

Public Relations Kyotango Magazine – April 2024



Kyotango City's 20th Anniversary Project

NHK's Nodo Jiman will be held

In Kyotango City on June 9th!

Register as a Contestant or an Audience Member!



The NHK Kyoto Broadcasting Station, Kyotango City, and the Kyoto Prefectural Cultural Organization are collaborating together to put on NHK's Nodo Jiman. With "your town as a stage for

all” as its theme, this show brings the singing talent from your local community to viewers all over Japan. We can’t wait to see you all onstage!

Date & Time: June 9th, 2024 (Sunday)

11:50AM ~ 1:15PM (Doors Open at 11:00AM)

*Preliminaries will be held on June 8th from noon.

MC: Tomomi Hirose (TV Announcer)

Venue: Kyoto Prefecture Tango Performing Arts Theater (1030 Sugitani, Mineyama-cho)

Contact:

For Contestants

NHK Kyoto Broadcasting Station TEL 075-251-1111 (Weekdays 10AM ~ 5PM)

<https://www.nhk.or.jp/kyoto/>

For Spectators

Tango Performing Arts Theater TEL 0772-62-5200 (Weekdays 8:30AM – 5:15PM)

Lifelong Learning Section TEL 0772-69-0630 (Weekdays 8:30AM – 5:15PM)

Special Guests



Shizuka Kudo



Naoki Sanada

How to Register

For Contestants

Apply by filling out the online form on NHK Kyoto’s website or by sending a postcard (one-way).

Via Online

Submit your application by 11:59PM on Tuesday, April 30th

Scan here to go to the NHK Kyoto Website (Japanese) →



Postcard (One Way)

Postcard must arrive by Tuesday, April 30th

Write down your information as listed below (required items 1~9) and send it to NHK 京都放送局「NHK のど自慢」出場係 (NHK Kyoto Broadcasting Station “NHK Nodo Jiman” Contestant Registration Team, Address: 〒604-8515 Kyoto-shi Nakagyo-ku Karasuma-dori Oike kudaruru Toraya-cho 576 京都市中京区烏丸通御池下る虎屋町 576). Selection results will be sent out via an NHK postcard on May 20th (Mon.).

Required Information

**The information provided on your application will be used to send selection results and for media coverage as a participant on the show. Your information will not be used for any other purpose.*

- 1) Postal Code
- 2) Address
- 3) Name (with Japanese reading)
- 4) Age
- 5) Gender
- 6) Daytime Phone Number (Cellphone number is preferred)
- 7) Occupation (Students should write their year in school and any affiliated clubs)
- 8) Song Selection and Artist Name
- 9) Reason for Song Selection (in detail)

For Spectators

Send an application through the NHK Kyoto website by 11:59PM on Friday, May 10th

Scan the QR Code above.

**You cannot register by mail.*

**You do not need to sign up to view the preliminaries (space restrictions may apply for entry)*

Admission Selection

Selection tickets will be sent on May 20th (Mon.). If you did not get chosen for the

lottery, you will be notified by email on May 21st (Tuesday).

Population and Number of Households in Kyotango City

Timestamp	End of Jan. 2024	End of Feb. 2024	Change
Total Population	50,955	50,879	-76
Male	24,498	24,469	-29
Female	26,457	26,410	-47
Households	22,992	22,992	0
Changes by Main Criteria	Move-ins		74
	Move-outs		88
	Births		25
	Deaths		87
Other reasons			0

Town Topics - Yasaka

International Exchange Through Sports

On March 2nd, the Japan-U.S. Friendship Cup hosted by the Kinki-Chubu Defense Bureau was held at the Yasaka Sports Park Social Gymnasium. This the first tournament held in four years since the COVID-19 pandemic begun in 2019. A total of sixteen teams participated in the beachball volleyball tournament.



Participants from many different countries came together to play as a team and fostered closer relationships with each other while playing sports.

Supporting Families with Diverse Cultural Roots

As a Community.

Let's Foster Deeper Trust by Getting to Know Each Other's Roots

Now, more and more families with cultural roots from outside of Japan are living in Kyotango City. On February 26th, the Kyotango City International Association

held a panel discussion amongst foreign residents about their honest experiences raising children in Japan.

In order to make Kyotango City a place where people can have both Japanese and another country's cultural identity, it is important to learn about what life is like for families with international roots and to think about how to give them individual and community-based support. At the event, four panelists with international roots talked about their experience raising children in Kyotango to the audience.



Because of differences in culture, the parents faced many unknowns raising their children in Kyotango and battled everyday challenges while building connections with the people around them. When the panelists talked about the importance of having their children learn the Japanese language and culture to do well in society, some of the audience commented that parents should also teach their own culture and language to their children as it will not only enrich their lives, but also of the children around them. The panelists smiled fondly upon hearing this comment.

For foreign residents to live and raise their children without worry in Japan, it is important for everyone to have empathy and understanding. The Kyotango City International Association is working hard to build a community where culturally-diverse families can be supported and understood.

If you are struggling with childcare and finding support in Kyotango City, please contact the Kyotango City International Association (KIA).

Email: kokusai_koryu@kyotango.net

Events Calendar – April

You can find more events on the Event Bulletin.



4/14 (Sun.)

Tennyo no Sato's Cherry Blossom Festival

Enjoy the cherry blossoms against the picturesque backdrop of country mountains at Tennyo no Sato. There will be stalls selling handmade soba noodles, sweet red bean *zenzai*, locally-made konjac jelly, and food trucks! Come to enjoy the beauty of springtime at this local festival.



Time: 10AM ~ 3PM

Location: Tennyo no Sato (Mineyama)

Contact: Tennyo no Sato Exchange Facility TEL 0772-62-7720

4/14 (Sun.)

Cherry Blossom Festival

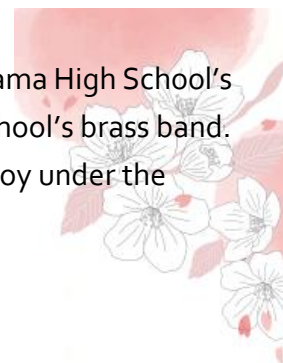
At the event, there will be a tea gathering hosted by Mineyama High School's Tea Ceremony Club and a performance by Mineyama Junior High School's brass band. There will also be dance performances and other stage events to enjoy under the cherry blossoms.

Time: 10AM ~ 4PM

Place: Mineyama General Park

Other: In the event of rain, the event will be cancelled.

Contact: Mineyama Branch Office of the Kyotango City Tourism Association
TEL 0772-62-8560



4/24 (Wed.)

Kyotango City International Association 2024 General Meeting Part 2 Taiko Performance

There will be a public performance by local women's taiko group, Kissouka!

Time: From 8:15PM

Location: Mineyama General Welfare Center 2F



Registration: Please contact the KIA by 4/23

Contact: Kyotango City International Association TEL 0772-69-0120

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4/28 (Sun.) and others

Story Time – Children’s Reading Day at the City Library!

Mineyama Library – Story Time

Date & Time: 4/28 (Sun.), 10:30AM ~ 11:30AM

Location: Mineyama Community Center

Registration: Call the number below before 4/28.

Contact: Mineyama Library TEL 0772-62-5101

Tango Library Room – Spring Story Time

Date & Time: 4/28 (Sun.) 10:30AM ~ 11:30AM

Location: Tango Town Hall

Capacity: 20 people

Registration: Begins 4/13 (Sat.)

Contact: Tango Library Room TEL 0772-69-0141

Amino Library – Story Time

Date & Time: 4/29 (Mon., Holiday) 10:30AM ~ 11:30AM

Location: Amino Library

Capacity: First 20 people

Registration: Begins 4/13 (Sat.)

Contact: Amino Library TEL 0772-72-4946

5/26 (Sun.)

The Yoshida Brothers' 25th Anniversary Tour – Gokunama Visiting all 47 Prefectures (plus one extra)!

Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear the powerful sound of Tsugaru shamisen live in Kyotango by the one-and-only Yoshida Brothers!

Kyoto Show

Time: Show begins 2:00PM (Doors Open 1:30PM)

Venue: Kyoto Prefecture Tango Performing Arts Theater

Tickets:

Premium Seats w/ Shamisen Experience - ¥9000

Premium Seats only - ¥6500 (4th row and farther)

Reserved Seats ¥4500

(Members get ¥500 off)

**Up to four tickets per person. Children under elementary school age are not allowed to enter.*



City-Run Consultation Services

**The following services are, in principle, free. All matters will remain confidential.*

Consultation Service	Dates	Place	Matters Addressed	Reservations	To Sign Up or Contact
Healing Café Tsusentei	4/3 (Wed.) 10AM~2PM	Machi Machi Information Center	Talk about what has been troubling you in a relaxed space.	Not required	Health Promotion Section TEL 0772-69-0350
Women's Consultation Service Window	4/17 (Wed.) 1:15PM ~ 4:05PM	Announced when you reserve an appointment	Find solutions to problems you face as a woman with a supportive counselor	Prior reservation required	Citizen's Affairs Section TEL 0772-69-0210
Hikikomori Help Dispatch Service	2 nd Thursday 2PM~5PM	Kumihama Town Hall	For people who have shut themselves inside their home, their families, and related persons (50 min slot per person)	Prior reservation required	Enterprise Union Labor Cooperative Center Project "Hitotowa" TEL 080-2507-9010
Hikikomori Consultation Service	Weekdays 9AM~6PM (excluding dispatch days and Wednesday afternoons)	Hitotowa			
Yoriso Shien Comprehensive Support Center	(Mon-Fri) 9AM~5PM *Closed on public holidays	Mineyama General Welfare Center, West Annex	A one-stop place to discuss and get support for worries about everyday issues and employment.	Not required	Consultations 0120-125-294 Yoriso Shien Comprehensive Support Center TEL 0772-62-0032
Nurse Employment Consultation Group	4/4 (Thurs.) 1:30~3PM	Hello Work Mineyama	Consult about restarting your career or changing jobs. Gather useful information and information on trainings for re-employment	Not required	Northern Kyoto Prefecture Nurse Support Center TEL 0772-46-9002

Employment Consultation Service for Young People	Mon, Tues, Thurs. 11AM~4PM *Closed on public holidays	Yorisoi Shien Comprehensive Support Center	Employment support for job hunting 15- to 49-year olds and family members	Prior reservation required	Northern Kyoto Young Person Support Station, Kyotango Satellite Office TEL 050-3559-2804
Government Administration Consultation Service	4/10 (Wed.) 1:30~3:30PM	Amino Town Hall	Grievances, opinions, and hopes about national policies	Not required	Kyoto Administrative Monitoring and Administration Consultation Center 075-802-1100
Legal Consultation Service	4/4 (Thurs.) 1:30~4:30PM 4/11 (Thurs.) 3:00 ~ 5:00PM 4/25 (Thurs.) 3:00 ~ 5:00PM	Mineyama Community Center	Issues regarding household registry, debts, and laws and regulations.	Prior reservations required	Kyoto Judicial Scrivener's Association Comprehensive Consultation Center TEL 075-255-2566
Administrative Legal Consultation	4/3 (Wed.) 10:00AM~12:00PM	Mineyama General Welfare Center	Construction permits, matters concerning the Agricultural Land Act, inheritances/wills, contract writing, etc.	Not required	Prefectural Administrative Lawyer's Association First Chapter Bureau TEL 0772-69-0237
Tax Consultation Service	4/10 (Wed.) 1:00~4:00PM	Mineyama Community Center	Consult about income taxes, etc. with a tax accountant	Prior reservations required	Mineyama Tax Association (Mon. ~ Fri.) 9:00AM – 5:00PM TEL 0772-62-5458
Consumer Affairs Consultation	Weekdays 9:00AM ~5:00PM	Consumer Living Center	How to go about contracts, cooling	Not required	Kyotango City Consumer Living

Service	*Closed on public holidays		off periods, and other consumer affairs		Center TEL 0772-62-6768 Consumer Support Hotline (TEL 188)
Human Rights Consultation Service	Every Thursday 9:00AM~5:00PM	Kyoto Local Legal Bureau, Kyotango Branch	Discrimination, harassment, and other infringements on human rights	Not required	Kyoto Regional Legal Bureau Kyotango Branch Office TEL 0772-62-0365
Consultation Service for Young Carers	Weekdays 8:30AM ~ 5:15PM *Closed on public holidays	Mineyama General Welfare Center	Accepts requests from both children who take on responsibilities caring for relatives or doing chores at home and their guardians	Prior reservation required	Child & Family Center (within the Childcare Support Section) TEL 0772-69-0370
Child & Family Center			Pregnancy, birth, childcare, home matters. Accepts consultations by phone or in-person visits to the center or home.	Not required	
Bullying Consultation Hotline	24/7, 365 Days a Year	N/A	A guiding supervisor and clinical psychologist will be available for support.	Not required	Kyotango City Bullying Hotline TEL 0120-889-061 School & Education Section TEL 0772-69-0620

Don't know who to call? Contact the [Kyotango City International Association](#) first!
We will direct you to the help you need.

Email: kokusai_koryu@kyotango.net

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