



Gifu Prefecture Public Relations Announcements from Gifu Prefecture



February, 2017

Events to Check Out This Month

Museum of Modern Ceramic Art, Gifu The Beauty of Imari Ware: The World of Blue Underglaze Porcelain Plates

In the late Edo period, the blue underglaze porcelain plates of Imari were lavish decorations used for celebrations and special occasions. These large plates, up to 60 cm in diameter, bore depictions of *kisshomon* designs and Edo fashions and scenery, popular among the Japanese of the era. The beauty of the blue underglaze, and the *iki* aesthetic ideal of Edo townspeople, are transmitted to the present across the surface of these plates. You can examine their splendid charm in this hall display of 140 blue underglaze plates.



Blue Underglaze Plate of Ebisu by a Large Bridge. Private Collection
(Photo: Sekai Bunka Publishing Inc.)

※*Kisshomon* are designs of plants, animals, etc. believed to bring good luck.

- ◆**Exhibit Period:** Until April 9th (Sunday)
- ◆**Place:** Museum of Modern Ceramic Art, Gifu
(Gifu-Ken Gendai Togei Bijutsukan,
Tajimi-shi Higashi-Machi 4-2-5)
- ◆**Entrance Fee:** Adults ¥900, College students ¥700
Free admission for high-schoolers and below.
- ◆**Inquiries:** Museum of Modern Ceramic Art, Gifu
☎0572-28-3100 (in Japanese only)
FAX 0572-28-3101

- Prefecture Population
2,031,903 people
- Households in Gifu Pref.
753,212 households

※as of Oct. 1, 2015
(results of 2015 national census)

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) Sun. 20:56~21:00

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(Channel 8) –
check it out!



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Gifu Prefectural Museum Ancient Beasts Restored to Life in Art ~The World of Takashi Oda~

Artists and researchers collaborate to create scientifically accurate



Iguanodontia crossing a body of water
(Illustration by Takashi Oda)

“restoration images” of how creatures of ancient times like dinosaurs would have looked, based on information gained from fossil research. In this exhibit, we will display works by Japan’s top dinosaur restoration artist, Takashi Oda, explain the process of restoration image creation, and introduce the appearance and ecology of dinosaurs which went extinct 66,000,000 years ago.

- ◆**Exhibit Period:** Until April 9th (Sunday)
- ◆**Place:** Gifu Prefectural Museum
(Gifu Ken Hakubutsu Kan, Seki-shi, Oyana 1989)
- ◆**Entrance Fee:** Adults ¥330, College Students ¥110
Free admission for high-schoolers and below.
- ◆**Inquiries:** Gifu Prefectural Museum
☎0575-28-3111 (in Japanese only)
FAX 0575-28-3110

Information Corner

Announcement “Gifu, Land of Clear Waters ~ New Year *Jikabuki* Performances” Upcoming

Gifu Prefecture has a proud tradition of *jikabuki*, wherein amateur actors perform famous kabuki plays. We will hold New Year Performances by the Sami Jikabuki Performance Committee (Shirakawa), Mino Kabuki Preservation Society (Mizunami), and Kani Jikabuki Society (Kani). Come and see their *jikabuki* show.

- Time:** Sunday, February 19th, 13:00 (Doors open at 12:30)
- Place:** Gifu Seiryu Bunka Plaza, Nagara River Hall (Gifu-shi, Gakuen-cho 3-42)
- Capacity:** 450 attendees
- Entrance Fee:** Free ※Entrance tickets currently being distributed
- Inquiries:** Gifu Foundation for Education and Culture ☎ 058-233-8164 (in Japanese only)
- Search Keywords:** ぎふ清流文化プラザ 文化振興事業

Consultation Free Consultations for Persons with Multiple Debts

Specialist lawyers will give consultations and advice regarding management of multiple debts.

- Time & Place:** Saturday, February 25th at the General Consultation Center for Gifu Citizens (Gifu-shi, Yabuta Minami 5-14-53 Fureai Fukuju Plaza Building 1 Floor 5)
Friday, March 17th at the Chuno General Government Building (Mino-shi, Ikushi 1612-2)
※Both days: 13:00 to 16:00
※On February 25, consultations will also be available by phone.
- Consultation Method:** One-on-one meetings, 30 minutes per person, six people per day
- Applications:** Reservations accepted on a first-come-first-served basis
- How to Apply:** Call the number listed below and apply before the date of the consultation.
- Applications/Inquiries:** General Consultation Center for Gifu Citizens ☎ 058-277-1003 (in Japanese only)
- Search Keywords:** 岐阜県 多重債務相談

Notice Prevention of Massage Businesses Conducted by Unlicensed Practitioners

Licenses are necessary in order to conduct medical treatments like massages, *anma* massages, *shiatsu*, acupuncture, moxibustion, or Judo therapy (bone-setting therapy) as a business. Anyone who conducts any of these acts for business without the appropriate license is liable to legal sanctions. When looking to receive massages, *anma* massages, *shiatsu*, acupuncture, moxibustion, or Judo therapy, please be aware of these laws, and get treatment from a licensed practitioner. A list of licensed facilities which provide these services is publically available on the Gifu Prefectural Government website.

- Inquiries:** Gifu Medical Institutions Management Division ☎ 058-272-8265 (in Japanese only)
or your nearest Public Health Center
- Search Keyword:** 岐阜県 施術所開設届一覧

Announcement Library Fair to be Held for Rare Disease Day

International Rare Disease Day aims to improve the quality of life of people living with rare diseases. Every year on the last day of February, events are held around the world for this day.

Gifu Prefecture is working in collaboration with the Gifu Prefecture Association of Intractable Disease Organizations to provide consultations, aid, and raise awareness about rare diseases. This year, on Sunday, February 26, the Association will hold the main event at the Gifu Prefectural Library Fair, and the library will have a poster display, special collection corner, and other related materials during the period listed below.

- Time:** Saturday, February 25th through Tuesday, March 7th
- Place:** Gifu Prefectural Library Reading Room Entrance (Gifu-shi, Usa 4-2-1)
- Inquiries:** Gifu Prefectural Library Planning Division ☎ 058-275-5111 (in Japanese only) FAX 058-275-5115

Announcement The Mesmerizing Furniture of Hida on Display in “Works of Woodcraft 2017”

After a year of training, the students of the Gifu Prefecture School of Woodcraft will display the culmination of their acquired talents in the “Works of Woodcraft 2017” exhibit. Along with the presentation and display of the students’ woodworks, near 100 products will be sold by raffle to event attendees.

- Time:** Sunday, March 5th from 9:00
Raffle from 11:00 (Raffle tickets on sale until 10:45)
- Place:** Gifu Prefecture School of Woodcraft (Takayama-shi, Takumigaoka-machi 1-123)
- Entrance Fee:** Free; Parking available

- Applications:** No application necessary. Please come directly to the event.
- Inquiries:** Gifu Prefecture School of Woodcraft ☎ 0577-32-1143 (in Japanese only) FAX 0577-32-1929
- Search Keywords:** 木工芸術

Notice Regarding the Usage of the Forests & Environment Tax for the Preservation and Renewal of the Natural Environment

In order to protect Gifu Prefecture's plentiful forests and clear rivers, the "Land of Clear Water Gifu: Forests & Environment Tax" has been in effect in the prefecture since 2012. Because an appropriate amount of time and continuous effort is necessary to preserve and revive the natural environment, we will be continuing our efforts, and extending the Forests & Environment Tax an additional five years, until the end of 2021. We request the understanding and cooperation of individuals with an address and businesses with a location in Gifu Prefecture.

○Main uses of the Tax

- Maintenance of water-source forests (forests at the head of rivers which perform numerous natural functions) and community forests
- Measures to manage wildlife such as sika deer and wild boars
- Education on forests and the natural environment
- Support for independent regional environmental preservation projects

●**Inquiries:** Regarding the usage of the tax: Gifu Prefecture Forestry Promotion Division

☎058-272-8472 (in Japanese only)

Regarding the structure of the tax: Gifu Prefecture Taxation Division

☎058-272-1153 (in Japanese only)

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