



Gifu Prefecture Public Relations

Announcements from Gifu Prefecture

September, 2017

Events to Check Out This Month

Walkway Connecting Culture and Sports Set to Open!



Artist's impression of walkway



Rough map of surrounding area

A walkway connecting “Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza (Gifu-shi)” and “Gifu Memorial Center (Gifu-shi)” is set to open on September 30. In conjunction with the opening, cultural, sporting and various other events will be taking place at both locations. The walkway opening ceremony and the “Gifu Seiryu Recreation Festival” will take place on September 30, and on the following day, October 1, visitors will be able to participate in lectures and hands-on activities around the theme of aerospace.

Various other events will also be taking place across both days, such as the “Gifu Festival of Wood 2017”, which will include attractions such as the Wooden Toys Plaza and a Giant Maze. There will be many other activities to enjoy on the day as well, from the Recreation Experience Corner to various food stalls where visitors will be able to sample local delicacies. All are welcome to attend.

●Prefecture Population

2,013,506 people (down 797)

Men: 975,442 people (down 410)

Women: 1,038,064 people (down 387)

※as of June 1, 2017

※stats in parentheses are a comparison with the previous month

See the prefectural Statistics Division site for the most recent information.

Facebook 「Seiryu no Kuni Gifu」

Dispatching information at Minamo Dayori!!

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Television Show

“Gifu Pref. Hot Line” Now airing

(Air Date) Thurs. 18:53~18:57

(Rerun Date) Tues. 21:54~21:58

“Announcements from Gifu Prefecture” also available via data broadcast on Gifu Channel (Channel 8)!

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◆Main events (planned)

●September 30 (Saturday)

<Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza>

Opening ceremony for connecting walkway (rooftop garden)

・Cultural events about Nakasendō, the ancient “road through the mountains” connecting Edo to Tokyo. (Nagaragawa Hall)

<Gifu Memorial Center>

・Gifu Seiryu Recreation Festival (Fureai Dome, Deai Dome, and other locations)

・Gifu Festival of Wood 2017, Recreation Experience Corner (Lawn Plaza)

・Stalls selling local products and specialties (Sun Sun Deck area)

●October 1 (Sunday)

<Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza>

・Lectures and hands-on activities around the theme of aerospace (Nagaragawa Hall and other locations)

<Gifu Memorial Center>

・Gifu Seiryu Recreation Festival (Fureai Dome, Deai Dome, and other locations)

・Gifu Festival of Wood 2017, Recreation Experience Corner (Lawn Plaza)

・Stalls selling local products and specialties (Sun Sun Deck area)

◆**Attendance Fee:** Free of charge

◆**Inquiries:** Policy Planning Division

☎ 058-272-1856 (in Japanese only)

FAX: 058-278-3542

Information Corner

“Toyama-Gifu Exchange Day” Project

Announcement Visit Toyama with a Value-for-Money Expressway Deal

July 5, the day the Tokai-Hokuriku Expressway opened, has been designated “Toyama-Gifu Exchange Day”, and a collaboration has begun between the two prefectures. Why not take advantage of the expressway discount offered by the two prefectures (unlimited travel at a fixed price within the designated area) and take a family or girls’ trip to Toyama, known as “Switzerland with the sea”? Guidebooks with suggested routes can be found at service areas and

“michi no eki” throughout the designated area.

●**Discount period:** until November 30 (Thurs.)

●**Area/Fee:**

<Toyama/Hida area excursion course: up to 2 consecutive days>

Hokuriku Expressway: between Kanazawa-higashi IC and Asahi IC

Tokai-Hokuriku Expressway: between Oyabe-tonabi JCT and Hida-kiyomi IC

Standard vehicles: ¥3,500

Light vehicles: ¥2,800

<Toyama/Hida/Gujō area excursion course: up to 3 consecutive days>

Hokuriku Expressway: between Kanazawa-higashi IC and Asahi IC

Tokai-Hokuriku Expressway: between Oyabe-tonabi JCT and Gujō-hachiman IC

Standard vehicles: ¥6,500

Light vehicles: ¥5,300

●**Requirements:** ETC car (standard, light, or two-wheeled vehicle)

●Apply in advance at official website of NEXCO Nakanihon.

●**Inquiries:** NEXCO Nakanihon Customer Center ☎0120-922-229 (in Japanese only)

If unable to use the toll-free number: ☎052-223-0333 (in Japanese only)

Call for Applicants Subsidies Available for Businesses Looking to Improve Accessibility for Foreign Tourists

We are offering subsidies for shops and accommodation facilities looking to improve accessibility for foreign tourists.

●**Subsidized projects:** (1) Preparations to open duty-free shops (2) Implementation of multilingual facilities (3) Implementation of Wi-Fi facilities

●**Subsidies available for:** (1) Business owners within Gifu Prefecture (2)(3) Owners of accommodation facilities within Gifu Prefecture

●**How to Apply:** Apply via post. (The application guidelines and forms can be found on our website.)

●**Application Deadline:** We will announce on our website when applications have closed.

●**Applications/Inquiries:** International Affairs Division ☎058-272-8360 (in Japanese only)

●**Search Keyword:** 岐阜県受入環境整備補助金

Call for Participants Get Healthy in the Forests of Minami Hida! Seeking Participants for a Two-Day Bus Tour

This two-day bus tour will combine Minami Hida's tourist attractions with a “Health Experience Class” held by Minami Hida Health Promotion Center (Gero).

●**Time:** Oct. 23 (Mon.) to 24 (Tues.), leaving from the Prefectural Office.

●**Itinerary:** Day 1: Minami Hida Health Promotion Center (soba-making, forest immersion experience), overnight stay at Gero Onsen.

Day 2: Hiking at Osaka Waterfall, visit to Himeshaga Spa.

●**Participant Capacity:** 40 people (chosen by lottery)

●**Participation Fee:** ¥14,500 (4 or 5 people/room), ¥15,000 (3 people/room) 15,800 (2 people/room)

●**How to Apply:** Apply via return-paid postcard, fax, or email. (Please include the total number and full name, age, and sex of all participants, along with the phone number and address of a representative.)

●**Application Deadline:** Applications must be received by Sept. 22 (Fri.)

●**Travel Arrangements:** Meitetsu Kankō Bus, Gifu Branch (3-23-1 Naka-uzura, Gifu-shi, 500-8288).

●**Inquiries:** ☎058-276-1177 (in Japanese only) FAX: 058-275-0733

✉ yuya.kumazawa@meitetsu-kankobus.co.jp (Closed on weekends and national holidays)

●**Search Keyword:** 南飛騨健康増進センター

Announcement Art ‘Maru-ket’ at Museum of Fine Arts Open Now

The Museum of Fine Arts, Gifu, is currently holding its “Art ‘Maru-ket’”, directed by Museum Curator Hibino Katsuhiko. This time, the theme is “connection”. With the cooperation of various academies, facilities and organizations, everyone will “connect” with each other regardless of any disability. 20 large triangular shades will be joined together in the Museum's garden, providing relief from the summer heat and creating a place for people to “connect”. Workshops conducted by both the curator and respective academies will also be running during this period.

- Time:** Aug. 25 (Fri.) to Nov. 3 (Fri., national holiday)
- Place:** Museum of Fine Arts (Gifu-shi)
- Attendance Capacity:** None
- Application:** Not required
- Inquiries:** Museum of Fine Arts, Gifu ☎058-271-1313 (in Japanese only) FAX: 058-271-1315
- Search Keyword:** 岐阜県美術館

Call for Participants Accepting Applications for the Autumn Course of “the Ayu (Sweetfish) of Seiryu Nagara River” Experience Tour

The “Ayu of Seiryu Nagara River” have been certified as a Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System (GIAHS). In light of this certification, and in order to help more people learn about the Nagara River System, we are holding courses where participants will be able to take part in agricultural, forestry and fishing work, experience traditional culture, and learn about the environment. 5 different courses will be held, including the “World Cultural Heritage ‘Hon Mino Washi’ and the Mino Washi ‘Akari’ Art Gallery” course.

- Time:**
 - 1) Oct. 1 (Sun.)
 - 2) Oct. 7 (Sat.)
 - 3) Oct. 14 (Sat.)
 - 4) Oct. 22 (Sun.)
 - 5) Oct. 28 (Sat.)
- Place:** Gifu-shi, Seki-shi, Mino-shi, and Gujō-shi
- Participant Capacity:** Different for each course. (Places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.)
- Fee:** Different for each course.
- How to Apply:** Apply via fax or email. (For details, see the back of the leaflet on our website.)
- Applications/Inquiries:** Meitetsu Kankō Services, Gifu Branch ☎ 058-265-8103 (in Japanese only)
FAX: 058-263-5059 ✉ seiryu-ayu@mwt.co.jp
- Search Keyword:** 名鉄観光 長良川の鮎

Announcement Upcoming “Tomoni” Musical Performed by Residents to Support Disabled People

Based on the real-life experiences of disabled people, prefectural residents, including disabled people and professional musical actors, will perform an original musical around the theme of “disability”. All are welcome to attend.

- Time:** Sept. 23 (Sat., national holiday). Performance begins at 16:00
- Place:** Nagaragawa Hall, Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza (Gifu-shi)
- Attendance Capacity:** 450 people
- Fee:** ¥2,000
- Tickets Sales:** Gifu Seiryu Cultural Plaza/Masa 21/チケットぴあ
- Inquiries:** Gifu Foundation for Education and Culture
☎ 058-233-8164 (in Japanese only) FAX: 058-233-5811

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