

ICIEF Board

*The Monthly
 Living Guide
 for the Itabashi
 International
 Community*



Burlington, Canada Sister City Partnership 25th Anniversary Project: "Japanese Festival: *Mori no Nigiwai!*"

In May 1989, Itabashi concluded a sister city partnership with the city of Burlington, Canada. To mark the 25th anniversary of the partnership this year, a delegation from Burlington will visit Itabashi in May. To coincide with their visit, ICIEF will hold a welcome event, "Japanese Festival: *Mori no Nigiwai!*". The festival name refers to the lively atmosphere (*nigiwai*) at a traditional festival held in the sacred grove (*mori*) surrounding a forest shrine.

Even if you don't speak English (or French!), you can interact with the guests from Burlington by participating in and experiencing the activities at the festival. There will be a variety of activities for adults and children to enjoy, so please come along and join in the fun! "Itabashi welcome" - welcome with a smile! ☺

Content:

«Japanese Culture» ※Times in brackets are approximate.

- *Shishimai* (Lion Dance) (13:00~13:15)
- Welcome Ceremony (13:15~13:30)
- *Bon-odori* (Bon Festival Dance) Join in dancing two songs with us! (13:30~14:00)
- *Shinme-bayashi* (Shinme festival music) (14:00~14:30)

«Fair Stall Corner»

A staple at any shrine festival! Stalls will include classics like Cotton Candy, Yo-yo Scooping, Super Ball Scooping, Mini Rifle Range etc. Join in and help create a fun festival atmosphere!

«Washi Japanese Paper Craft Corner»

Try craftwork using *Washi* (Japanese paper). Make a dish using *Washi* and fallen leaves.

«Wagashi Japanese Confectionary Corner»

Learn about various types of *Wagashi* (Japanese confectionary), including *Jo-nama-gashi**. Confectionary will also be on sale on the day! *High-grade fresh Japanese confections made by sculpting colorful mochi (rice cake) in seasonal designs around red bean paste.

«Canada Corner»

- Mini Canadian Garden display
- Canadian Quilt display (A gift from Canada after 3/11)
- Canada Corner

There will also be panel displays on the history of the exchange between Itabashi and Burlington.

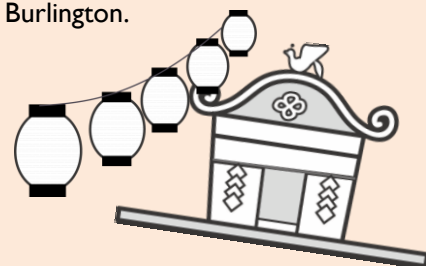
Time: 17 May (Sat) 12:00~15:00

Place: Green Hall, 2F Hall (Sakae-cho 36-1)

Cost: FREE (※Fair Stalls Corner requires money)

To apply: None necessary. Just turn up on the day!

Contact: Itabashi Culture & International Exchange Foundation, International Exchange Subsection ☎: 03-3579-2015



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Try Wakyu, Japanese Archery

Wakyu (or Kyudo) is the ancient Japanese martial art of archery using a bow and arrow to hit a target tens of meters away. A simply and approachable activity, it is popular with all ages and genders, regardless of level of experience. Take advantage of a special opportunity to try Wakyu, training your body and mind by becoming one with the bow and the target.

Time: Classes will be held on 6 days in June.

Morning session 10:00~ Evening session 18:00~

A detailed schedule will be announced in *Koho Itabashi* newsletter.

Place: Wakyu archery range (和弓場) Azusawa 3-1-1

Access: 5 minute walk from Shimura-sakaue station (Toei Mita line) or Shimura-sakaue bus stop (Kokusai Kogyo bus Ike-21 route, between Takashimadaira station and Ikebukuro west entrance)

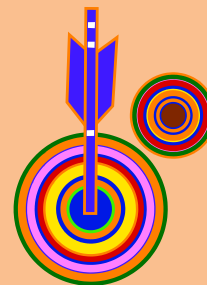
Target: Middle school pupils and above who live, work or attend school in Itabashi

Quota: 30 people

Participation fee: Adults ¥4000, middle school pupils ¥2000

A separate Facility Usage Fee of ¥310 (¥100 for middle school pupils) is also required.

Contact: Azusawa Gymnasium (小豆沢体育館) ☎: 03-3969-4166



Event

Get Information in Multiple Languages on ICIEF's Website!

ICIEF publishes information in multiple languages (Chinese, English, Korean) on its website, as well as this monthly newsletter. There are lots of announcements and useful information about Japanese language lessons, local tips for everyday life, government services, talks and other events. Take a look!

Japanese <http://www.itabashi-ci.org/>

English <http://www.itabashi-ci.org/int-en/>

Chinese <http://www.itabashi-ci.org/int-ch/>

Korean <http://www.itabashi-ci.org/int-kr/>

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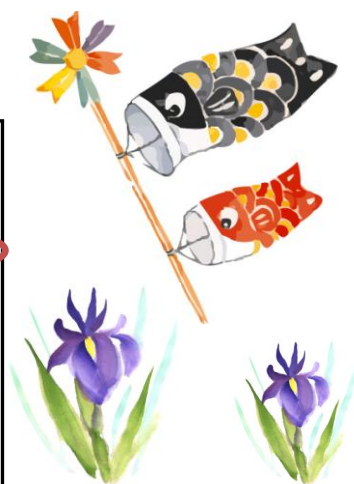
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1) International Salon

Come and enjoy a fun time with people of many nationalities!

The International Salon is a place where foreign people and Japanese people can interact held once a month by the volunteer group *Nakama*. Please drop by and join in!

Time & Place:

- ① June 7 (Sat) 14:30~16:30 Green Hall, Room 601
- ② July 5 (Sat) 14:30~16:30 Green Hall, Room 504
- ③ August 9 (Sat) 14:30~16:30 Green Hall, Room 504

Place: Green Hall (Sakae-cho 36-1)

Access: 5 minute walk from Itabashi Kuyakusho-mae station (Toei Mita line) or Ooyama station (Tobu Tojo line).

Cost: ¥200 (includes refreshments)

To apply: None necessary. Just turn up on the day!

※Friendship Club *Nakama* has a website with information about its staff and activities.

Search for 「フレンドシップクラブ ^{なかま}仲間」 (Friendship Club *Nakama*).

○<http://www.geocities.jp/itabashifriendshipclub/index.html>

○<https://www.facebook.com/itabashifriendshipclubnakama>

Learn about different cultures and make new

**2. ♪ Let's visit The Great Buddha of Tokyo with friends from all over the world! ♪**

Where do you think of when you hear "The Great Buddha"? Is it Nara? Or Kamakura? Not at all! In fact, there is a big Buddha statue in Itabashi too to rival those in Kamakura and Nara! Let's visit the "The Great Buddha of Tokyo" with friends from all around the world! You'll be certain to make new friends through recreation and strolling round the vicinity of the big Buddha. Enjoy sight-seeing and make new friends by participating in this event! ♪

Time: May 31 (Sat) Meet at 13:00, finish at 16:00

Meeting place: At the ticket gate at Nishi-takashimadaira station, Toei Mita Line

Capacity: 10 Japanese people and 10 foreign people (must be over 18 years old to attend)

※A lottery will be held if oversubscribed.

Participation fee: ¥300

To apply: Apply by telephone, fax or e-mail with the following information to the address below: ① "Tokyo Great Buddha Sight-seeing Tour Application" (東京大仏見学申込み) ^{とうきょうだいぶつけんがくもうしこみ}, ② Address, ③ Name, ④ Telephone number, ⑤ Gender, ⑥ Nationality.

Closing date for applications: May 16 (Fri)

Contact: Itabashi Culture and International Exchange Foundation, International Exchange Subsection

Itabashi 2-66-1, Itabashi (Inside the Culture and International Exchange section inside Itabashi City Hall, 〒173-8501)

☎: 03-3579-2015 FAX : 03-3579-2166 E-mail : kkouryu@city.itabashi.tokyo.jp

※See the Friendship Club *Nakama* homepage for more details.



Event

Nakajuku District Festival

Time: May 25 (Sun) 10:00~14:30

Place: Kaga Elementary School (Inaridai 23-1)

Content: Mini steam train, bouncy castle slide, curly bread-making, police corner, environment corner, kids' play area, firefighting corner, adults' consultation corner, carnival booths, specialty products from Tohoku disaster area corner, Itabashi Shopping Street Association branch corner etc.

Contact: Nakajuku Regional Center ☎: 03-3963-1621

Event

Science and Education Hall Event Guide

● Planetarium de Talk Event: "Tanabata Bus"

A reading-aloud session of picture books will be held beneath the starry sky of the planetarium.

Time: July 5 (Sat), 6 (Sun) 11:00~ **Place:** Itabashi Science and Education Hall, 1F planetarium

Target: Children aged from 2 years **Cost:** Adults ¥350, children ¥120

Admission tickets: Tickets go on sale from 9:30am on the day at the automatic ticket vending machine next to reception.



● Planetarium Concert: "Itabashi Latinization Project"

An event for all ages, where you can enjoy Latin music under the starry night sky.

Time: July 12 (Sat) 18:00 start **Performer:** NORA (Orquesta de la Luz), L-aco

Place: Science and Education Hall, 1F planetarium **Target:** Elementary school pupils and above

(※Elementary school pupils must be accompanied by a guardian; not suitable for pre-school children)

Capacity: 197 people (in order of application) **Cost:** ¥1,500

To apply: telephone applications from May 10 (Sat) 9:00am, in-person applications from May 11 (Sun) 9:00am

● Science Classroom: "Pig's Eye Dissection"

Dissecting a real pig's eye, we will remove the optic lens to study how it functions as a lens.

Time: June 1 (Sun) 13:00~15:30 **Place:** Science and Education Hall, Laboratory No.1

Target: Elementary school pupils grade 4 and above, including adults **Cost:** ¥700

Application period: May 1 (Thu)~22 (Thu) **Capacity:** 20 people ※A lottery will be held if oversubscribed.

To apply: Send the following information via e-mail to itakk@itbs-sem.jp ①"Application for Pig's Eye Dissection" (「豚の眼の解剖」申込), ②Address, postcode, ③Name (with furigana), ④Telephone number, ⑤Name of school or place of employment, ⑥School grade or age, ⑦Name of spectator (if bringing one)

※You will be informed of the results after the deadline has closed, whether or not your application has been successful.

Contact: Itabashi Science and Education Hall

Tokiwadai 4-14-1, Itabashi, 〒174-0071

☎: 03-3559-6561 E-mail: itakk@itbs-sem.jp Homepage: <http://www.itbs-sem.jp>

★ Consultation Support Center for Foreign Residents TEL : 03-3202-5535 / 03-5155-4039

【Time】 Mon~Fri 9:00~16:00 ※No service every 2nd and 4th Wed 【Language】 English, Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese