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TAKASAKI CITY city 高崎市



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

Population: 374,707 Area: 459.16 km² Takasaki City: Registered Foreign Residents:

There are 5,018 foreign residents from around 60 different countries residing in Takasaki City from China, Philippines, Vietnam, etc... (as at 30th September, 2017)

=Information from TIRS=

Takasaki International Festival

Sunday 26th November, 11am-3pm Viento Takasaki (Tonya-machi 2-7) **ENTRANCE IS FREE!**

The biggest event on the Takasaki international calendar is here again! Come with your family and friends to enjoy a great day eating, drinking and being entertained.

Food & Drinks: Restaurants serving French, Brazilian, Turkish, Mexican, Chinese, Korean and

Stage Performances: Thai dancers, Korean drummers and dancers, tea ceremony performance, Brazilian capoeira, belly dance, etc.

Attractions (all free): Try on the national dress of various countries including Japanese yukatas, ride in a police car, try Chinese and Japanese tea ceremony, paper craft, play board games from abroad and Jomo karuta in English, face painting, etc. See the event flier for more information!

Winter Japanese Classes

At the Takasaki International Relations Society's winter Japanese classes, you'll be taught in small groups 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 (Munadaka-machi 977-1)

Mondays 7pm-8:45pm, 15th Jan-26th March Wednesdays 4:30pm-6:15pm, 10th Jan-14th March

Cost: ¥500 per 10 lesson 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, your language learning goals, etc.

Free Legal Consultation Day for Foreigners

Date: Sunday 3rd December 2017

Time: 10am-3pm

Place: Isesaki City Hall, Higashi-kan 5th floor

(Isesaki-shi Imaizumi-cho 2-410)

Consultations: 30 minutes per person, advice from legal professionals about visas, family issues, divorce, workplace problems, insurance, etc.

Interpreting: English, Tagalog, Chinese, Portuguese

and Spanish.

Appointments: Call the Gunma Association of Tourism, Local Products and International Exchange on 027-243-7271 or 090-1215-6113 on the day.

Become a Volunteer!

The International Relations Society has many volunteer opportunities for Japanese and non-Japanese residents, including volunteer interpreters, cultural instructors who can teach lanquage lessons/cooking classes/cultural introduction at schools, and more. Contact the TIRS (details below) for more information.





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

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

TEL: 027-321-1201 (in English OK), FAX: 027-330-1819, Email: office@takasaki-irs.org Website: www.glocalfive.net/tirs/ (Japanese, English, Chinese & Portuguese versions)



=Information from Takasaki City=

Recycling Events at Takasaki Reuse Center

- 1. Collection and swap of old clothes and books Applicable items:
- Clothing and other materials (no leather products, socks, stockings or hats). Wash everything and make sure nothing is stained/ripped.
- Books including comics and magazines.

Left over items of clothing collected will be exported overseas, turned into rags or the cotton will be recycled. Books will be recycled to be made into boxes, new books or cardboard.

Members of the public may attend and take home up to 10 items for free

2. Display of large household items for giveaway to the public

Includes furniture still in good condition that has been collected as a part of the city's waste management program.

Conditions: Members of the public aged over 18 may apply to receive one item for free. A draw will be held if an item is requested by more than one person. Must be able to remove the item yourself from the Reuse Center between Saturday 18th and Sunday 26th November, 10am-3pm (9am-12 noon on weekends & public holidays).

Date & Time: Sat 11th & Sun 12th November, 9:30am-2:30pm Place: Takasaki Reuse Center

(Kuragano-machi Otsu 3210-1), within

the grounds of NTT East.

9th Cheerleading World Championships

Teams from 30 countries including Japan, the Netherlands, the Philippines and Korea will participate over two days in a variety of categories and divisions.

Date: Sat 11th & Sun 12th November

Venue: Takasaki Arena (Shimowada-machi 4-1-18) **Tickets**: On sale in advance at Takasaki Arena everyday from 8am-9pm (cash transactions only). Reserved seats=¥2,500; non-reserved seats=¥1,700.

King of Pasta

Date & Time: Sunday 12th November, 10am-4pm

Place: Motenashi Square

Come and vote to choose the best pasta of Takasaki as 18 local restaurants battle it out for the crown of King of Pasta 2017.

Entrance: ¥1,500 (includes 5 tickets allowing you to sample 5 dishes and vote for your favorite)

Event Website: www.kingofpasta.jp

Agriculture Festival & Ebisu-ko Market

Date & Time: Sat 18th and Sun19th November, 10am-3pm (Agri. Festival), 11am-5pm (Ebisu-ko) **Place**: Motenashi Square (Agriculture Festival),

central shopping district (Ebisu-ko)

Agriculture Festival: Stalls selling locally grown fruit, veg, seedlings, locally manufactured pickles and canned/bottled products, giveaways, stage attractions, lucky prize draw, etc.

Ebisu-ko: Fashion show, magic performance, sales

at local stores, etc.

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休日当番医



'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.

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).

Date	3rd Nov (Pub. Hol)	5th Nov (Sun)	12th Nov (Sun)	19th Nov (Sun)	23rd Nov (Pub. Hol.)	26th Nov (Sun)
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Takagi lin (Egi-machi) ☎027-322-1540	Fujie Naika lin (Kami-Taki-machi) ••027-352-7800	Monden Naika Clinic (Tenjin-cho) ☎027-384-3701	Iwata Bodies Clinic (Yanaka-machi) ••027-347-4560	Kaneko Naika lin (Kami-Nakai-machi) 2 027-352-1288	Matsuzaki lin (Shimano-machi) ☎027-352-1278
	Horikoshi lin (Tsubaki-cho) ☎027-322-2843	Numano Clinic (Yanagawa-cho) 2027-322-2926	Gunma-Yawata Shokaki Naika (Yawata-machi) 2027-381-5505	Matsumoto lin (Aioi-cho) ☎027-322-5913	Namie Clinic (Kami-Namie-machi) 2 027-362-5808	Otsuka lin (Shimo-Kotori-machi) 2027-360-3321
Pediatrics (Shonika)	Oguri Shonika lin (Kami-Nakai- machi) 2 027-327-7887	Hamajiri Clinic (Hamajiri-machi) 2 027-363-8311	Zennyoji lin (Kuragano-machi) ☎027-346-2382	Hosoya Narishige Clinic (Oki-machi) ☎027-343-0230	Murata Shonika lin (Kataoka-machi 1) ☎027-322-3254	Inui Shonika Naika Iin (Miyamoto-cho) ••027-322-3252