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This newsletter is a partial translation from the October 10th issue of 'Nishinomiya Municipal Bulletin.' We will be glad to help you seek further information about events or notices announced here.



RECEPTION DESK CLOSE AT 5PM FROM NOVEMBER

The City will change the reception desk closing time from 5:30pm to

5:00pm from November 1, because of services now available online, issuing of certificates at convenience stores, and considering the number of visitors after 5:00pm. As we strive to improve services such as further increasing the procedures that you can access online, we ask for your understanding and cooperation.

Reception hours from November 1

9:00am to 5:00pm from Monday to Friday (excluding holidays & national holidays)

[Target facilities] Every department of the City Hall Main Building & Second Building, branch offices, and citizen service centers, etc.

- Depending on the content, cutoff time for accepting some procedures may be before 5:00pm.
- ACTA Nishinomiya Station reception is opened from 9:00am to 7:00pm between Monday and Friday (excluding holiday & national holidays). It is opened from 9:00am to 5:00pm on Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays.
- Community centers will be closed at 4:45pm (Central Community Center is closed at 5:00pm).
- *There are no changes to the opening hours of facilities such as community centers, civic centers, libraries, and gymnasiums.

[Inquiries] Nishinomiya City General Call Center (Tel: 0798-36-5000 Fax: 0798-26-5151)

- *Monday to Friday: 8:30am to 7:00pm
- *Saturdays, Sundays, National holidays: 9:00am to 5:00pm (closed from January 1 to 3)

Use the convenient procedure without going to the counter! 1) "Nishinomiya Smart Application".

You can apply for over 200 types of procedures through the online application, "Nishinomiya Smart Application". Applications are accepted 24 hours a day, so please use it. You can easily apply for everything from applications related to daily life (childcare, health, welfare, etc.) to applications for events and classes!

[Inquiries] Digital Promotion Division (Tel: 0798-35-3528)

2) Getting certificate of residence, seal registration certificates, etc. at convenience stores is a good deal!

If you use your Individual Number Card ("My Number Card") to obtain various certificates such as copies of certificate of residence, etc. at a convenience store, the fee will be ¥50 to ¥100 cheaper.

[Inquiries] Civic Affairs Division (Tel.0798-35-3109)

"My Number Card" OPENING OF A HOLIDAY

OPENING OF A HOLIDAY APPLICATION COUNTER AT ABIKI RESIDENTS' CENTER

The City will open a holiday application counter for "My Number Cards". Reservations are required in advance. For details how to make a reservation, visit the City's website.



[Date & time] November 2 (Sat), 10:00am-4:00pm

[Location] Abiki Residents' Center [Required documents] Notification card, identification document

*Reservations are accepted from

October 15. Capacity limited. First-come-first-served basis. [Reservations / Inquiries] Nishinomiya City My Number Call Center (Tel: 0798-30-6001)

*Reception hours: 9:30am-4:30pm (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)

WALKING MAP IN THE HANSHIN AREA

A book about the charm of the modernism in the Hanshin area.



The Hanshinkan Cooperation Branding Council, which includes the City, has published the "Hanshinkan Walking Map." Based on the theme of "modern architecture," the booklet will help you appreciate the charm of Hanshinkan modernism by learning about the details

of stained glass, lighting, and other things. It also contains maps and columns introducing retro cafes and model courses to visit along with modern architecture.

[Distribution locations] Hanshin Nishinomiya Tourist Center, Create Nishinomiya (in LaLaport Koshien), etc. [Inquiries] Commerce and Industry Division (Tel: 0798-35-3071)

GRAPHIC DESIGN FROM WEST GERMANY October 26 - February 24



Nishinomiya City Otani Memorial Art Museum hosts the exhibition "Graphic Design from West Germany - Back to Modern." This exhibition introduces "A5 Collection Düsseldorf" by the graphic designer Jens Müller for the first time in Japan. About 130 posters and about 250 items including booklets and magazines will be exhibited.

[Dates & Time] From 10:00am to 5:00pm (Last admission: 4:30pm) from Oct. 26 (Sat) to Feb. 24 (Mon), 2025

*Closed on Wednesdays and Dec. 23 to Jan. 3, 2025

[Fee] Adults: ¥1200; College students and high school students: ¥600; Junior high school students and elementary school students: ¥400

*City residents: $\S1,000$ (65 years old and over: $\S4600$) (with valid certificates)

Related Event

Otani Museum Concert "Christmas with Bach"

[Date & Time] From 2:00pm on Dec. 22 (Sun) [Content] Violin performance by Machiko Shimada [Eligibility] Elementary school students and over [Fee] Museum admission fee is required. [Capacity] 100 people; first come, first served [Reservation] by phone to the museum from 9:00am on Nov. 10

*Other events including lectures, slide talk, and workshops are scheduled. See the museum website for details. [Inquiries] Nishinomiya City Otani Memorial Art Museum (Tel: 0798-33-0164)

FUNASAKA MARCHÉ & EVENTS SQUARE



Enjoy a lovely autumn holiday in nature at the mountainside village called Funasaka. Various attractions such as shops with local vegetables and handmade crafts, LOHAS (Lifestyles of Health and Sustainability) workshops, and live music.

[Date & Time] Nov. 10 (Sun) 10:30am - 3:00pm [Venue] Funasaka Satoyama School

[Note] *The event will be cancelled if there is stormy weather.

*Please use the public transportation. Due to the limited parking, you are required to book it through the website. Drawing of names if necessary.

[Inquiries] Nishinomiya Tourism Association (Tel: 0798-31-7821)

LONDRINA WEEK EVENTS



1) Exhibition and Book Fair at Kitaguchi Library

"What kind of city is our sister city, Londrina?"

Open until Nov. 10 (Sun) from 9:00am until 8:00pm (until 6:00pm on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays). Closed on Mondays and

Oct.15, Nov. 5 and 7.

[Inquiries] Kitaguchi Library (Tel: 0798-69-3151)

2) Panel Exhibition "Londrina, the city - the 90th anniversary of its founding"

[Date] Nov. 1 (Fri) through Nov. 11 (Mon)

[Time] 10:00am - 6:00pm

*The exhibition starts from noon on Nov. 1 and ends at 4:00pm on Nov. 11.

[Venue and inquiries] Nishinomiya International Association (NIA) (Tel: 0798-32-8680)

3) Let's enjoy Portuguese: "Londrina Now" [Date & Time] Nov. 8 (Fri) from 3:00pm

[Admission fee] ¥500

- *30 participants. First come, first served.
- *Application starts from Oct. 16 at NIA's website.

[Inquiries] NIA (Tel: 0798-32-8680)

NISHINOMIYA CITY FESTIVAL October 26 (Sat)

11:00am-6:30pm (Only outside event -5:00pm)



- 1) OPEING CEREMONY / ROAD STAGE
- Opening ceremony 11:00am -
- Omikoshi (Portable shrine) carried by children 11:40am-
- Yosakoi dance performance 11:55am-
- Concert Band and Baton twirling & Cheer dance 12:10-
- Nishinomiya Danjiri Festival Live 12:30-

- Performance in Nishinomiya 2:00pm-
- 2) INSIDE STAGE
- Nishinomiya Music Live 2:00pm-
- Time for sister cities 4:20pm-
- Dancing #KOSHIEN#: Street dance competition 4:45pm-3) VARIOIUS EVENTS
- Kid's Area 11:00am-
- [NEW] Pavilion for Disaster Prevention Local bond learned from the Disaster 11:00am-
- *Thirty years since the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake. Look back on the past earthquake and prepare for future risks.
- A Moment with Miyatan Heartwarming Stamp rally 11:00am-
- SDGs charity Auction! No Mottainai! 11:00am-
- Congressional Experience Tour 12:00-
- Firefighthing Experience 1:45pm-

4) BOOTH BAZAAR

Activity showcase, games, food, gift shop etc.

[Live broadcasting] SAKURA FM (78.7MHz) 1:00-4:00pm CATV (Baycom 12ch) 11:00am-2:00pm

*The broadcasting hours may be subject to change.

[Inquiries] Nishinomiya City Festival Committee (Tel: 0798-35-3458) in Civic Cooperation Promotion Division) Please check details for each event on the website of the Committee above.

In the event of inclement weather, there may be a cancellation of the event or a change to some of the programs.

AUTUMN FESTIVAL IN YAMAGUCHI-CHO



Finally cool autumn days come down on us. Many annual events of the season such as autumn festivals will be held in various areas in the City.

One of them is Yamaguchi-cho's "Nishinomiya Yamaguchi

Arukinare" on October 12. Local guides show you walking paths where you can find lots of charms of the town and the reproduction of "Emperor Kotoku's Royal March" takes place on the day, in which local residents will be marching in the area in ancient costumes. This is based on an old story that the Emperor Kotoku stayed in Yamaguchi-cho for a long time in the occasion of his visit to the Arima Onsen - hot spring in the year of 647. The "Yamaguchi Sodesita Odori" is said to have an origin in the dance by the Yamaguchi town's men to express joy of welcoming the Emperor and his party. It is designated as an Intangible Folk Cultural Asset of the City.

In the Yamaguchi-cho Local Museum, which is managed by the Yamaguchi-cho Tokufukai Association, many historical materials of the town since the Middle Ages are exhibited. For example, techniques of making the town's specialty products such as kanten - vegetable gelatin, bamboo baskets and Japanese paper as well as Danjiri - a festival float. Let's support and promote such local traditions kept in various areas of the City.

Please visit Yamaguchi-cho with full of nature and charms by the "Sakura Yamanami Bus"!

*The above photo shows "Royal March of Kotoku Emperor's Party".