



Gifu Prefecture Public Relations

Announcements from Gifu Prefecture

October, 2017

This Month's Highlights

“Walk the 17 Nakasendō stations of Gifu 2017”

During the next two months, the Nakasendō and surrounding area within Gifu Prefecture will play host to “Walk the 17 Nakasendō stations of Gifu 2017”. Those who visit the ancient “highway through the mountains” during this period will have over 100 different activities to choose from. On the “experience program” visitors will be able to try local delicacies and crafting, on the “strolling program” expert guides will entertain walkers with fascinating new insights, while the “walking program” will refresh both your mind and body. If you get the chance, please come and visit the Nakasendō this autumn.



Cobbled Paths of Utōzaka, National Historic Site (Mitake area, Nakasendō)

- ◆**When:** 1 October (Sun.) to 30 November (Thurs.)
- ◆**Where:** the Nakasendō and surrounding area within Gifu Prefecture
- ◆**Fee/Applications:** different for each program
※Details can be found online
- ◆**Inquiries:** Gifu 17-Shuku Nakasendō Office
☎ 0584-71-6134 (in Japanese only)
- ◆**Search Keyword:** 中山道ぎふ17宿歩き旅

●Prefecture Population
2,012,755 people (down 751)
Men: 975,200 people (down 242)
Women: 1,037,555 people (down 509)
※as of July 1, 2017
※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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Have You Heard of Help Marks?

●What are Help Marks?

Help Marks are badges which those with invisible disabilities can attach to places such as their bags to indicate that they would appreciate the consideration and assistance of the people around them.

●If you see someone with a Help Mark

Please be thoughtful and give them your seat or ask them if they would like any assistance. In the case of a disaster or other emergency, please help them to evacuate safely.

* If the badge holder has opted in, there will be a sticker with necessary information about how to assist on the other side of the badge.



Help Mark

◆Help Marks can be obtained from:

- Local Municipal Disability Welfare Departments,
- Prefectural Office Welfare Division,
- Disability Welfare Division
- ◆**Inquiries:** Disability Welfare Division
☎058-272-8309 (in Japanese only)
FAX: 058-278-2643

Information Corner

Announcement National Fire Prevention Awareness Autumn

We are entering a season when there is a greater risk of fires breaking out due to the dry autumn air. As well as making

sure your home has a fire alarm, please be careful when handling fire and follow proper procedures during cleanup and disposal.

<2017 National Fire Safety Slogan>

“Treat Fire With Caution”: Putting Words into Action

- **When:** 9 November (Thurs.) to 15 November (Wed.)
- **Inquiries:** Fire Services Division or relevant municipal fire department

Announcement 3rd Annual ‘Tomoni’ Project Exhibition Now Open

Textiles woven from the Japanese cotton harvested during last year’s “Tomoni” Connect Japanese Cotton Project” are currently being exhibited at Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza. Panels introducing various projects in which designers, facilities for disabled people, businesses, and local residents have participated are also being exhibited.

- **When:** 23 September (Sat., national holiday) to 5 November (Sun.)
- **Where:** Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza 1F Residents’ Culture and Art Gallery (Gifu-shi)
- **Entrance Fee:** free of charge
- **Inquiries:** Gifu Foundation for Education and Culture Plaza Operations Department
- ☎ 058-223-8164 (in Japanese only)
- **Search Keyword:** ぎふ清流文化プラザ 文化振興事業

Announcement Gifu Prefectural Police 22nd Annual Wind Band Concert

The Gifu Prefectural Police Wind Band will play a selection of music for people of all ages to enjoy. All are welcome to attend.

- **When:** 2 December (Sat.). Performance begins at 14:00.
 - **Where:** Nagaragawa Convention Center (Gifu-shi)
 - **Attendance Capacity:** 1500 people (if applications exceed capacity, attendees will be chosen by lottery)
 - **Fee:** free of charge (application necessary in order to reserve seats)
 - **How to Apply:** via return-paid postcard with name, address, telephone number, number of attendees (up to 4 people) and their ages. (Details can be found online)
 - **Application Deadline:** 20 October (Fri.) (postmarks on day of deadline valid)
 - **Applications/Inquiries:** Gifu Prefectural Police Headquarters Public Relations Department
(2-1-1 Yabuta-minami, Gifu-shi, 500-8501) ☎ 058-271-2424 Extension 2173/2174 (in Japanese only)
- Search Keyword:** 岐阜県警察音楽隊

Announcement 31st Annual Gifu Agricultural Festival

The Annual Gifu Agricultural Festival is Gifu prefecture’s largest agricultural event. Fresh fruit and vegetables, animal products and processed foods from all across the prefecture will be on display and available for purchase. All are welcome to come along.

- **When:** 28 October (Sat.) 10:00 to 16:00
29 October (Sun.) 9:00 to 16:00
- **Where:** by the Prefectural Office (Gifu-shi)
- **Inquiries:** Agricultural Products Distribution Division ☎ 058-272-8417 (in Japanese only) FAX: 058-272-2682
- **Search Keyword:** 農フェス

Announcement October is “Bone Marrow Donor Registration Promotion Month”

Bone marrow/peripheral blood stem cell transplants are a form of treatment for blood disorders such as leukemia. In Japan, over 3000 patients are waiting to receive such transplants.

Please consider registering as a bone marrow donor so that as many patients as possible might have the opportunity to receive transplants.

- **Where to register:** Gifu Red Cross Blood Center and certain health care centers within the prefecture (Gifu, Seino, Seki, Tōnō, Hida)
- **Inquiries:** Public Health and Medical Treatment Division ☎ 058-272-8276 (in Japanese only)

Japan Bone Marrow Donor Registry ☎ 03-5280-1789 (in Japanese only)

●**Search Keyword:** Japan Bone Marrow Donor Registry

Announcement Autumn Rose Festival

Visitors to the Autumn Rose Festival will be able to enjoy the Memorial Park's colorful and sweet-smelling roses, which are at their most beautiful during the autumn season. Throughout the festival period there will be guided tours of the rose gardens and on-stage events, as well as plenty of local delicacies available to sample. All are welcome.

●**When:** October 7th (Sat.) to November 5th (Sun.)

●**Where:** Hana Festa Memorial Park (Kani-shi)

●**Fee:** ¥1000 for adults, free for senior high school students and under

●**Inquiries:** Hana Festa Memorial Park ☎ 0574-63-7373 (in Japanese only)

Search Keyword: 花フェスタ記念公園

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