# Local Events – February 2025

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Hina Doll Exhibition

Duration: Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sun.) ~ Mar. 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sun.)

**Times:** 9:30AM ~ 3:30PM (Closed on Wednesdays)

Location: Komachi Hut within Komachi Park (Ikaga, Omiya) Hinamatsuri, or the Doll Festival, is a Japanese tradition in early spring that prays for the health and beauty of young



girls. For this one-month period, browse through rows of exquisite *hina* dolls at Komachi Park, which celebrates the great Japanese poet and one of the three Historical Beauties, Ono no Komachi.

## **Bunny Petting Session**

Date: Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sun.)

**Times:** 10:30AM ~ 11:30AM

2:00PM ~ 3:00PM

Location: Tango Kingdom Petting Zoo (Yasaka)

#### Admission: Free

Melt away your stress and worries with the fluffy

bunnies at Tango Kingdom! This is a regularly-

occurring event that happens on the first Sunday

of every month.

### **MONOPRO FESTIVAL 2025**

Date: Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sun.)

Location: Tango Kingdom "Shoku no Miyako"

Time: From 10:30AM

Tickets:

https://peatix.com/event/4233912

#### **Events:**

SNOW RUSH! Aim for the Black Bodysuits!





Join in on an epic snowball fight against the mystery men in black bodysuits.

Fee to Play: Adult – 2000 yen

Child – 1000 yen

### Escape the Chessboard

Play an escape game on a large chessboard.

Fee to Play: Adult – 3000 yen

Child – 1500 yen

Children should be accompanied by a guardian.

# Children's Day at Swiss Village

Date: Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> (Sat.)

Admission: Free for Everyone!

Play in the snow with the whole family on this special day! See who builds

the largest snowman in the Snowman Contest and win great prizes!



# **Bluegrass Music @ Kyotango Trailer**

Date: Feb. 9th (Sun.)

Time: From 12:30PM (Doors Open at 12:00PM)

**Location:** Kyotango Trailer (located in Tango Kingdom)

Tickets: 1,000 yen per person (includes one drink)

\*Payment will be taken at the door.

Enjoy some bluegrass music with performances by local

groups in an intimate and casual venue!

# 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Kumihama Doll Festival

**Duration:** Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> (Sun.) ~ Apr. 3<sup>rd</sup> (Thurs.)

Location: Inaba Honke (Kumihama)

Open Hours: 9:00AM - 4:00PM (Closed

Wed.)

Admission: Free

Contact: Inaba Honke TEL 0772-82-2356

Stop by Kumihama's town center to see beautifully crafted Japanese *hina* dolls for a limited time. The Inaba Family Merchant House is famous for their doll display resembling the Imperial Palace in Kyoto. This year, try your hand at making





your own *take-hina* doll display, or bamboo lantern (please call beforehand to book). You may also purchase a *take-hina* doll display to commemorate your visit. Each of the *take-hina* dolls are handcrafted with care by local women's groups in Kumihama.

# Mitsumasa Anno Museum Winter Exhibition

*Chiisana Ie no Rōra* – "Laura in the Little House" & *Rakuchū Rakugai* – "Views Within and Around Kyoto City"

**Duration:** Until Mar. 3<sup>rd</sup> (Mon.)

Location: Mitsumasa Anno Museum (764 Tani, Kumihama-cho)

**Open Hours:** 9:30AM ~ 5:00PM (Last Entry at 4:30PM)

Admission: General – 1000 yen

Junior High/High School – 600 yen

Elementary School – 400 yen

#### "Laura in the Little House"

Based on the world of the beloved American series, *The Little House on the Prairie*, Anno depicts colorfully Laura's and her family's everyday life on the harsh American frontier.



### "Views Within and Around Kyoto City"

"Finding the right landscape to paint is like searching for a bride," are famous words from the watercolor artist, Mitsumasa Anno. We hope you enjoy these scenes of the old capital of Kyoto and Tango that struck Anno's heart.



2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Final Presentation -Tango Kataribe Storyteller's Association Date: Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> (Wed.)



Time: 1:30PM ~ 4:30PM

Location: Multipurpose Hall, Agri Center Omiya

Admission: Free

**Sign-Up:** Please contact the Tango Kataribe Storyteller's Association with your name and phone number to register.

Contact: Tango Kataribe Storyteller's Association

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The Tango region is full of local legends, histories, and traditions are littleknown to the general public. Combatting the loss of these stories to old age and time are a small group of passionate individuals who have worked hard over the year to produce videos that preserve these local tales. There will a lecture from Professor Hidehiko Sakagami (Professor Emeritus at Kyoto Saga University of the Arts) and a video screening of this year's newly-produced works.

Please note, the event will be primarily conducted in Japanese.

You can also view the videos here on the Tango

Kataribe Storyteller's Association Youtube Channel:



\*As of 1/28. For more up-to-date event information, please check <u>www.visitkyotango.com/events/</u> or other local Japanese event websites.