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Takasaki International Relations Society 高崎市国際交流協会

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TAKASAKI & YOU

<u>Takasaki City:</u> Population: 374,710 Area: 459.16 km² <u>Registered Foreign Residents:</u>

There are 5,018 foreign residents from around 60 different countries residing in Takasaki City from China, Philippines, Vietnam, etc... (as at 31st October, 2017)

=Information from TIRS=

Winter Japanese Classes

Join the Takasaki International Relations Society's winter Japanese classes. You'll be taught in a small group according to your level. Each course consists of 10 lessons.

Chuo Kominkan (Suehiro-cho 27)

Tuesdays 10am-12 noon, 16th Jan-20th March Thursdays 7pm-8:30pm, 11th Jan-15th March Saturdays 1:30pm-3:30pm, 13th Jan-17th March

Shinmachi Bunka Hall (Shinmachi 3190-1)

Wednesdays 10am-11:45am, 10th Jan-14th March Saturdays 10am-11:45am, 13th Jan-17th March

Nakai Kominkan (Nakai-machi 3-21-1)

Wednesdays 6:30pm-8pm, 10th Jan-14th March

Gunma Fukushi Kaikan (Ashikado-machi)

Mondays 7pm-8:45pm, 15th Jan-26th March Wednesdays 4:30pm-6:15pm, 10th Jan-14th March *NEW LOCATION* Yoshii Nishi Community Center

(Yoshii-machi, Nagane 525)Tuesdays 7pm-8:30pm, 16th Jan-20th March

Tuesdays 7pm-8:30pm, 16th Jan-20th March **Cost**: ¥500 per 10 class course

Sign Up: Contact the Takasaki International Relations Corner by telephone or email (details below). Let us know the course you want to attend, your name, address, telephone number, nationality, length of time spent in Japan, whether you can read/write hiragana and katakana, and your language learning goals.

Medical Interpreters In Gunma

Medical Interpreters in Gunma is a not-for-profit organization working to help foreigners have access to medical services in their native language.

Dispatch of interpreters: To medical facilities and public health centers in Gunma Prefecture.

Languages: English, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Russian, Chinese, Indonesian, Korean, Nepalese,

Tagalog, Vietnamese, etc.

More Information: Medical Interpreters in Gunma

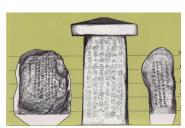
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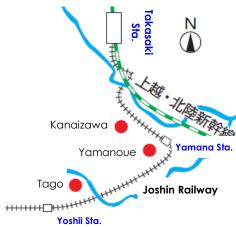
UNESCO Memory of the World

The Three Cherished Stelae of Ancient Kozuke

The series of ancient stone monuments known as The Stelae of Kozuke and consisting of the Yamanoue Stela (681 A.D.), Tago Stela (711), and Kanaizawa Stela (726) have



been included in the Memory of the World Register. The three stelae are located in Takasaki but have been relatively unknown until now. The Yamanoue Stela in Yamana-machi is the oldest of 18 Japanese stone monuments still standing from ancient times, and is the oldest example of Chinese characters used to write in Japanese grammatical form. The Tago Stela in Ike, Yoshii-machi, was erected to announce the establishment of a new county under direction of the central government, and it is admired for its square calligraphy style that influenced calligraphers Asia-wide. The Kanaizawa Stela also in Yamana-machi, tells of the social status of women of the time and the spread of Buddhism throughout Japan. The historical, cultural, social and political importance of the stelae has been recognized through their inscription as UNESCO Memory of the World.



Visit: Use the free city bus from Yoshii Station for making the trip between the stelae. 8 buses depart daily, in 45-minute intervals.

Railway

Visit: Use the free city bus from Yoshii Station for making the trip between the stelae. 8 buses depart daily, in 45-minute intervals.

The bus also stops at Yamana Station.

Takasaki International Relations Society (International Relations Corner, 2nd Floor Takasaki City Hall)

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=Information from Takasaki City=

Takasaki Daruma Market

Date: Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd January, 2018

Time: 10am-4pm

Place: Street at the west exit of Takasaki Station About the Market: Last year, the Takasaki Daruma Market was visited by more than 250,000 people! There'll be stalls selling all of Takasaki's favorite specialties, performances and the opportunity to buy your very own Daruma to bring you good luck in

2018. Buses from the Market to local shrines will run so visitors can make their first visit of the new year.

*Traffic restrictions apply 9am to 5pm on the days of the Market.



Receive this Newsletter by Email

Send an email to: office@takasaki-irs.org **Subject**="Request for Newsletter Notification"

Takasaki Pageant of Starlight

Period: Thursday 23rd November 2017-Monday 8th January 2018

Time: 5pm-10pm daily (until midnight Fri-Sun)

Place: Along Symphony Road, Gunma Music Center and surrounds, moats, and near Suzuran Department Store.

About the Pageant: Thousands of tiny fairy lights decorate the trees and streetscape of the city in the shape of Christmas trees, wine glasses, and other holiday season themes.





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'Kyujitsu toban i' are the medical clinics on duty on weekends and national holidays. Surgery hours are 9am to 6pm. Be sure to take along your health insurance card. Schedule changes monthly, see 15th-of-the-month Takasaki Koho for full list. For other cities, see your local city magazine.

Date	3rd Dec (Sun)	10th Dec (Sun)	17th Dec (Sun)	23rd Dec (Pub. Hol.)
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Yamana Clinic (Yamana-machi) 2027-350-5777	Onogaki lin (Nakai-machi 3) 2 027-352-2233	Iwata Naika Clinic (Ishihara-machi) ••027-327-1241	Inamura Clinic Allergy & Respiratory Specialist (Minami-Orui-machi) 2027-353-1769
	Ishizawa Iin (Showa-machi) 2027-327-1911	Toori-machi Shinryojo (Toori-machi) 2027-322-6534	Oyama lin (Hamagawa-machi) 2027-343-6036	Mori Naika Clinic (Rakuma-machi) ☎027-343-7568
Pediatrics (Shonika)	Hiura lin (Kenzaki-machi) 2027-344-1175	Oyama Shonika lin (Kuragano-machi) 2 027-346-0880	Miyashita Clinic (Shinbo-machi) 2027-360-5577	Shonika Asahi Clinic (Yanaka-machi) ••027-345-2323

Date	24th Dec (Sun)	29th Dec (Fri)	30th Dec (Sat)	31st Dec (Sun)
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Yoshida Shokaki Naika Clinic (Oyagi-machi) 2027-388-1079	Ariga Clinic (Azuma-cho) 2 027-326-1711	Hagiwara Naika lin (Shimo-Toyooka-machi) 2 027-328-1222	CBC Clinic (Egi-machi) 2 027-321-2111
	Uehara Naika lin (Naka-Toyooka-machi) ☎027-327-6955	Katsuta Naika Shokaki Clinic (Yachiyo-machi 4) ••027-327-5556	Nishimura lin (Showa-machi) 2027-388-1811	Akagi Clinic (Shimo-Kobana-machi) 2027-340-7400
Pediatric (Shonika	Shiroyama Clinic (Shiroyama-machi) 2027-327-2759	Kodomo Clinic Sone (Kami-Kobana-machi)	Koizumi Shonika lin (Renjaku-cho) 2 027-322-3985	Matsushima Shonika lin (Kaizawa-machi) 2027-361-5823

Night Clinic:

(1F Public Heath Center Takamatsu-cho) Mon-Fri=7:30pm-10pm; Sat, Sun, pub. hol=7pm-10pm

Children's **Emergency** Health Consultations:

Dial #8000 to speak with a health professional for advice on whether to go to the hospital (Mon-Fri=6pm-8am next day; Sat, Sun, pub. hol=9am-8am next day).

