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

Takasaki City: Population: 374,710 Area: 459.16 km<sup>2</sup>

Registered Foreign Residents:

There are 5,038 foreign residents from around 60 different countries residing in Takasaki City from China, Philippines, Vietnam, etc... (as at 31st October, 2017)

#### =Information from TIRS=

## **Free Legal Consultation Day in Takasaki**

Date: 18th February, 2018

Time: 10am-3pm

Place: Takasaki Chuo Kominkan (Suehiro-cho 27)

Consultations: 30 minutes per person.

Advice from a range of legal professionals on visas, family issues, divorce, workplace problems, insurance, etc.

Interpreting: English, Tagalog, Chinese, Portuguese

and Spanish is available

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

## **TELL Lifeline**

A free anonymous and confidential Englishlanguage telephone and chat service offered throughout Japan every day of the year.

- Safe, confidential space to discuss any issue
- Staffed by highly trained volunteers committed to providing emotional support, resources and connections.

Need to talk? We're here to listen. Contact us from anywhere in Japan.

TELL Lifeline: 03-5774-0992 9am-11pm, 365 days a year

TELL Chat: tellip.com

Saturday 10:30pm-Sunday 9am

## **Receive this Newsletter by Email**

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

## **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 language lessons/cooking classes/cultural introduction at schools, and more. Contact the TIRS (details below) for more information.

## **Cinematheque Takasaki**

Cinematheque is run by the NPO Takasaki Community Cinema and aims to bring high quality films to regional movie screens.

Hidden Figures (2016) USA: The story of a team of female African-American mathematicians who served a vital role in NASA in the early years of the US space program. Language: English with Japanese subtitles. Screening: Until Friday 5th January, 10:30 & 15:30 daily.

Kedi (2016) Turkey: A documentary that tracks the stories of seven cats living on the streets of Istanbul, providing an insight to this ancient city and its unique people. Language: Turkish with Japanese subtitles. Screening: Daily from Saturday 30th December at 10:45, 15:00 & 19:05.

Interlude in Prague (2016) UK: The incredible tale of Mozart's days spent in Prague. Language: English with Japanese subtitles. Screening: Until Friday 12th January, 13:00 & 18:00 daily.

Nocturnal Animals (2016) USA: A wealthy art gallery owner receives a draft of her ex-husband's new novel, and once she starts reading it she just cannot put it down. Language: English with Japanese subtitles. Screening: Until Friday 5th January, 12:30 & 16:45 daily.

\*Cinematheaue closed 1st January 2018.

Location: Takasaki-shi Ara-machi 202

Tickets: Adults ¥1,700, high school/university students ¥1,400, children & seniors (over 60) ¥1,000. www.takasaki-cc.jp

Parkina: Aramachi Park (behind Gusto). More information and other film schedules:

www.takasaki-cc.jp (Japanese)

TEL: 027-325-1744





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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) **January 2018** 



## =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 **Details**: Stalls selling good luck Daruma dolls, local specialty food, performances, etc. Shuttle buses traveling to popular spots for making your first visit to a shrine or temple of the new year (hatsumode).

## First Sunrise & Shrine Visit of the New Year

#### **POPULAR SHRINES TO VISIT**

Kannonyama (Ishihara-machi)

Takasaki Shrine (Akasaka-machi 94) Yawata Hachimangu Shrine (Yawata-machi 632) Haruna Shrine (Harunasan-machi 849) Gunma-ken Gokoku Shrine (Notsuke-machi 2000) POPULAR SPOTS FOR WATCHING THE FIRST SUN RISE 21st floor of Takasaki City Hall (Takamatsu-cho) Futagoyama & Hachimanzuka Burial Mounds (Idemachi 1514)

Mt. Haruna-Fuji (Harunako-machi 845-1)

## **Illumination Displays**

**Takasaki Pageant of Starlight:** Until Monday 8th January 2018, 5pm-10pm daily (until midnight Fri-Sun), near Takasaki Station West, Symphony Road & Gunma Music Center.

#### **Shinmachi Illumination**

Until Wednesday 31st January 2018, 4:30pm-10pm, area around Shinmachi Station and Shinmachi Fureai Park.

## **City Hall Closed for End of Year Break**

Takasaki City Hall including the International Relations Corner, will close for the end of year vacation at 5:15pm on Thursday 28th December 2017, and reopen at 8:30am on Thursday 4th January 2018.

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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.** 

Date	1st Jan (Mon)	2nd Jan (Tues)	3rd Jan (Wed)	7th Jan (Sun)
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Hanamizuki Naika (Shimo-Kotori-machi) <b>2</b> 027-329-7008	Kubota Ichoka Naika Clinic (Terao-machi) 2027-310-5717	Toyooka Kokyukika Nai- ka Clinic (Kami-Toyooka-machi) <b>2</b> 027-340-1159	Okamoto Naika Clinic (Kami-Nakai-machi) <b>2</b> 027-325-5050
	Naika Okajo Clinic (Watanuki-machi) 2027-395-6116	Sato Shonika Naika lin (Sakae-cho) ••027-322-4498	Shimizu Naika (lizuka-machi) <b>2</b> 027-362-2838	Yawata Clinic (Yawata-machi) 2027-343-2247
<b>Pediatrics</b> (Shonika)	Kodomo no Mori Shin- ryosho (lizuka-machi) <b>2</b> 027-388-8863	Shonika Meimei Clinic (Shimonojo-machi) 2027-387-0733	Kami-Nakai Family Clinic (Kami-Nakai-machi) <b>2</b> 027-326-4155	Shigeta Kodomo Allergy Clinic (Shimano-machi) 2027-350-1700

Date	8th Jan (Pub. Hol)	14th Jan (Sun)	21st Jan (Sun)	28th Sun (Sun)
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Futaba Icho Naika Clinic (Kita-Futaba-cho) 2027-388-8592	Igusa lin (Tenjin-cho) ☎027-362-2833	Michimata Naika Higashiguchi Shinryosho (Sakae-cho)	Yamauchi lin (Kita-Futaba-cho) ••027-322-6338
	Momonoki Clinic (Yawata-machi) 2027-344-3130	Tachibana Naika Clinic (Miyamoto-cho) ☎027-322-3133	Nakazawa lin (Tsukunawa-machi) 2027-361-2996	Inui Naika Clinic (Shimo-Kobana-machi) 2027-343-3368
<b>Pediatrics</b> (Shonika)	Shonika Sato Iin (Yanagawa-cho) ••027-322-2145	Terao Kodomo Clinic (Terao-machi) ©027-324-7788	Zennyoji lin (Kuragano-machi) ☎027-346-2382	Kaizawa Chuo Byoin (Higashi-Kaizawa-machi) ••027-363-7001

#### **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).

