:00 KKB	Knight and Day [Ac]
21:00 MBC	Lara Craft: Toumb Rader [Ad]
21:00 KYT	Evangelion:1.0 You Are (Not) Alone (Japanese) [An][SF]
23:45 BS-P	Blade Runner [SF]
19:00 Dlife	Because I Said So [LC]
19:00 BS-N	The Rock [Ac][S]
21:00 KKB	The Three Musketeers [A][Ad]
	Oceans Thirteen [S][Ac]
	Kate & Leopold
	E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial [SF]
	The Searchers
	Lara Craft Toumb Rader: The Cradle of Life [Ac][Ad]
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		21:00	BS-T	H
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Kingdom of Heaven [H][Ac] The Matrix [SF][Ac] 19:00 BS-T 19:30 BS-P Anna Karenina [Dr]
Demolition Man [Ac][SF] 20:00 BS11 21:00 BS-A 18 18:30 Dlife Sweet November [L][Dr] 13:00 BS-P Papillon [Dr] Frozen River [Dr] 21:00 BS-J Le Mans [Dr] 20 13:00 BS-P Neverending Story [Ad][F] Terminator 3: Rise of The Machines [SF][Ac] Cyrano de Bergerac (French) [L] 13:00 BS-P 21:00 MBC otting Hill [L] À bout portant (French) [S][Ac] Righteous Kill [S] Nobody's Fool [Dr] Nim's Island [Ad][C] NIMS ISIAND [AU][C] Il Ferroviere (Italy) [Dr] Legally Blonde [C] Total Recall [AC][SF] Father of The Bride [Dr][C] KKB = Digital 5 KTS = Digital 8 KYT = Digital 4 BS-P = BS Premium Pillow Talk {LC] BS-A = BS Asahi CasinoRoyale [Ac][S] BS-J = BS Japan Legical (L) Dishonored [L] Histoires Extraordnaires (French) [S][F] April Snow / 외출 (Korean) [L] Legally Blode2: Red White & Blonde [C] BS-N = BS Nittele BS-T = BS TBS BS-F = BS Fuji [Ac] = Action [Ad] = Adventure [An] -= Animated film [C] = Comedy

88 Minutes [S]

<sup>[</sup>Dc] = Documentary [Dr] = Drama [F] = Fantasy [H] = Historical drama [L] = Love Story [LC] = Love Comedy [M] = Musical [S] = Suspense [SF] = SF [W] = Western \* Schedules are subject to change without notice. - 7 -

<sup>\*\*</sup> This information is as of October 31.

#### KAGOSHIMA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

(鹿児島交響楽団定期演奏会)

Date: November 11 (Sun)

Time: 15:00

Place: Hozan Hall (Ken Bunka Center),

Yamashita-cho, Kagoshima city

Ticket: Adults 2,200 ven

H.S.Students & below 1,200 yen

\*200 yen cheaper advance tickets available. Info: Kagoshima Kokyo Gakudan

099-223-3093

BEGIN TOUR (BEGIN トロピカルフーズツアー)

- J-POP, Blues, Okinawan music

Date: November 17 (Sat)

Time: 18:00

Place: Hozan Hall (Ken Bunka Center), Yamashita-cho, Kagoshima city

Ticket: 6.300 ven

Info: K&M Corporation 099-223-7710

THE MALANDO ORCHESTRA

(マランド楽団) - Tango, Latin

Date: November 18 (Sun)

Time: 14:00

Place: Hozan Hall (Ken Bunka Center),

Yamashita-cho, Kagoshima city

Ticket: 6,500 yen

Pair ticket 12,000 yen Info: RO ♪ON Rust 099-223-8426

**TARO HAKASE CONCERT TOUR 2012** 

(葉加瀬太郎コンサートツアー2012) Date: November 18 (Sun)

Time: 17:30

Place: Kagoshima Shimin Bunka Hall 1,

Yojiro, Kagoshima city

Ticket: 7,000 yen

Info: K&M Corporation 099-223-7710

YOSHIKAZU MERA TALK & CONCERT

(米良美一 「愛のうた」トーク&コンサート)

Countertenor

Date: November 21 (Wed)

Time: 19:00

Hozan Hall (Ken Bunka Center), Place:

Yamashita-cho, Kagoshima city

Ticket: 4,000 yen

Info: Kagoshima Onkyo 099-226-3465

**HAZZIE** → **ONE-MAN TOUR** 

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- J-POP, Reggae Date: November 23 (Fri) \*National holiday

Time: 17:00

Place: CAPARVO Hall, Tenmonkan,

Kagoshima city

Ticket: Standing space 3,800 yen (+ 1 Drink) K&M Corporation 099-223-7710

**ZAZEN BOYS** 

**TOUR MATSURI SESSION 2012** - Rock

Date: November 23 (Fri) \*National holiday

Time: 18:30

Place: SR Hall, Tenmonkan,

Kagoshima city

Ticket: Standing space 3,800 yen (+ 1 Drink)

Info: BEA 092-712-4221

TOSHIKI KADOMATSU (角松敏生)

Elastics is Back! Tour

- J-POP, Rock, AOR, R&B

Date: November 24 (Sat)

Time: 18:00

Place: CAPARVO Hall, Tenmonkan,

Kagoshima city Ticket: 7,500 yen (+ 1 Drink)

Info: K&M Corporation 099-223-7710

**JABBERLOOP** - Jazz, Pop

Date: November 24 (Sat)

Time: 19:00

Place: Jazz spot Lileth, Tenmonkan,

Kagoshima city Advance ticket: 3,000 yen

Info: Jazz spot Lileth 099-227-1330

**SEAMO LIVE TOUR 2012** - J-POP

Date: November 25 (Sun)

Time: 16:00

Place: CAPARVO Hall, Tenmonkan,

Kagoshima city

Ticket: Standing space 4,200 yen (+ 1 Drink) Info: K&M Corporation 099-223-7710

SEIICHI NAKAMURA & HIDEAKI YOSH-**IOKA DUO** 

(中村誠一・吉岡秀晃DU0) - Jazz

Date: November 30 (Fri)

Time: 19:30

Place: Live HEAVEN, Tenmonkan,

Kagoshima city

Ticket: 4,000 yen (1 Drink included) Info: Rhythm Heart 090-7440-5547

**INGOLF WUNDER PIANO RECITAL** 

(インゴルフ・ヴンダー ピアノリサイタル)

Date: December 1 (Sat)

Time: 14:00

Place: Miyama Conseru,

Takachiho, Makizono town,

Kirishima city

Ticket: Adults 4,000 yen

H.S.Students & below 2,000 yen Info: Mivama Conseru 0995-78-8000

#### KAGOSHIMA CITY MUSEUM OF ART

4-36 Shiroyama cho, Kagoshima city 099-224-3400 / 9:30 ~ 18:00 / Closed Mondays

Entrance fee: Adults 300 ven

STORE PRODUCT EXHIBITION OF AUTUMN New collection of Hashiguchi Goyo II

- ukiyo-e pictures, woodcuts

- Paintings

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- Paintings

(秋の所蔵品展 ~特集~ 橋口五葉 新収蔵品展Ⅱ) September 25 (Tue) ~ November 25 (Sun)

THE WORLD OF TAKEO YAMAGUCHI

(山口長男の世界)

November 8 (Wed) ~ December 24 (Mon)

\*December 24 is a national holiday.

#### **NAGASHIMA MUSEUM**

3-42-18 Take, Kagoshima city 099-250-5400 / 9:00~17:00 Entrance fee: Adult 1000 yen Lunch: 1890 yen (week days only) 2100 yen - 3150 yen (others)

TAKEJI FUJISHIMA EXHIBITION (藤島武二展)

September 23 (Sun) ~ December 9 (Sun) - Paintings

#### MIYAKE MUSEUM

1-4319-4 Taniyama-chuo, Kagoshima city 099-266-0066 / 10:00 - 16:30 / Closed Wednesdays & May 3 ~ 6

Entrance fee: Adults 300 yen Lunch: 11:00 - 14:00 / 750 yen - 1100 yen

Tea Time: 14:00 -18:00

Dinner: 18:00- (Bookings are required)

**PEOPLE IN CANVASES** 

- ATTRACTION OF ATTRACTIONS -

(キャンバスの中の人々 -人物画の魅力一)

- Paintings October 18 (Tue) ~ February 3 (Sun)

#### WHITE GALLERY

25-7 Shimotatsuo-cho, Kagoshima city 099-248-3904 / 11:00 ~ 18:00 / Closed Mondays Lunch: 11:30 - 14:00 / 1050 yen or 1260 yen

Cafe: 11:00 ~ 18:00 Coffee 400 yen

MICHIKAZU KAWANO EXHIBITION XV - Chinaware

(川野恭和 作陶展 XV) November 3 (Sat) ~ November 15 (Thu)

CLOTHES BY HARUMI SAKURAI Felt with AZUSA

(櫻井はるみの服 Felt with AZUSA)

November 17 (Sat) ~ November 29 (Thu)

**KODAMA ART MUSEUM** 8251-1 Shimo-fukumoto cho, Kagoshima city

099-262-0050 / 10:00 - 16:00 / Closed Mondays Admission fee: Adults 500 yen MICHIO YAMASHITA'S NEW WORKS EXHIBITION

(山下三千夫新作展) October 20 (Sat) ~ December 9 (Sun)

KIRISHIMA ART-NO MORI

6340-220 Koba, Yusui town, Aira county 0995-74-5945 / 9:00 - 17:00 / Closed Mondays

Entrance fee: Adults 300 yen

IZUMI KATO EXHIBITION ^~ SOUL UNION DELUXE ~

(加藤泉展 ~SOUL UNION DELUXE~)

- Paintings, Wood carvings

October 5 (Fri) ~ December 9 (Sun)





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