



Announcements from Gifu Prefecture

January, 2019

This Month's Highlights

Walk the 17 Nakasendo Stations Spring 2019

Explore the prefecture via Gifu's Nakasendo with our walking programs. Within Gifu Prefecture, the Nakasendo stretches across 126.5km and 17 stations. The theme for this season is "flowers and sake", with programs offering experiences which can only be enjoyed at this time of year, such as making *mitake hanazushi* and trying local sake.



Mitake hanazushi and temarizushi

- ◆ **When:** February 3 (Sun.) to March 24 (Sun.)
- ◆ **Where:** the Nakasendo and surrounding area within Gifu Prefecture
- ◆ **Cost/How to Apply/Application Deadline:** varies by program
- ◆ **Inquiries:** Gifu Historical Roads Tourism Office (*Gifu Rekishi Kaido Tourism Jimukyoku*)
☎0584-71-6134 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keyword:** 中山道ぎふ17宿歩き旅

● Prefecture Population
1,999,406 people (down 433)
 Men: 969,518 people (down 122)
 Women: 1,029,888 people (down 311)
 ※as of October 1, 2018
 ※stats in parentheses are a comparison with the previous month
 See the prefectural Statistics Division site for the most recent information.

Facebook 「Seiryu no Kuni Gifu」
 Dispatching information at Minamo Dayori!!

Pref. Gov. PR
 Television Show
 "Gifu Pref. Hot Line" Now airing
 (Air Date) Thurs. 18:53~18:57
 (Rerun Date) Tues. 21:54~21:58

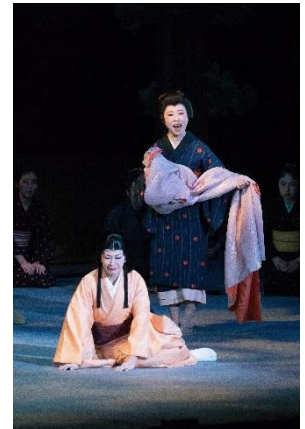
"Announcements from Gifu Prefecture" also available via data broadcast on Gifu Channel (Channel 8)!

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The Original Operas of Hida and Mino

The Gifu Foundation for Education and Culture puts on original operas based on the history and culture of various localities within the prefecture. This year marks the 20th anniversary since these performances began, and so we will be staging some of the most popular pieces from the last 20 years, "Tsubakiyashiki", "Kitsune no Yomeiri", and "Nishishinobiike".



Last year's performance

- ◆ **When:** February 10 (Sun.)
- ◆ **Where:** Gifu Seiryu Bunka Plaza (3-42 Gakuen-cho, Gifu-shi)
- ◆ **Fee:** general admission: ¥2000, high school and under: ¥1000
- ◆ **Inquiries:** Gifu Foundation for Education and Culture
☎058-233-8161 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keyword:** ひだ・みの創作オペラ

Information Corner

Announcement Kitchen Car Grand Prix at Hana Festa

Kitchen cars from across the Tokai region will be gathered together at this event. Come along and vote for your favorite foods and kitchen car designs.

- **When:** January 12 (Sat.) to 14 (Mon., national holiday), 19 (Sat.) to 20 (Sun.) 9:30 to 16:00
 ※Entry to the park will be free of charge for these 5 days.
- **Where:** Flower Festival Commemorative Park (Kani-shi)
- **Inquiries:** Flower Festival Commemorative Park ☎0574-63-7373 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keyword:** 花フェスタ記念公園

Notice Please Pay Your Employees' Individual Inhabitants' Taxes by Special Collection

The special collection of individual inhabitants' tax is a system whereby business owners (salary payers) deduct individual inhabitants' taxes from their employees' (taxpayers') monthly salaries in the same manner as income tax. By law, business owners have a responsibility to pay their employees' individual inhabitants' taxes by special collection, so we ask that you make this changeover.

- **Inquiries:** Taxation Division or the residents' tax department at your municipality
- **Search Keyword:** 岐阜県 特別徴収

Announcement All-Gifu Companies Job Fair in Nagoya

100 of Gifu's best companies will be gathered together in Nagoya to meet university and junior college students about to begin their job searches. Those who are interested in companies in Gifu and are looking to find employment within the prefecture are welcome to attend.

- **When:** February 3 (Sun.) 11:00 to 17:00
- **Where:** Port Messe Nagoya Building 2 (Nagoya-shi)
- **Cost:** free of charge
- **Inquiries:** Industry Human Resources Division
- ☎ 058-272-8406 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keyword:** オール岐阜・企業フェス in 名古屋

Announcement Please Register to Receive the Prefectural Police's Safety and Security Email Alerts

The Prefectural Police sends out email alerts regarding incidents of people being approached or followed by suspicious individuals. Please register to receive these emails and help to protect children from crime. Apart from alerts about sightings of suspicious individuals, we also send out information about robberies and new kinds of telephone scams.

- **Inquiries:** Prefectural Police Community Safety Administration Division ☎ 058-271-2424 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keywords:** 岐阜県警察 安全・安心メール

Announcement Obtain Passport Applications Online

It is now possible to fill in passport applications on your home computer via the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' website. These applications can be submitted to your city/town/village hall.

※Applications can still be made using the previous application forms.

※This information applies to applications for Japanese passports only.

- **Download the Application Form:** fill in the required information on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' website, print out the form and sign and submit it along with the required documentation.
- **Inquiries:** Passport Center ☎ 058-277-1000 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keyword:** 岐阜県 パスポート

Call for Participants Seeking Participants for Course on Mountain Climbing in Gifu Prefecture

We are holding a one-day course to prevent mountaineering accidents and promote fun, safe mountain climbing. Participants will be able to expand their mountain climbing knowledge and pick up mountain climbing techniques.

- **When:** February 23 (Sat.) from 9:00
- **Where:** OKB Fureai Kaikan (Gifu-shi)
- **Capacity:** 120 people (first-come first-served)
- **Application deadline:** applications must be received by February 15 (Fri.)
- **Applications/Inquiries:** Sports Promotion Division ☎058-272-8762 (Japanese only)
- **Search Keywords:** 岐阜県登山講習会

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