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





<u>Takasaki City:</u> Population: 373,114 Area: 459.16 km² Registered Foreign Residents:

There are 5,848 foreign residents from around 60 different countries residing in Takasaki City from China, Philippines, Vietnam, etc... (as at 31st January 2020)

=Information from TIRS=

Spring Japanese Classes

The Takasaki International Relations Society (TIRS) offers Japanese courses for local foreigners throughout the year at 5 locations around the city. They are taught by our volunteer staff, and students are separated into small groups according to ability.

Cost: ¥500 yen per 10 lesson course Chuo Kominkan (Suehiro-cho 27)

Tuesdays 10am-12 noon; 12th May-21st July Thursdays 7pm-8:30pm; 14th May-16th July Saturdays 1:30pm-3:30pm; 16th May-18th July

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

Wednesdays 6:30pm-8pm, 13th May-15th July

Gunma Fukushi Kaikan (Munadaka-machi 977-1)

Mondays 7pm-8:45pm; 11th May-13th July Shinmachi Bunka Hall (Shinmachi 3190-1)

Wednesdays 10am-11:45am; 13th May-15th July Saturdays 10am-11:45am; 16th May-18th July

Yoshii Nishi Community Center (Yoshii-machi Nagane 525)

Tuesdays 7pm-8:30pm; 12th May-21st July **Registration**: Contact the TIRS up to one week before the start of the course you wish to attend (contact details at bottom). Let us know:

- Name, address, telephone number
- Nationality, length of time spent in Japan
- Whether you can read/write hiragana or katakana and your speaking level
- · Language learning goals
- ·Course you want to attend

One-Stop Consultation Center for Foreign Residents

Regular Consultations

Consultation is available in languages such as English, Vietnamese, Chinese, and others on a range of issues including visas, finding a job, medical care, welfare, childbirth, education, etc., and of course about COVID-19.

Hours: 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday Consultation with Immigration Officers

Date & Time: 4th Tuesday of every month, 10:30am-

3pm (next date is 24th March 2020)

Consultants: Officers from Immigration Services

Agency in Tokyo

Interpreting: English, Chinese, Portuguese, Spanish

and Vietnamese.

No appointment is required, just show up!

Open weekends in March

Open: March 7th & 8th, March 14th & 15th, March

20th, 21st & 22nd, and March 28th & 29th.

Hours: 10am-4pm

Interpreting: English available at all times, please

check for other languages.

Place: One-Stop Center for Foreign Residents

of Gunma

Location: 1st Floor Showa Prefectural Bldg,

1-1-1 Ote-machi, Maebashi

TEL: 027-289-8275

=Information from Takasaki City=

City Hall Open on Sundays in March/April

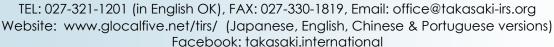
Takasaki City Hall and its regional branch offices will be open on the following Sundays during March and April to accommodate people who move in or out of the city at this time of year.

Dates: Sundays 22nd & 29th March, and 5th April.

Hours: 8:30am-5:15pm Services Available:

- Notices of moving in/out, change of address
- Personal seal (inkan) registration & certificates
- Foreign resident procedures
- •Issue of resident certificates & family registers
- My Number-related procedures
- · Joining/leaving National Health Insurance or pension, etc.

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





March 2020

TAKASAKI & YOU

Plum Festivals

Misato Plum Festival

Period: 1st March-late March

Place: Zenji & Kanisawa Plum Groves

Details: Plum products on sale, outdoor tea ceremony under the blossoms, other attractions

Parking: 300 yen per car

Haruna Plum Festival

Date & Time: Sunday 15th March, 9:30am-3:30pm

Place: Haruna Culture Center

Details: Plum udon, plum rice, plum juice and pickled plums given away to the public, Japanese wadaiko drum performance, stage acts, competitions, horse & cart rides through the blossoms.

Takasaki City Theatre Performances

Shochiku Grand Kabuki

"Yoshitsune Senbonzakura" Sat 4th April, from 1:30pm

Tickets: From 4,000 yen (A seating)

Available: Online now **Bejart Ballet Lausanne**

"Ballet for Life"

Friday 29th May, from 7pm

Tickets: From 5,000 yen (C seating), 2,000 yen

(under 25s)

Available: Online now

New National Ballet Company

"Alice in Wonderland"

Sat 27th June, Sunday 28th June, from 2pm Tickets: From 5,000 yen (C seating), 2,000 yen

(under 25s)

Bookings: Online from 13th March

Website: http://takasaki-foundation.or.jp/theatre/

Novel Coronavirus COVID-19

Pneumonia cases caused by a new coronavirus originating in Wuhan City, China has spread in other countries including Japan.

Preventative Measures: Frequent hand washing and use of hand sanitizer, covering mouth and nose with a tissue, or with the crook of your arm when coughing or sneezing, wearing a mask if you are suffering from coughing/sneezing.

Symptoms (consult with the consultation center for people with potential exposure to COVID-19): Cold symptoms or a fever lasting four days or more, strong feeling of weariness or breathing difficulties/shortness of breath, you are a senior citizen or have an underlying disease, and you have had the symptoms mentioned above

Online Information in other Languages

Council of Local Authorities for International Relations

http://www.clair.or.jp/tabunka/portal/index.php Japanese Ministry of Health, Labour & Welfare www.mhlw.go.jp/index.html

Japan National Tourism Organization Visitor Hotline Call for tourist information or assistance in case of accidents and emergencies, including about COVID-19. Support is available in English, Chinese, and Korean.

TEL: 050-3816-2787

(24hrs/day, 365 days/year)

Receive this Newsletter by Email

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

きゅうじつとうばんい

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	Sun 1st March	Sun 8th March	Sun 15th March	Fri 20th March (Pub. Hol.)	Sun 22nd March	Mon 29th March
Internal Medicine (Naika)	Tsukioka Naika lin (Iwahana-machi) 13 027-346-1226	Matsuzaki lin (Shimano-machi) 13 027-352-1278	Kubota Ichoka Naika Iin (Terao-machi) 25 027-310-5717	Onogaki lin (Nakai-machi 3) 13 027-352-2233	Yamana Clinic (Yamana-machi)	Jonan lin (Shimowada-machi 3) 2027-322-5760
	Yoshihama Naika lin (Aioi-cho) 13 027-322-2226	Ishizawa lin (Showa-machi) \$027-327-1911	Uehara Naika lin (Nakatoyooka- machi) 13 027-327-6955	Koyagi Naika (Koyagi-machi) 13 027-365-5897	Oyama lin (Hamagawa- machi) 13 027-343-6036	Oyama Naika Shinkeinaika lin (Kaminamie-mach) 1 027-363-2258
Pediat- rics (Shonika)	Shonika Sato lin (Yanagawa-cho)	Shigeta Kodomo Allergy Clinic (Shimano-machi) \$3027-350-1700	Hamajiri Clinic (Hamajiri-machi)	Oyama Shonika lin (Kuragano-machi) 13 027-346-0880	Arai Kinder Clinic (Shimonakai- machi) \$3027-325-4152	Koizumi Shigeta Shonika (lizuka-machi) 13 027-362-5811