Local Events – February 2024

Hyakudo-Uchi Festival

Date: Sunday, February 4th Time: 7~8AM Location: Taiza, Tango (Okanari District Community Center)

Hyakudo-uchi is a traditional ceremonial event that traces



back to the Edo Period. While it is still dark and cold, young men from the local community don on colorful sumo aprons and run through the town chanting "*Wasshoi, wasshoi!*" to pray for good health and safe households.

Kids English Conversation Classes

Dates: Thursdays, February 8th, 15th, 22nd
Time: 5 ~ 6PM
Location: 2F Tatami Room, Mineyama Community Center

Fee: Free

Capacity: 30 children

Registration: Please sign up by Monday, Feb. 5th to

kokusai_koryu@kyotango.net.



Start your kids early with English and let them have fun learning by playing games and reading picture books with native English speakers! The classes are for kids ages 3-7 years old. We ask that a guardian accompany young children during the class.

Kumihama Doll Festival

Dates: Until April 3rd (Closed on Wednesdays)
Open Hours: 9AM ~ 4PM
Location: Inaba Family Merchant House
Admission: Free

Stop by Kumihama's town center to see these



beautifully crafted Japanese *hina* dolls for a limited time. The Inaba Family Merchant House is famous for their doll display resembling nobles at the Imperial Palace in Kyoto. You can also purchase *take hina*, paper dolls nestled within crafted bamboo at the estate to commemorate your visit. Each of the *take hina* dolls are handcrafted with care by local women's groups in Kumihama.

Komachi Park Doll Festival

Dates: February 5th – March 5th
Open Hours: 9:30AM ~ 3:30PM
(Closed on Wednesdays)
Location: Komachi Hut in
Komachi Park (Ikaga, Omiya)
Admission: Free

In Japan, families will celebrate Girls' Day (March 3rd) by displaying a set of hina dolls to



wish for their daughter's health, beauty, and happy marriage. No better place to celebrate the festivities in Japan than at Komachi Park, which commemorates the legendary historical beauty and poet, Ono no Komachi. Please come by to admire their impressive display of beautiful dolls for this one-month period.

Yasaka Town Digital Stamp Rally

Duration: Until March 31st

Location: Participating businesses in Yasaka (see list below)

Enjoy what Yasaka has to offer by participating in the local stamp rally! Enter for prizes made by local producers!

Prizes include:

- KYOTO TANGO Pencils (limit 5 entries)
- Sansho Pepper Wood Ear Fungus (limit 10 entries)
- Cake Salé made with seasonal organic vegetables (limit 5 entries)

Download the Mimamori App to collect your stamps!

Participating Businesses:

- Tango Kingdom "Syoku no Miyako"
- Hotel Tango Kingdom
- KUIYA 918
- Ton's Kitchen
- Mountain & Sea with Nihonkai Farms
- Organic Café Tentoumushi Batake
- Yoshioka Shoten
- Daimaru Shoyu
- Takeno Brewery
- Tempu Soba
- Kaze no Gakko Kyoto (Swiss Village)





Exhibition of "Shiba Ryotaro to Omoide no Machi" and

"Rakuchuu Rakugai" by Mitsumasa Anno

Duration: December 6th ~ March 4th
Times: 9:30AM ~ 5:00PM (Last Entry at 4:30PM)
*Closed on Tuesdays. If Tuesday is a holiday, the venue will close on the following non-holiday.
Location: Wakuden no Mori (764 Tani, Kumihama-cho)
Admission: General - ¥1000
Junior High/High School Student - ¥600

Elementary School Student - ¥400

In "Rakuchuu Rakugai" (Within and Outside of the Imperial Capital), Mitsumasa Anno's depiction of the landscapes from Tango will be the main focus of this display. The second collection showcases landscapes from Japanese author Ryotaro Shiba's journeys. Mitsumasa Anno and Ryotaro Shiba were close friends, and after Shiba's passing, Anno revisited the places his dear friend went to on his travels.

Short Film Project Screening by

Tango Kataribe

Date: March 6th (Wednesday) Time: 1:30~4:30PM Location: Multipurpose Hall at Agri Center Omiya

Admission: Free

Following a lecture by Hidehiko Sakagami,



the professor emeritus from Saga Art University, there will be screenings of short films that the members of Tango Kataribe have made over the year about the narratives in Tango. Some of the videos are available to view on Youtube. Please sign up by 2/29 to <u>sh.kyotangokumihama-0346@h8.dion.ne.jp</u> (Contact: Tetsu Azuma) attend the lecture and screening.