

# Seasonal Event Information

## February 2020

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

### Oyster Festivals 2020

Hiroshima is well known as the largest producer of oysters in Japan. Winter is the best season for oysters, so many oyster festivals are held at various places in Hiroshima every February. You can buy fresh oysters and also taste various oyster dishes at the festival venues. Most events will end when the oysters are sold out.

#### Hiroshima Food Stadium & Oyster Festival 2020 ひろしまフードスタジアム

##### 冬の陣2020【広島大牡蠣祭り】

You can enjoy Hiroshima's winter food specialties at this festival. Oyster *nabe* (hot pot dish) will be sold at ¥200 per serving. Oyster *nabe* sets with sushi rolls will be sold at ¥500 as well.

**WHEN:** February 1 (Sat.) & 2 (Sun.), 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

**WHERE:** Chuo Park

**ACCESS:** ① 10 minutes' walk from JR Shin-hakushima station (JR Sanyo Line). ② Take a Hiroshima sightseeing loop bus (orange route or lemon route) and get off at Hiroshima Castle (Gokoku-jinja-mae). 6 minutes' walk from there.

**ADMISSION FEE:** Free

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee (RCC Broadcasting) 082-222-1133 (weekdays, 10 am – 5 pm)

#### Etajima Oyster Festival

##### 江田島市カキ祭り

**WHEN:** February 2 (Sun.), 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

**WHERE:** Koyo Minato Park, Etajima City

**ACCESS:** Get on a ferry at Hiroshima Port and get off at Koyo Port (a 20 min. ferry ride). 3 minutes' walk from there.

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0823-43-1644

#### Ondo Oyster Festival おんど音戸かき祭り

**WHEN:** February 2 (Sun.), from 9:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** In front of Ondo Gyogyo Kyodo Kumiai, Ondo-cho, Kure City

**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Kure Station (JR Kure Line) and get off at Ondo Sanbashi (a 20 min. bus ride).

**INQUIRIES:** Ondo Gyogyo Kyodo Kumiai 0823-52-2561

#### The 36<sup>th</sup> Miyajima Oyster Festival

##### 第36回宮島かき祭り

Stage performances such as *taiko* (traditional Japanese drums) will be held at the venue.

A ritual and *kagami-biraki* (cutting a *kagami mochi*, a traditional Japanese new year's ornament consisting of two round rice cakes) will also be held on the 8<sup>th</sup>.

**WHEN:** February 8 (Sat.) & 9 (Sun.), 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**WHERE:** In front of Miyajima Pier, Miyajima-cho, Hatsukaichi City

**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:** Miyajima Tourist Association 0829-44-2011

#### Ohno Oyster Festival

##### 大野かきフェスティバル

**WHEN:** February 9 (Sun.), 9:30 am – 2:30 pm

**WHERE:** Boat Race Miyajima (motorboat racetracks), Miyajima-guchi, Hatsukaichi City

**ACCESS:** 3 minutes' walk from JR Miyajimaguchi Station (JR Sanyo Line)

**INQUIRIES:** Hatsukaichi Tourist Association, Ohno Branch 0829-30-3533

#### Tahara Oyster Festival たはら田原かき祭り

**WHEN:** February 9 (Sun.), from 9:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** In front of Tahara Gyogyo Kyodo Kumiai, Tahara, Ondo-cho, Kure City

**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Kure Station (JR Kure Line) and get off at Tahara (a 40 min. bus ride).

**INQUIRIES:** Tahara Gyogyo Kyodo Kumiai 0823-52-2900

#### 2020 Kure Suisan Festival

##### 2020呉水産祭り

**WHEN:** February 11 (Tues.), from 10:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** Kure-shi Chuo Park, Kure City

**ACCESS:** 10 minutes' walk from JR Kure Station (JR Kure Line).

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0823-25-3319

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## Takarajima Kurahashi Festival

たからじま  
宝島くらはしフェスティバル

**WHEN:** February 16 (Sun.), 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

**WHERE:** Around Katsurahama Onsen Kan, Kurahashi-cho, Kure City

**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Kure Station (JR Kure Line) and get off at Katsurahama Onsen Kan (a 60 min. bus ride).

**INQUIRIES:** Kurahashi Shimin Center  
0823-53-1111

## Saka-cho Suisan Festival

さかちょうぎょきょうすいさん  
坂町漁協水産まつりチャリティバザール

**WHEN:** February 16 (Sun.), from 9:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** Palty Fuji Saka (Shopping Mall), Heisei-gahama, Saka-cho, Aki-gun

**ACCESS:** 3 minutes' walk from JR Saka Station (JR Kure Line).

**INQUIRIES:** Saka-cho Gyogyo Kyodo Kumiai  
082-885-0009

## The 30<sup>th</sup> Hiroshima City Suisan Festival

だい かいひろしましすいさん  
第30回広島市水産まつり in  
マリーナホップ

**WHEN:** February 23 (Sun.), 10:00 am – 1:00 pm

◆ Morning market: from 9:30 am onwards

**WHERE:** Marina Hop, Kanon-shin-machi, Nishi-ku, Hiroshima City

**ACCESS:** From JR Hiroshima Station, take the No. 3 bus and get off at Kanon Marina Hop (a 37 min. bus ride).

**INQUIRIES:** Fisheries Division, Hiroshima City Hall  
082-504-2252 (weekdays only)

## Hayase Oyster Festival

はやせ  
早瀬かき祭り

**WHEN:** February 23 (Sun.), from 8:30 am onwards

**WHERE:** Open space in front of the former Hayase Elementary School, Ondo-cho, Kure City

**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Kure Station (JR Kure Line) and get off at Hayase Ohashi Kita (a 45 min. bus ride).

**INQUIRIES:** Hayase Gyogyo Kyodo Kumiai  
0823-56-0470

## Yasuura Oyster Festival

やすうらむてんか  
安浦無添加カキ祭り

**WHEN:** February 23 (Sun.), from 10:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** Greenpia Setouchi, Mitsuguchi, Yasuura-cho, Kure City

**ACCESS:** It is 60 minutes by car from Kureline Kure I.C.

**INQUIRIES:** Kaneda Suisan 0823-84-5392

## Events Held in Hiroshima City

### Kagura Performances

#### An Evening of Kagura

よかぐらこうえん  
夜神楽公演

**WHEN:** Saturdays, February 8, 15, 22 & 29; March 7, 14 & 28 ◆ Kagura Performance: 7:00 pm – 7:45 pm (venue will open at 6:30 pm.) ◆ Q&A and Photo Session: from 7:45 pm onwards

**WHERE:** ◆ **February:** Hiroshima Prefectural Art Museum, Kaminoboricho, Naka-ku ◆ **March:** YMCA International Cultural Hall (B1), Hatchobori, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** ◆ **Hiroshima Prefectural Art Museum:** Get off at Shukkeien-mae streetcar stop.

◆ **YMCA International Cultural Hall:** 5 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 (be seated on a parent or guardian's lap) ★ Tickets are sold at the venue from 6:30 pm on the day of each performance. There are no advance tickets.

**INQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Interpreter & Guide Association 080-3731-4804 (10 am – 5 pm)  
<http://www.hiroshima-kagura.com>

### Events at Shukkeien Garden

#### Shukkeien Garden

**OPENING HOURS:** 9:00 am – 6:00 pm (April – September) / 9:00 am – 5:00 pm (October – March)

**ACCESS:** 5 minutes' walk from Shukkeien-mae streetcar stop (Hiroden Hakushima Line).

**ADMISSION FEE:** Adults: ¥260, University & high school students: ¥150, Junior high & elementary school students: ¥100

**INQUIRIES:** 082-221-3620

Website: <http://shukkeien.jp/>

### Plum Blossom-viewing (umemi)

#### Tea Ceremony

うめみちやかい  
梅見茶会

**WHEN:** February 16 (Sun.), 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**FEE:** ¥800 (*Matcha*, green powdered tea),  
¥600 (*Amazake*, Japanese sweet *sake*)

★ Admission fee for the garden is also required.

☐ *Amazake* is an alcoholic drink, so please refrain from driving if you drink any.

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**Setsubun-sai Festivals**

Setsubun-sai is a bean-throwing (*mame-maki*) ceremony. On the evening of February 3, people scatter handfuls of parched soybeans inside and outside the house to chase demons out and summon good luck. As the beans are thrown, good luck is invited in and bad luck driven out with much shouting and noise, and cries of "*Fuku-wa-uchi, Oni-wa-soto*" (=In with good luck, out with the devil).

**Setsubun-sai Festival (yaikagashi shinji) at Sumiyoshi Shrine**

せつぶんさい やい か しんじ すみよしじんしゃ  
節分祭 (焼嗅がし神事) (住吉神社)

This is a traditional ritual on *Setsubun* day (February 3); *miko*, female attendants of the shrine, will grill one thousand sardine heads and fan smoke with a large paper fan to drive away evil spirits. After the ritual, you can take home a grilled sardine's head on a holly branch, which is a *Setsubun* lucky charm. *Mamemaki* (bean-throwing) will also be held.

**WHEN:** February 3 (Mon.), from 2:00 pm onwards

**WHERE:** Sumiyoshi Shrine, Sumiyoshi-cho, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** ① From Kamiya-cho or Hondori, take the No. 24 bus and get off at Sumiyoshi-cho. 5 minutes' walk from there.

② From Kamiya-cho or Hondori, take the No. 3 or 6 bus and get off at Kakomachi. 3 minutes' walk from there.

**INQUIRIES:** Sumiyoshi Shrine 082-241-0104

**Setsubun-sai Festival at Hiroshima**

**Gokoku Shrine** せつぶんさい ひろしまごこくじんしゃ  
節分祭 (広島護国神社)

**WHEN:** February 3 (Mon.), starting time: TBC

**WHERE:** Hiroshima Gokoku Shrine, Motomachi, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** Take a Hiroshima sightseeing loop bus (orange route or lemon route) and get off at Hiroshima Castle (Gokoku-jinja-mae).

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

**Setsubun-sai Festival at Sorasaya**

**Inao Shrine** せつぶんさい そらさやいなおじんしゃ  
節分祭 (空籾稲生神社)

**WHEN:** February 3 (Mon.)

Ritual: 5:00 pm, Bean-throwing: 5:30 pm

**WHERE:** Sorasaya Inao Shrine, Honkawa-cho, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** 5 minutes' walk from Honkawa-cho streetcar stop.

**INQUIRIES:** Sorasaya Inao Shrine 082-231-4476

**Other Events****Talk with A-bomb Survivors**

「6」のつく日 語り部さんとお話ししよう!

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.

**WHEN:** The 6<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> of every month, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm; Story telling: ① 1:00 pm ② 3:00 pm

**WHERE:** Social Book Café Hachidori-sha, Dobashi-cho, Naka-ku

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

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

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

★ **Social Book Café Hachidorisha** ★

**OPENING 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

**Hiroshima Minato Marché**

ひろしまみなとマルシェ

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

**WHEN:** Sundays, February 2 & 16; March 1 & 15, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

**WHERE:** Open space between East and West Terminals of Hiroshima Port (Minami-ku)

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

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

**Handmade Festival 2020**

ハンドメイドフェスティバル2020

This is the biggest handmade festival in Hiroshima.

**WHEN:** February 15 (Sat.), 11:00 am – 4:00 pm & February 16 (Sun.), 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**WHERE:** Hiroshima Prefectural Industrial Exhibition Hall (*Hiroshima Kenritsu Sangyô Kaikan*), East Exhibition Hall, Hijiyama-honmachi, Minami-ku

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

**ADMISSION FEE:** Free

**INQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Handmade Festival tokimeki Office 080-5623-6161

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## Senshō Salon (Tea Ceremony)

せんしょうさろん  
十鐘茶論

**WHEN:** Wednesdays, February 19 and March 18,  
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

**WHERE:** Senshō-tei, Hiroshima Electric Railway  
Co., Senda-machi, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** Get off at Hiroden Honsha-mae streetcar  
stop.

**PARTICIPATION FEE:** ¥1,000 (including green tea  
and a sweet)

**RESERVATIONS:** Please make a reservation by  
phone (TEL: 080-6306-5269). Participation limited  
to the first 20 people.

**INQUIRIES:** Tatsujin Club 080-6306-5269

## Experience of Life and Plays in the Edo Period (1603 – 1867) – Hiroshima

History Festival – 江戸であそぼうーひろ

ねましたんけんたい  
しま歴史探検隊まつりー

**WHEN:** March 7 (Sat.), 10:00 am – 3:30 pm

**WHERE:** Hiroshima Castle, *Ninomaru*, Motomachi,  
Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** Take a Hiroshima sightseeing loop bus  
(orange route or lemon route) and get off at  
Hiroshima Castle (Gokoku-jinja-mae). 6 minutes'  
walk from there.

**FEE:** Free

**INQUIRIES:** Hiroshima City Culture Foundation  
082-568-6511

## Hiroshima Yoga Peace '20

ひろしまヨガピース '20

Famous yoga instructors from Japan and abroad  
will come and teach you various styles of yoga.

**WHEN:** ♦ May 2 (Sat.): 10:00 am – 7:30 pm

♦ May 3 (Sun.): 8:00 am – 5:30 pm

★ Please check the website for the schedule.

**WHERE:** Hongan-ji Temple Hiroshima Betsuin,  
Jissō-ji Temple, Shōzenbō Temple & Honryū-ji in  
Teramachi, Naka-ku

**ACCESS:** Get off at Teramachi streetcar stop.

**FEE:** ¥3,500 for 1 class; ¥9,500 for 3 classes;  
¥14,000 for 5 classes. Yoga mat rental: ¥500 / day

**TO APPLY:** Applications will be accepted through  
the website (<https://ticketyogap.shop-pro.jp/>)  
(Japanese only).

**ENQUIRIES:** Hiroshima Yoga Peace Executive  
Committee 080-5629-1892

E-mail: [yoga@hiroshima-yogapeace.com](mailto:yoga@hiroshima-yogapeace.com)

Website: <http://hiroshima-yogapeace.com/>

## Events Held on Miyajima

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

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

◆ **Access to Miyajima:** Get off at JR Miyajima-  
guchi Station (JR Sanyo Line) or Miyajima streetcar  
stop (Hiroden Streetcar Miyajima Line), then take a  
ferry to Miyajima.

◆ **Itsukushima Shrine Admission Fee:** Adults  
& university students: ¥300, High school students:  
¥200, Junior high & elementary school students:  
¥100

## Setsubun-e Festival in Miyajima

せつぶんえ ふうくまめ  
節分会・福豆まき

There will be a ritual & *mame-maki* (bean-  
throwing) for good luck.

**WHEN:** February 3 (Mon.), from 11:00 am  
onwards

**WHERE:** Daishoin Temple

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

## Hoshi Matsuri at Daiganji Temple in Miyajima (ritual)

ほしまつり  
星祭り

**WHEN:** February 3 (Mon.), from 6:30 pm onwards

**WHERE:** Daiganji Temple

**INQUIRIES:** Daiganji Temple 0829-44-0179

## The 36<sup>th</sup> Miyajima Oyster Festival

だい かいみやじま  
第36回宮島かき祭り

Stage performances such as *taiko* (traditional  
Japanese drums) will be held at the venue.  
A ritual and *kagami-biraki* will also be held on the  
8<sup>th</sup>. *Kagami-biraki* is cutting a *kagami-mochi*, a  
traditional Japanese new year's ornament  
consisting of two round rice cakes.

**WHERE:** February 8 (Sat.) & 9 (Sun.), 10:00 am –  
3:00 pm

**WHERE:** In front of Miyajima Pier

**INQUIRIES:** Miyajima Tourist Association 0829-  
44-2011

## Ju-san-mairi Kodomo Mame-maki (Bean-throwing)

じゅうさんまい ことまめ  
十三参り子供豆まき

2020 is the year of the rat. 12-year-old-children  
who were born in the year of the mouse will throw  
beans in a "*mame-maki*" ritual to pray for  
happiness throughout the year.

**WHEN:** February 9 (Sun.), from 11:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** Daishoin Temple

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

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## Memorial Service for Used Kitchen Knives

ぼうちょうくよう  
庖丁供養

This is a ritual to show gratitude for well-used kitchen knives.

**WHEN:** March 8 (Sun.), from 11:00 am onwards

**WHERE:** Daishoin Temple

**FEE:** Free

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

## Events Held Outside of Hiroshima City

### Hina Matsuri (Girls' Festival) Events

March 3<sup>rd</sup> is *Hina Matsuri* (*Hina Festival*), a day to wish girls good health and a long life. Most families with daughters celebrate by displaying *hina* dolls. The dolls are offered sweetened puffed rice (*hina-arare*), white *sake* containing rice malt (*shirozake*), colored lozenge-shaped rice cakes (*hishi-mochi*), and other things (abstracted from The Japanese-English Dictionary for Conversation about Japan, p.578, Obunsha). Antique *hina* dolls will be on display at this event. Various events will also be held during the event period.

### Hina Doll Display in Takehara

たけはら町並み雛めぐり

**WHEN:** February 8 (Sat.) – March 22 (Sun.), 10:00 am – 4:00 pm (some places will open until 5:00 pm.)

**WHERE:** Around the Special Directory of Historical Buildings Area in Takehara City

**ACCESS:** 15 minutes' walk from JR Takehara Station (JR Kure Line).

**ADMISSION FEE:** Some places will require an admission fee.

**INQUIRIES:** NPO Network Takehara 0846-22-0214

### Hina Matsuri (Girls' Festival) in Tomo

とちまちなみ  
鞆・町並ひな祭

**WHEN:** February 22 (Sat.) – March 22 (Sun.), open hours vary according to facilities. ★ *Tomo-no-ura Rekishi Minzoku Shiryô Kan* (museum): 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

**WHERE:** Tomo-cho, Fukuyama City

**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Fukuyama Station (JR Sanyo Line) and get off at Tomo-no-ura (a 30 min. bus ride).

**ADMISSION FEE:** Free ★ Admission Fee for *Tomo-no-ura Rekishi Minzoku Shiryô Kan* is required (adults & university students: ¥150, high school students and under: free).

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee (*Tomo-no-ura Rekishi Minzoku Shiryô Kan*) 080-5614-2778

## Hina Matsuri (girl's festival) in Jogocho

てんりょうじょうげ  
天領上下ひなまつり

**WHEN:** February 22 (Sat.) – March 22 (Sun.)

◆ A market area, "*Deko-ichi*", will be held on February 29 & March 1.

◆ *Kodawari-ichi* market will be held on March 21 & 22.

**WHERE:** Jogo-cho Shopping Street (*shirakabe no machinami*), Jogo-cho, Fuchu City

**ACCESS:** 3 minutes' walk from JR Jogo Station (JR Fukuen Line).

**FEE:** Admission fee of the Okina-za, a theater (¥200) will be required. Okina-za opens on Sat., Sun. & national holidays only.

**INQUIRIES:** Executive Committee 0847-62-3999

### Other Events

### Setsubun-sai at Kibitsuhiro Shrine

(Ikkyu Shrine) きびつひこじんじや いっきゅうじんじや  
吉備津彦神社 (一宮神社)

せつぶんさい  
節分祭

**WHEN:** February 3 (Mon.)

◆ From 7:30 pm onwards: Ritual

◆ 8:00 pm – 8:30 pm: *mame-maki* (bean-throwing)

**WHERE:** Kibitsuhiro Shrine (Ikkyu Shrine), Onomichi City

**ACCESS:** 10 minutes' walk from JR Onomichi Station (JR Sanyo Line).

**INQUIRIES:** Kibitsuhiro Shrine 0848-22-5545

### Mihara Shinmei-ichi Market

みはらしんめいいち  
三原神明市

This is a festival with a 440 years history. Stalls selling things such as plants and *daruma* (Dharma dolls) will be set up.

**WHEN:** February 7 (Fri.) – 9 (Sun.), 9:00 am – 8:00 pm

**WHERE:** Around the north area of JR Mihara Station, Mihara City

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

**INQUIRIES:** Ukishiro Lobby Tourist Information Center 0848-67-5877

### Oyumi-shinji Ritual at Nunakuma Shrine

ぬなくまじんじや おゆみしんじ  
沼名前神社 お弓神社

This is a ritual to pray for good health and fortune throughout the year by shooting an arrow at a target. This ritual is designated as an intangible folklore cultural property of Fukuyama City.

**WHEN:** February 9 (Sun.), 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

**WHERE:** Nunakuma Shrine, Tomo-cho, Fukuyama City

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**ACCESS:** Take a bus from JR Fukuyama Station (JR Sanyo Line) and get off at Tomo-no-ura (a 30 min. bus ride). 10 minutes' walk from there.

**INQUIRIES:** Nunakuma Shrine 084-982-2050

## Ofuku Biraki-sai & Hadaka Matsuri at Kui Inari Shrine

久井稲荷神社 御福開祭・はだか祭り

Hadaka Matsuri is a festival where a group of young men wearing only loincloths rush into the temple after purifying their bodies in the river. Then, they scramble for a pair of *shingi* or *fukugi* (sacred wands) thrown down into the darkness by a temple priest from the upper floor of the temple. The person who catches a sacred wand is assured happiness throughout the year.

Hadaka Matsuri is a traditional Japanese festival. It is held in various areas of Japan during this season. Hadaka Matsuri at Kui Inari Shrine is the only Hadaka Matsuri held in Hiroshima Prefecture.

**WHEN:** February 15 (Sat.)

- ◆ *Ofuku Biraki-sai* (ritual): from 4:00 pm onwards
- ◆ *Hadaka Matsuri*: from 9:00 pm onwards

**WHERE:** Kui Inari Shrine, Mihara City

**ACCESS:** From JR Mihara Station (JR Sanyo Line), take a bus bound for Kozan and get off at Kui Shinryôjo-mae (a 30 min. bus ride). 5 minutes' walk from there.

**INQUIRIES:** Kui Inari Shrine 0847-32-6029

## The 17<sup>th</sup> International Exchange Festival in Kure

第17回国際交流フェスタ in くれ

**WHEN:** February 16 (Sun.), 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

**WHERE:** Kure City Hall, 1F, Kure City

**ACCESS:** 10 minutes' walk from JR Kure Station (JR Kure Line).

**INQUIRIES:** Kure International Exchange Association 0823-25-5607

## Grand Tour Setouchi 2020 (cycling event) グラン・ツール・せとうち 2020

Setouchi Shimanami Kaido is the expressway connecting six islands in the Seto Inland Sea with seven bridges between Onomichi City (Hiroshima Pref.) and Imabari City (Ehime Pref.).

There will be aid stations offering drinks and light meals.

**WHERE:** Setouchi Shimanami Kaido, Onomichi & Imabari City

**START & FINISH LINE:**

**170km, 140km, 110km & 70km course:**

Mukaishima Undo Park, Onomichi City

**40km course:**

Manda Hakkô Company, Onomichi City

**ACCESS:**

**Mukaishima Undo Park:**

① 5 minutes' driving from Mukaishima I.C. on the Shimanamikaido Expressway. ② From Onomichi Port (in front of JR Onomichi Station), get on a ferry to Mukaishima.

**Manda Hakkou Company:**

① 10 minutes' driving from Innoshima-kita I.C. on the Shimanamikaido Expressway. ② From Onomichi Port, get on a ferry and get off at Innoshima Shigei Higashi Port. It takes 20 minutes by bicycle from there.

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** You can register online until March 8 (Sun.).

★ Registration will be closed when all 2,200 spots are full. ★ **Registration for the 170km course has been closed.**

**ELIGIBILITY FOR PARTICIPATION:**

People who (a) are elementary school-aged or older and (b) can complete the course within the time limit. Participants are all required to agree to the event rules. Please check the website below for more information.

- For the 170km course, people of junior high school age or older may take part.
- Elementary and junior high school students should be accompanied by a parent or guardian (parents and guardians are also required to take part.)

**COURSES & PARTICIPATION FEE:**

- Shimanami Extra Course (170km): ¥9,000 (Max. 100 people)
- Shimanami Master Course (145km): ¥9,000 (Max. 900 people)
- Shimanami Middle Course (110km): ¥8,000 (Max. 500 people)
- Shimanami Short Course (70km): ¥7,000 (Max. 500 people)
- Shimanami Happy Course (40km): ¥5,500 (Max. 200 people)

**INQUIRIES:** Grand Tour Setouchi Office (inside Hiroshima TV) 082-567-2500 (10 am – 6 pm on weekdays)

Website: <http://www.htv.jp/grandtour/index.html>

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# Family Days Out

## Facilities

(Address / Telephone / Opening Hours / Closed / Admission Fee / URL)

Admission is generally allowed up to 30 min. prior to closing.

### Look out for this symbol: ☆

These events require advance applications.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Send an *ôfuku-hagaki* (return postcard) to each facility with the following:

- ① your name(s)
- ② address
- ③ telephone number
- ④ age
- ⑤ school name & year (of any elementary school students)
- ⑥ the event name
- ⑦ time slot (if there are more than 2 time slots in an event.)

<NOTES>

**☑ + number:** Participants are selected at random from all the applicants.

**☑ + number:** Participants are accepted first come, first served.

## Hiroshima City Forest Park & Insectarium

(10173 Fujigamaru, Fukuda-cho, Higashi-ku 732-0036)

■ **Forest Park:** 899-8241 / 9:00 am – 4:30 pm / Closed: Wednesdays / Admission fee: Free / <http://www.daiichibs-shitei.com/forest/>

■ **Insectarium:** 899-8964 / 9:00 am – 4:30 pm / Closed: Wednesdays / Admission Fee: Adults: ¥510, Seniors & high school students: ¥170, Junior high & elementary school students: Free (Free admission for high school students on Saturdays, except on national holidays and during school holidays) / <http://www.hiro-kon.jp/>

### Events at the Forest Park

☞ **St. Valentine's Day Event** / February 9 (Sun.) & 11 (Tues.) / 10:00 am - 3:00 pm / Kanri Center / ☑ 100 couples ★ Free photo service and chocolates for male visitors will be offered.

☞ **Make & Eat a Baumkuchen** / February 23 (Sun.) / 9:30 am – 1:00 pm / Chuo Hiroba / Fee: ¥200/group / ☑100 groups ★ Participants will be accepted from 9:00 am on the day. ★ This will be postponed until Feb. 24 if it rains on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

☞ **Make a Pizza** ☆ / February 29 (Sat.) / 10:00 am – 1:00 pm / For elementary school students and their parents or guardians / Ringyô Taiken Hiroba / Participation fee: Free ★ Participants must bring their own ingredients. / Apply by February 13 (Thurs.) / ☑15 groups by lot

## The Hiroshima Botanical Garden

(3-495 Kurashige, Saeki-ku 731-5156 / 922-3600 / 9:00 am – 4:30 pm / Closed on Fridays / Adults: ¥510, Seniors & high school students: ¥170, Junior high and elementary school students: Free) / <http://www.hiroshima-bot.jp/>

### EXHIBITIONS

Exhibitions will close at 3:30 pm on their last day.

#### ❖ Museum Exhibitions

☞ **Secrets of Cacao and Chocolate** / February 1 (Sat.) – 16 (Sun.)

☞ **Floral Decorations** / February 22 (Sat.) – 27 (Thurs.)

☞ **The World of Plant Dyeing** / February 29 (Sat.) – April 2 (Thurs.)

#### ❖ Greenhouse Exhibitions

☞ **Winter Plants** / Until February 9 (Sun.)

☞ **Omoto (Japanese Sacred Lily)** / February 11 (Tues.) – 17 (Mon.)

☞ **Geraniums** / March 7 (Sat.) – April 15 (Wed.)

#### ❖ Outdoor Exhibitions

☞ **Spring Orchids** / February 22 (Sat.) – March 1 (Sun.)

☞ **Christmas Roses** / February 22 (Sat.) – March 1 (Sun.)

### EVENT

☞ **St. Valentine's Day Festival** / February 8 (Sat.) – 11 (Tues.) ★ Various events such as cacao tasting.

### LECTURES

☞ **Cacao Grinding Demonstration** / February 8 (Sat.) & 9 (Sun.) / ① 11:00 am ② 1:30 pm

☞ **Floral Decorations** / February 23 (Sun.) / ① 11:00 am – noon ② 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

☞ **Plant Dyeing** / March 1 (Sun.) / 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

☞ **Junior Project: Learn about nature through fun outdoor activities** / March 8 (Sun.) / ① 11:00 am – noon ② 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

### GARDENING LESSONS

☞ **Omoto (Japanese Sacred Lily)** / February 15 (Sat.) / 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

☞ **Christmas Roses** / February 22 (Sat.), 23 (Sun.), 29 (Sat.) & March 1 (Sun.) / 11:00 am – noon

☞ **Orchids** / February 23 (Sun.), 24 (Mon.), 29 (Sat.) & March 1 (Sun.) / 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

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## 5-Days Children's Museum of Culture and Science

(5-83 Motomachi, Naka-ku 730-0011 / 222-5346 / 9:00 am – 5:00 pm / Closed on February 3, 10, 12, 17, 25 & 26 / Admission fee is required for the planetarium (see below). / <http://www.pyonta.city.hiroshima.jp/>)

### PLANETARIUM PROGRAMS

**Admission Fee for Planetarium:** Adults: ¥510, Seniors & high school students: ¥250, Junior high & elementary school students: Free ★ Free admission for high school students on Saturdays (except on most national holidays and during school holidays). Admission fee for adults is ¥250 on the second Saturday of every month (except on most national holidays and during school holidays).

#### ☆ Planetarium Shows (45 min.)

- **Aurora in Finland** / Until March 1 (Sun.) / ♦ Weekdays: 11:00 am ♦ Sat., Sun. & national holidays: ① 10:00 am ② 3:00 pm
- **The Moon on a Sleepless Night** / Until July 15 (Wed.) / ♦ Weekdays: 2:00 pm ♦ Sat., Sun. & national holidays: ① 11:00 am ② 2:00 pm
- ☆ **360° Full Dome Shows: Little Gray Panda (40 min.)** / Until April 24 (Fri.) / ♦ Weekdays: 3:00 pm ♦ Sat., Sun. & national holidays: 1:00 pm
- ☆ **Refretarium: 2019-20 Winter Program (20 min.)** / Until March 13 (Fri.) / ♦ Weekdays: 1:00 pm ♦ Sat., Sun. & national holidays: 4:00 pm / High school students and above: ¥200  
★ Refresh your mind and body during the day while watching the starry sky and listening to music. Although this is aimed at adults, anyone who wishes to rejuvenate themselves is welcome.
- ☆ **Starry Sky Tour: Tonight's Starry Sky & the Curious Relationship between the Moon and Sea (50 min.)** / Until April 12 (Sun.) / 4:00 pm

### EVENTS

- ☆ **The 12<sup>th</sup> Hiroshima Children's Rakugo Performance (Rakugo is traditional Japanese comic story telling)** / February 9 (Sun.) / 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm (Doors will open at 1:45 pm.) / 1F, Apollo Hall (250 seats) / Free admission
- ☆ **Craft Workshops** / Sundays, February 2, 9 & 16 / 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm / For children under elementary school entry age, elementary school students (the 1<sup>st</sup> – the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade) and their guardians / 3F, Craft Room (Kôsaku-shitsu) / Fee: ¥30 for materials ★ The content of each workshop is different. For more information, please contact the museum.
- ☆ **Science Show: Static Electricity** / February 23 (Sun.) / ① 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm ② 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm / 1F, Science Studio / Fee: Free

🔍 The events listed below require advance applications.

### Science Workshops

● **Take a Cellphone Apart** (携帯電話分解教室～ 携帯電話を自分の手で分解しよう～ "Keitai denwa bunkai kyôshitsu: keitai denwa wo jibun no tede bunkai shiyô") / February 22 (Sat.) / ① 10:00 am – noon ② 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm / For elementary (the 4<sup>th</sup> – the 6<sup>th</sup> grade) school students and their parents or guardians / Fee: Free / Apply by February 8 (Sat.) / ①16 people by lot for each time slot

● **Flight Science ③: Circular Wing Airplane** (飛行の科学③円盤型飛行器 "Hikoô no kagaku ③: enbangata hikôki") / March 15 (Sun.) / 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm / For elementary (the 3<sup>rd</sup> – the 6<sup>th</sup> grade) and junior high school students / Fee: ¥400 / Apply by March 1 (Sun.) / ①16 people by lot

### Craft Workshops

● **Stained Glass** (大人の創作教室 ステンドグラス "otona no sôsaku kyôshitsu: stained glass") / March 1 (Sun.) / ① 9:30 am – noon ② 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm / For high school students and above / Fee: ¥1,500 / Apply by February 16 (Sun.) / ①12 people by lot for each time slot

## Hiroshima City Asa Zoological Park

(Asa-cho Dôbutsuen, Asakita-ku 731-3355 / 838-1111 / 9:00 am – 4:30 pm / Closed on Thursdays / Adults: ¥510, Seniors & high school students: ¥170, Junior high & elementary school students: Free / <http://www.asazoo.jp/>)

#### ★ Free admission on February 11 ★

- 🐾 **Asa Zoo & "Miyaji-marine" (Miyajima Public Aquarium) Collaboration Event 2019: Stamp Rally** / Until March 31 (Tues.)
- 🐾 **Hiroshima City University, Faculty of Arts, Japanese Paintings Exhibition** / Until March 1 (Sun.)
- 🐾 **Backyard Guide Tour** / Saturdays, February 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 / ① 11:00 am (except for the 29<sup>th</sup>) ② 1:30 pm / Please gather near the entrance at 9:00 am on each activity day. The first 10 – 40 people can participate. The maximum number of participants depends on where you visit. The tours will explore a different enclosure or other place in the Zoo on each trip.
- 🐾 **Learn about Animals with Manga & a Quizzes** / Sundays, February 9, 16 & 23 / 9:00 am – 3:00 pm ★ Participants will be accepted until noon. / ①1,000 people each day
- 🐾 **Animal Capture Training Observation** / February 11 (Tues.) / 2:00 pm ★ You can watch training on how to catch an escaped animal.  
★ This will be canceled if it rains.

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**🦎 Facility Tour: Giant Salamander** / February 29 (Sat.) / 11:00 am – 11:45 am / 20 people  
★ Participation tickets will be distributed from 9:00 am at the main entrance.

### Numaji Transportation Museum

(2-12-2 Chorakuji, Asaminami-ku 731-0143 / 878-6211 / 9:00 am – 5:00 pm / Closed on February 3, 10, 12, 17, 25 & 26 / Adults: ¥510, Seniors & high school students: ¥250, Junior high school students and under: Free / <http://www.vehicle.city.hiroshima.jp>)

🚗 **Vehicle Park** / February 8 (Sat.), 9 (Sun.) & 11 (Tues.) / 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm / 1F, Craft Room & *Tamokuteki* Hall / Fee: Free

🚗 **See the Streetcar Exposed to the A-Bomb** / February 15 (Sat.) / ① 11:00 am – noon ② 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm / Outdoor Open Space (*okugai hiroba*) / Fee: Free ★ This will be canceled if the weather is bad.

🚗 **Vehicle Land: Playing with Toy Cars** / February 15 (Sat.) & 16 (Sun.) / 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm / 1F, *Tamokuteki* Hall / Fee: Free

📖 **Picture Book Reading** / February 16 (Sun.) / 11:00 am – 11:20 am / 1F, *Tamokuteki* Hall / Fee: Free

🚗 **Safety License for Children – Answer a quiz about the rules of the road and get a “safety license”** / February 22 (Sat.) / ① 10:00 am – noon ② 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm / 1F, *Tamokuteki* Hall / Fee: Free

🚗 **Children’s Craft Workshops** / Sundays, February 2, 16, 23 & March 1; February 24 (Mon.) / 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm / 1F, Craft Room / For preschoolers, elementary school students and their parents or guardians / Fee: ¥50 for materials / 100 groups each day ★ Numbered tickets will be distributed from 12:30 pm.

### Hiroshima City Ebayama Museum of Meteorology

(1-40-1 Eba-minami, Naka-ku 730-0835 / 231-0177 / 9:00 am – 5:00 pm / Closed on February 3, 10, 12, 17, 25 & 26 / Adults: ¥100, Seniors & high school students: ¥50, Junior high & elementary school students: Free (Free admission for high school students on Saturdays except during school holidays) / <http://www.ebayama.jp/>)

🌟 **Science Shows** / ① 1:30 pm – 2:00 pm ② 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm

⚡ **Static Electricity** / February 2 (Sun.), 8 (Sat.), 9 (Sun.) & 11 (Tue.)

🎈 **Balloons** / February 15 (Sat.), 16 (Sun.), 23 (Sun.), 24 (Mon.) & 29 (Sat.)

🎩 **Science Magic** / March 1 (Sun.), 8 (Sun.), 14 (Sat.) & 15 (Sun.)

🔬 **Science Workshops** / February 1 (Sat.) & 22 (Sat.) / 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm / Material fee: ¥100 for the workshop on Feb. 1 & ¥60 for the workshop on Feb. 22 / 50 people ★ Participants will be accepted from 10:00 am.

🌟 **Special Exhibition: Let’s Enjoy! Science Attractions** / Until March 15 (Sun.)

### Hiroshima City Museum of History and Traditional Crafts

(2-6-20 Ujina-miyuki, Minami-ku 734-0015 / 253-6771 / 9:00 am – 5:00 pm / Closed on February 3, 4, 10, 12, 17, 18, 25 & 26 / Adults: ¥100, Seniors & high school students: ¥50, Junior high school students and under: Free / <http://www.cf.city.hiroshima.jp/kyodo/>)

#### EXHIBITION

🏰 **Castle Town Hiroshima in the Edo Period** / Until February 24 (Mon.)

🌟 **Hiroshima Domain’s Special Local Products in the Edo Period** / March 7 (Sat.) – May 6 (Wed.)

🌟 **Panel Exhibition: In this Corner of the World** / February 28 (Fri.) – May 6 (Wed.)

#### WORKSHOPS ☎ Applications are accepted by phone or fax.

🍪 **Make a Baumkuchen** / February 15 (Sat.) / 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm / Elementary school students / Fee: ¥300 / Apply between Feb. 1 and 6 / 20 people

🎯 **Make Wara-zōri (straw sandals)** / February 29 (Sat.) / 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm / Elementary school students and above / Fee: ¥500 / Apply between Feb. 1 and 6 / 15 people

🍙 **Make a Bota-mochi, a rice cake covered with anko, bean jam** / March 20 (Fri.) / 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm / Elementary school students / Fee: ¥200 / Apply between Mar. 1 and 5 / 20 people

### Hiroshima City Cinematographic and Audio-Visual Library

(3-1 Motomachi, Naka-ku 730-0011 / 223-3525 / 10:00 am – 8:00 pm (Tuesday – Saturday), 10:00 am – 5:00 pm (Sunday, national holidays & August 6) / Closed on February 3, 10, 12, 17 & 25 / 35mm Film Showings ⇒ Adults: ¥510, Seniors & High school students: ¥250, Junior high school students and under: Free; Other Film Showings ⇒ Adults: ¥380, Seniors & high school student: ¥180, Junior high school students and under: Free ★ **Admission free for foreign students (Please show your**

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**student ID or the Hiroshima International Center Complimentary Pass.) /**  
<http://www.cf.city.hiroshima.jp/eizou/>

### **About the Library (from the Library's website)**

The purpose of the library is to contribute to the expansion, promotion, and progress of audio-visual culture.

### **Programs**

**Program:** Masterpieces of Japanese film and films in connection with Hiroshima are shown.

**Special Showings of Foreign Films:** Masterpieces of foreign film are shown.

**Record Concerts:** Concerts with commentary mainly of classical and popular music are held regularly, free in charge.

**Culture Lectures:** Lectures and symposia by experts on cinematography are held, free of charge.

### **Monthly Programs**

**For a more detailed screening schedule, please check the Library's website!**

❶ **Special Showings of Masterpieces of Japanese Film: International Award-Winning Films (Screened in Japanese only)**

❷ **Origins of Art (Screened in original languages with Japanese subtitles)**

❸ **PFF (PIA Film Festival) Award Selection (Screened in Japanese only)**

★ PFF award-winning films in 2017 & 2018 will be screened.

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