Fukui City Newsletter July 25th Edition

GENERAL EVENTS

The 65th Annual Fukui Phoenix Festival

Day 1: Fukui Phoenix Fireworks Show
 Date: Fri. August 3rd
 Time: 7:30 to 8:30pm
 *In case of inclement weather, the event will be postponed
 to August 6th (Monday)
 Place: Asuwa River riverbed





Day 2: Folk Dance - Yosakoi Icchorai There will also be a mikoshi (portable Shinto shrine) Date: Sat. August 4th Time: 4:00 to 9:30pm

Place: Ekimae Chuo Odori (Daimyo Machi intersection to the intersection on the north side of Kato Building)

*The venue this year is different from last year's

Day 3: "March for a Million" Marching Show
 Organizations from in-prefecture and out-of-prefecture consisting of marching bands, baton twirlers, cheer dancers, ballet dancers and more will be performing.
 Date: August 5th (Sunday)
 Time: 5:00 to 9:00pm
 Place: Fukui Bicycle Race Track



Inquiries: 0776-20-5325

Let's Watch the Phoenix Festival Fireworks!

The following are free facilities available to watch the Phoenix fireworks that night. Drinking alcohol is prohibited. Date: August 3rd (Friday)

Akemi Tachibana Literature Memorial Museum

Time: 6:30 to 8:30pm

*In the case that the fireworks are postponed, the event at the museum will be canceled and not postponed

Inguiries: Akemi Tachibana Literature Memorial Museum

0776-35-1110

Osagoe Folk Village Museum

Enjoy the Phoenix Fireworks from Mount Osagoe.

Time: 6:30 to 8:30pm

Items to bring: flashlights & drinks

* If the fireworks are postponed, we will hold the event on August 6th (Monday). Because there are a limited number of parking spaces available, please take public transportation. Inquiries: Cultural Property Protection Division

0776-35-1015

Natural History Museum

Enjoy the fireworks and night view from the Hakusan Terrace. Eating and drinking are permitted on the Hakusan Terrace. The rooftop is open to anyone who would like to take photos.

Time: 6:30 to 9pm

* If the fireworks are postponed, we will hold the event on August 6th (Monday).

Inguiries: Natural History Museum

0776-35-2844

Togo Kaido Otsukune (Rice Ball) Festival

Date & Time: Sat. August 11th (holiday), 5pm to 9pm Sun. August 12th, 10am to 5:30pm

Place: JR Echizen Togo Station area

Details:

- Residents' Association Mikoshi (portable Shinto shrine) Parade
- Straw Throwing Contest
- Otsukune Dance
- Rice Bale Carrying Relay



 For those who would like to participate in the relay race, please register at any time by phone or fax

Inquiries & Registration: Togo Community Center Phone/Fax: 0776-41-0306

Take the JR Etsumihokusen Line to get to the Otsukune Festival!

The first 100 people to arrive on one of the trains at the designated times specified below will receive a prize.

Date: Sun. August 12th Place: JR Echizen Togo Station area



Valid Trips:

{North-bound trains}

1. Depart from Echizen Ono Station @ 10:15am Arrive at Echizen Togo Station @ 10:54am

2. Depart from Echizen Ono Station @ 11:29am Arrive at Echizen Togo Station @ 12:08pm

{South-bound trains}

- 3. Depart from Fukui Station @ 12:50pm Arrive at Echizen Togo Station @ 1:03pm
- Depart from Fukui Station @ 2:54pm Arrive at EchizenTogo Station @ 3:07pm

Inquiries: 0779-64-4815

Washi Chigiri-e Lesson

Using torn pieces of Echizen Washi paper, create images reminiscent of watercolor paintings.

Date & Time: Sat. August 18th, 10am to 12pm

Place: Fukubukukan (Happiring 5th floor)

Target: 4th grade elementary school students & older

Max. no. of participants: 20 (first come, first served)

Materials fee: \$ 800

Registration: Starting Mon. July 30th, please call to register.

Inquiries & Registration: 0776-20-2929

Mobile Observation

- Astronomical observation
 Observe Jupiter and Saturn
 Date & Time: Wed. August 1st, 8 to 9pm
- Solar observation
 Date + Time: Fri. August 10th, 1 to 2pm

Inquiries: Seiren Planet

0776-43-1622



Place: JR Fukui Station West Exit, Dinosaur Plaza *In case of cloudy or rainy weather, the event will be canceled.

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Get a Close Look at Mars!

Observe Mars when it is closest to Earth, an event that happens only

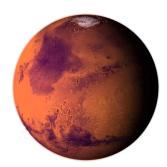
once every 15 years!

Date & Time: Sun. August 12th, 7:30 to 9pm

*The event will be canceled in case of rainy or cloudy weather

Place: Natural History Museum

Inquiries: 0776-35-2844



Direct Sale of Fresh Fish

Extremely fresh fish caught on the morning of, as well as seafood products, will be sold directly to consumers.

Date & Time: Sun. August 12th

Starts at 8am and will run until everything is sold out *The event will be canceled in case of inclement weather

Place: Gumizaki Fishing Port

Please check out the Koshino Fisheries Cooperative's Facebook page to find out whether or not the event is canceled.

Inquiries: Koshino Fisheries Cooperative Association 0776-89-2316



Make String Art & Soft Steamed Buns

While outdoors, make simple but stylish wall decorations using only nails and strings, as well as make sweet buns.

Date & Time: September 15th (Saturday) 1 to 4:30pm

Place: Shonen Shizen no le

Target: Elementary school students who reside in Fukui City and their parents/guardians

Details:

- Beginners' string art
- Steamed buns without a steamer

Max. no. of participants: 30 (chosen by lottery)



Fee: ¥600/person

Registration (by phone or email): To register, please call or email us by Tues. August 28th and provide the participants' basic information, including the names in furigana, gender, school's name, & grade.

Inquiries & Registration: 0776-41-3660 <u>camp@city.fukui.lg.jp</u>

Yokokan Garden: Echizen Pottery & Matcha Bowl

Use a handwheel to make a matcha tea bowl and then enjoy some tea!

Date & Time: 2 classes altogether

Matcha Bowl Class - September 9th (Sunday) at 10am

Tea Ceremony – November 18th (Sunday) at 10am

Place: Yokokan Garden

Target: Middle school students & older

Max. no. of participants: 10 (first come, first served)



Fee: ¥1700 (includes materials, tea ceremony & admission)

Registration (by phone or email): Starting Mon. August 6th, please call or email us to register.

Inquiries & Registration:

Culture Promotion Division 0776- 20-5367 <u>b-shinkou@city.fukui.lg.jp</u>

Kimodameshi:

Explore a Scary Place to Test Your Courage

Won't you cool down on a midsummer night by trying out *kimodameshi* (test of courage) at an antique Japanese-style folk house? Elementary school students and younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Date & Time: August 11th (Saturday, holiday) 7:30pm - 9pm

(The event will be canceled in case of inclement weather)

Reception is open until 8:30pm

Place: Osagoe Folk Village

Items to bring: flashlights

Inquiries: Cultural Property Protection Division

0776-35-1015



Town Rental Bikes:

Let's Go for a Ride on an Electric-powered Fukuchari!

• Usage Fee:

Up to 4 hours.....¥200 1 day.....¥500 *The bike Can be rented for up to a maximum of 5 days. *An ID must be presented at the time of rental.

Rental Hours: 8am to 9pm *Some facilities' rental hours vary based on business hours



You can rent a Fukuchari from the following locations:

Bike-lending Port	Phone
Fukui Chamber of Commerce Building	0776-33-8251
Your Hotel Fukui	0776-25-3200
Hotel Riverge Akebono	0776-22-1000
Ace Inn Fukui	0776-26-0011
Fukui Palace Hotel	0776-23-3800
Fukui Palace Inn	0776-23-3801
APA Hotel Fukui Katamachi	0776-28-7111
Hotel Fujita Fukui	0776-27-8811
Fukui Castle Hotel	0776-23-7700
Fukui Phoenix Hotel	0776-21-1800
Keifuku Bus Ticket Center	0776-24-4890
Phoenix Plaza	0776-20-5060
City Cultural Hall	0776-20-5010
Fukui City Griffis Museum	0776-50-2911
City Tourist Information Office	0776-20-5348
(Happiring)	

]f you would like to rent a FukuChari, please register at the window or hotel front desk. *You Can return the bike at a port other than the one you rented from!*

Inquiries: 0776-20-5387

CHILDREN EVENTS

History Workshop

Learn to make an uchiwa (traditional Japanese fan)
 Design a fan using traditional patterns made with monkiri (a papercutting technique)
 Date & Time: Thurs. August 2nd, 2pm - 4pm
 Max. no. of participants: 20 (first come, first served)
 Fee: ¥200

Learn to make wadokaichin (old Japanese currency) Make a replica of money used during the Nara Period by fusing metals. Date & Time: Sat. August 4th, 2pm - 3pm Max. no. of participants: 20 (first come, first served) Fee: ¥100

Learn to make magatama (beads used during Japan's prehistoric period)
 Date & Time: August 7th (Tues.), 14th (Tues.), 21st (Tues.) & 23rd (Thurs.)
 2pm - 3:30pm
 Max. no. of participants: 20 (first come, first served)
 Fee: ¥100

Learn to make Fukui hansatsu (old Fukui currency)
 You will make money used in Fukui during the Edo Period using stamps
 Date & Time: Thurs. August 9th, 2 - 3pm
 Max. no. of participants: 10 (first come, first served)
 Fee: ¥100

Learn to make a kagami from the Kofun Period
 You will make a replica of sankaku-buchishin-jukyo (ancient mirror decorated with gods & animals) using gypsum
 Date & Time: Thurs. August 16th, 1:30pm - 4pm
 Max. no. of participants: 20 (first come, first served)
 Fee: ¥100

General Information

Place: Fukui City History Museum Target: Elementary school students & older (elementary school students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian) Inquiries: 0776-21-0489

Parent & Child Soba Lessons

Make soba (buckwheat noodles) with your family using Miyama's own water & buckwheat. You will later enjoy your noodles which the restaurant will make into *oroshi soba* (soba with grated daikon)

Date → Time: August 5th (Sunday) → 12th (Sunday) 10am to 12pm (reception is open until 9:45am)

Place: Miyama Choju Soba Dojo Gottsuosan Tei

Target: 5 year old Children and older (Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian)

Fee: ¥2760 per group

*Up to 4 people per group

Items to bring: Apron, bandana

Registration: Starting Mon. July 30th, either Call or fax to register

Inquiries & Registration (phone & fax): 0776-90-1144



Make Garden Boxes Using Succulents

Create your own original garden box using your preferred succulent plants Date & Time: August 24th (Friday) & 25th (Saturday)

Starts at 10am & 1:30pm

Place: Echizen Suisen no Sato Park

Target: Elementary school students & older

Max. no. of participants: 20 (first come, first served)

Fee: ¥1800 (includes admission)

Registration (by phone or in person): Starts on August 1st (Wednesday)

Inquiries & Registration: Echizen Suisen no Sato Park

0776-89-2381 (9am to 5pm)



Fukui City Natural History Museum: Special Exhibit

4 Make Insect Accessories

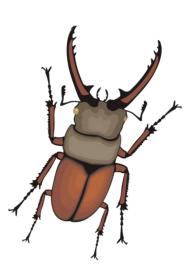
Using plastic models, you will be making insect accessories. Elementary school students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Date & Time: August 11th (Saturday, holiday) 10am to 3pm Max. no. of participants: 50 (first come, first served)

Win a Horned beetle or Stag beetle in a Bingo Tournament Twenty lucky people will win one of these beetles each day. There will also be a study breeding methods & manners.

Date & Time: August 12th (Sunday) & 13th (Monday)

3:30 to 5pm



Target: Elementary and middle school students

Details:

Aug. 12th – The world's horned & stag beetles Aug. 13th – Fukui Prefecture's horned & stag beetles

4 Make Butterfly Wing Bookmarks

We will be making bookmarks with butterfly wings. Elementary school students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Date & Time: August 14th (Tuesday) & 26th (Sunday)

10am to 3pm Max. no. of participants: 100 (first come, first served)

4 Make an Original Insect Badge

We will be coloring pictures of insects & making badges. Date & Time: August 15th (Wednesday) 10am to 3pm Max. no. of participants: 100 (first come, first served)

✤ Make Horned & Stag Beetle Helmets

We will be making Hercules & giant stag beetle helmets. Elementary school students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Date & Time: August 16th (Thursday) 10am to 3pm Max. no. of participants: 50 (first come, first served)

General Information

Place: Natural History Museum Inquiries: 0776-35-2844