

Calling All English Speakers!!!

Come interact with Fukui natives in a fun and unique way! There will be a wide range of English language skill amongst the participants, so just come and help them have a great time! The overall theme is to turn Fukui City natives into volunteer English interpreters!

This event consists of a few gatherings where we have foreigners and Fukui natives interact with each other to increase Fukui's English capabilities as a whole. With the Olympics right around the corner and the Shinkansen, Hokuriku line, soon to be completed, the amount of Fukui visitors will increase over time. In order to prepare for this influx, some brave natives have stepped forward to try their hand at interpreting. That is what this event is for: to help these brave natives enjoy the language and themselves for a few hours.

When: June 29th (Sat.), Sep. 21st (Sat.), Oct. 19th (Sat.) from 13:30-16:00

And Nov. 16th (Sat.), 10:00-13:00

Total: 4 times

The last meeting, Nov. 16th, will be a soba-making experience (as an English-speaking volunteer, your expenses will be covered)! The shop would like an accurate headcount, so please be consistent with your participation.

***You are not required to attend all 4 courses. For the sake of consistency and group sizes, we would prefer participants leave these dates and times available; with less helpers, we will have to group more natives together and consequently form larger groups. Doing so usually makes it easier to avoid interacting on a personal level with the instructor, which is what we would like to avoid.

Where: Varies on day. For more information, call the number below.

Participation Fee: Free for English speakers

Contact: Fukui International Citizens Association

TEL: 0776-97-5020

Reminder: All transactions will be conducted in Japanese.

One Chipmunk and Two Prairie Dogs to Join Asuwayama Zoo Family!

CURRENTLY IN THE FUNDRAISING PROCESS! THE ANIMALS HAVE NOT ARRIVED AT THE ZOO JUST YET!

In order to create a comfortable living habitat for the newly arriving single chipmunk (3-year old female named Choro) and two female prairie dogs (2-year old Reina and 10-year old Mina), the zoo needs your help with funding. Tax monies will be used for this operation, so tell your friends living outside of Fukui City to help give these cute, little furballs a new home in our city!

Introductions:



Choro the Chipmunk (3 yrs.): An easy-going, female chipmunk that can be found sleeping on her favorite branch during any time of the day.

Reina the Prairie Dog (2 yrs.): An extremely friendly, female prairie dog that can often be seen in the lap of her trainer.



Mina the Prairie Dog (10 yrs.): As a mature female, she is welcome to the thought of making new friends!

Goal: 10,000,000 yen

Fundraising Period: May 27th (Mon.) – July 26th (Fri.)

How to Donate: At the zoo itself (or online via website, but it is only in Japanese and it seems it may be difficult to navigate)

Special Bonus: Depending on how much you pledge, you will be given gifts which include things such as animal-feeding tickets!

Contact: Asuwayama Amusement Park Office

TEL: 0776-34-1680

Reminder: All transactions will be conducted in Japanese.

Noh: Traditional Singing

Come try out the fundamental “Utai” known as the backbone of Noh! To give a brief explanation, it would be the reverberating, exaggerated style of storytelling that harmonizes with music playing in the background. Care to try?

When: June 22nd (Sat.) 18:00-19:00

Where: Happiring, 3F, 伝統芸能練習室 Dentou Geinou Renshuushitsu
(To the right of the up escalator or to the left when exiting the elevators)

Capacity: 20 (first come, first serve)

Application: Phone and FAX reception from June 10th (Mon.) – 18th (Tues.), 9:00-17:00

Contact: Fukui Noh Society (Ask for Amano)

TEL: 090-4324-3650

FAX: 0776-24-7851

Echizen and Akechi Mitsuhide

Come join us on our journey through the Ichijodani Asakura Clan Ruins Museum, guided by a museum curator, as we explore the exhibitions and lands known to have connections to the famous Akechi Mitsuhide.

When: June 22nd (Sat.) 9:00-12:00

Where: 県立一乗谷朝倉氏遺跡資料館 (Kenritsu Ichijodani Asakurashi Iseki Shiryoukan)、安養寺跡 (Anyouji Ato)、一乗谷朝倉氏遺跡復原町並 (Ichijodani Asakurashi Iseki Fukugen Machinarabi)

Host: Museum Curator, Ishikawa Misaki

Capacity: 15 (random selection)

Participation Fee: 230 yen

(Price for double access tickets: Museum and Restored Townscape)

*Free admittance for those ages 70 and older

Application: Accepted via phone or email from May 30th (Thurs.) – June 7th (Fri.)

Contact: Culture Promotion Division

TEL: 0776-20-5367

Email: b-shinkou@city.fukui.lg.jp

A Summer Breeze

We bring you our rendition of a refreshing summer day amidst nature's splendor. Care to experience tea ceremony this summer?

When: May 23rd (Thurs.) – August 19th (Mon.), 9:00-17:15

*Final admission at 16:45

Where: 愛宕坂茶道美術館 Atagozaka Sadou Bijutsukan

Participation Fee: 100 yen

*Middle school students and younger, elderly of age 70 and older, and those with physical or mental disabilities are granted free admission.

Contact: Atagozaka Tea Ceremony Museum

TEL: 0776-33-3933

Asuwayama's History (Part 1/2): The History of Our Mountain

We will be looking back at our marvelous mountain's past through photographs taken by fellow admirers of Asuwayama.

When: Until August 25th (Sun.), 9:00-17:15

*Final admission at 16:45

Where: Akemi Tachibana Literature Memorial Museum

Participation Fee: 100 yen

*Middle school students and younger, elderly of age 70 and up, and those with physical or mental disabilities are granted free admission.

Contact: Akemi Tachibana Literature Memorial Museum

TEL: 0776-35-1110

Archery Classroom

◇ One-Day Archery Lessons

When: June 1st (Sat.), 14:00-16:00

*Reception begins 13:30

Capacity: 25 (first come, first serve and on-site reception)

◇ Archery Course

June 6th (Thurs.) – August 13th (Tues.) every Tuesday and Thursday, total 20 meetings

Every meeting from 19:00-21:00

*Reception begins at 18:30

Capacity: 30 (first come, first serve)

Participation Fee: 4000 yen

(Insurance and supplies fee included)

Contact: Must submit application to the Municipal Archery Dojo any time between May 30th (Thurs.) and June 6th (Thurs.).

*Application forms are located at the Municipal Archery Dojo.

◇ General Information

Where: 市弓道場 (松本 4 丁目) Shi Kyuudoujou (Matsumoto 4 choume)

Only For: Those either living in Fukui City or commuting (for work or school) to Fukui City and must be at least a 5th-year elementary school student

Things to Bring: White tabi or socks

Contact: Fukui Municipal Archery Dojo Association (Ask for Yamamoto)

TEL: 090-1631-8367

June Organic Garden Session

When: June 5th (Wed.), 9:30-11:30

Where: マイドーム清水 (真栗町) Mai Do-mu Shimizu (Makurichou)

Activities:

- EM fertilizer workshop
- How to prevent insect-borne diseases
- Determining the best time to harvest onions

Host: Asano Shinichirou

Participation Fee: 1000 yen

Application: Reception via phone begins June 1st (Sat.)

Contact: My Dome Shimizu

TEL: 0776-98-4222

Astronomical Observation at Dinosaur Plaza

◇ Celestial Bodies to See

We will be viewing the moon and several stars highlighted that night.

When: June 13th (Thurs.), 19:30-20:30

◇ Sun Observation

When: June 16th (Sun.) 13:00-14:00

◇ General Information

Where: JR Fukui Station, West Gate Dinosaur Plaza

*Event will be cancelled due to cloudy or rainy weather.

Contact: Seiren Planet

TEL: 0776-43-1622



Events: Museum of Natural History

◇ Celestial Body Observation: The Sun

We will observe sunspots using a solar projector.

When: June 8th (Sat.) and 9th (Sun.), 10:00-12:00 and 13:00-15:00

*Event will be cancelled in the case of cloudy or rainy weather.

◇ Your Very Own Planetarium!: One You Can Enjoy Just Looking at It!

When: June 15th (Sat.), 15:00-16:00

*Reception starts at 13:00.

Only For: Those in elementary school or older

*Elementary school students must be accompanied by a guardian(s).

Capacity: 20 (first come, first serve and on-site reception)

◇ Natural History: The Secret Behind Jupiter's Stripes

Come have fun and learn about why this planet's stripes are unique!

When: June 15th (Sat.), 13:30-14:30

Only For: Those in elementary school or older

Capacity: 30 (first come, first serve and on-site reception)

◇ General Information

Contact: 自然史博物館 Shizenshi Hakubutsukan

(Fukui City Museum of Natural History)

TEL: 0776-35-2844

Etsumi North Line: A Magnificent Sight of Fireflies

When: June 22nd (Sat.), 16:00-22:00

*Event will be cancelled in the case of rainy weather.

**We recommend riding the 14:54 train to the Echizen-Ono Station from the JR Fukui Station, Etsumi Hokusen line.

Only For: Those living in Fukui City

Details:

- Brisk walk
- Firefly appreciation

*You can either return via the JR Fukui train or bus, which stops at Miyama station

Capacity: 30 (random selection)

Participation Fee:

General: 2000 yen

3rd-year elementary school students and younger: 1500 yen

(Dinner fee included)

*Other fees (transportation) are not included in this price.

Application: Postcard must be received by June 10th (Mon.) with all participating members' personal information as well as the party representative's phone number at which he/she may be reached (groups are held to a maximum of 4).

Application Information:

Postal Code: 912-8666

越美北線ふれあいホテルの旅申込 (Etsumi Hokusen Fureai Hotaru no Tabi Moushikomi)

Above means, Etsumi North Line, Fureai Hotaru Adventure Application

Contact: Ono City Hall, Architectural Maintenance Division

TEL: 0779-64-4815

Fukui Fish Market: Tuna Dissection

When: June 8th (Sat.), 10:30-11:30

Where: さくだ屋 (ふくい鮮いちば) Sakuda-ya inside the fish market

Activities:

- Dissection of a tuna over 60 kg
- Selling of fresh tuna sashimi, sushi, donburi (until supplies last)

Inquiries: Chuuou Wholesale Marketplace

TEL: 0776-53-0001