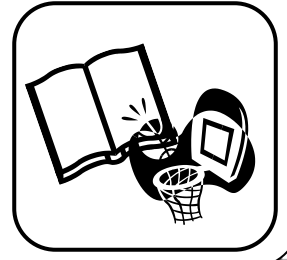


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Libraries・Cultural Facilities・Sports Facilities



Living Information for Foreign Residents of Itabashi City
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◆ Enjoying your leisure time

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Libraries

There are eleven municipal libraries in Itabashi which anyone can use. If you live, work or study in Itabashi, you are also eligible to borrow various types of media such as books, CDs and cassette tapes from the libraries. Please bring identification (resident card, health insurance card, utility bill, etc.) with your current address to register so that a library card can be made for you.

| <u>Library</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Telephone</u> | <u>Hours of Operation</u> | <u>Closing Days</u> |
|---|--|------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Chuo Library | 1-13-1 Tokiwadai | 03-3967-5261 | 9:00AM-8:00PM* | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Third Monday of the month (if a national holiday, closed the following day) • Last day of the month (if a weekend or national holiday, closed the following day) • End of year holiday season (December 29th - January 4th) • March 31st • Special periods when the library is undergoing restoration • Other dates designated by Board of Education |
| Akatsuka Library | 6-38-1 Akatsuka(2F, Akatsuka Branch Office) | 03-3939-5281 | | |
| Shimizu Library | 16-16 Izumi-cho (3F, Shimizu Regional Center) | 03-3965-9701 | | |
| Hasune Library | 3-15-1-101 Hasune(1F, No.1 Hasune 3-chome Apartment) | 03-3965-7351 | | |
| Hikawa Library | 28-9 Hikawa-cho | 03-3961-9981 | | |
| Takashimadaira Library | 3-13-1 Takashimadaira | 03-3939-6565 | | |
| Higashi Itabashi Library | 1-10-15 Kaga | 03-3579-2666 | | |
| Komone Library | 1-6-2 Komone | 03-3554-8801 | | |
| Nishidai Library | 3-13-2 Nishidai | 03-5399-1191 | | |
| Shimura Library | 1-8-1 Azusawa | 03-5994-3021 | | |
| Narimasu Library | 3-13-1 Narimasu (3F, Ariesu) | 03-3977-6078 | 10:00AM-5:00PM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mondays (if a national holiday, closed the following day) • Last day of the month (if a weekend or national holiday, closed the following day) • Yearend holiday period (December 29th – January 4th) • March 31st |
| Itabashi-Bologna Children's Book Hall** | 3F, 24-1 Hon-cho | 03-3579-2665 | | |

* The Kids' Room at each library closes at different times depending on the season.

** The Itabashi-Bologna Children's Book Hall contains over 27,000 books from around 100 different countries around the world donated from Italy. (Books can be freely read and used at the Hall but cannot be borrowed or taken out)

Sports Facilities

▶ **Contact:** *Sports Promotion Section City Office North Building 8F #14, TEL: 03-3579-2651*

Itabashi has several gymnasiums, warm water pools, baseball fields, tennis courts, soccer fields and futsal (five-a-side football) fields. The hours of operation, usage type (group/individual), equipment that can be used, user requirements and usage fees depend on each facility. The facilities may also be reserved for group-usage depending on the hours. For detailed information please contact the Sports Promotion Section.

▶ The usage fees listed below are for adults.

Azusawa Gymnasium

Location: 3-1-1 Azusawa, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3969-4166

Closed: Second Monday of every month (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Facility fees: Indoor gymnasium ¥330; The 1st Martial Arts Gym (Tatami floor), 2nd Martial Arts Gym (wooden floor) ¥320, Heated Indoor Swimming Pool ¥470, Training Room ¥420

▶ Japanese archery facilities, baseball fields and tennis courts, etc., are also available nearby.

Akatsuka Gymnasium

Location: 5-6-1 Akatsuka, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3938-1966

Closed: Third Monday of every month (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Facility Fee: Indoor gymnasium ¥330, heated pool ¥470, training room ¥420

Higashi-itabashi Gymnasium

Location: 1-10-5 Kaga, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3579-2626

Closed: Third Monday of every month (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Facility fees: Indoor gymnasium ¥330, Daiichi Budo Dojo (tatami flooring) and Daini Budo Dojo (wooden flooring) ¥320, heated pool ¥470, training room ¥420

*Scheduled to be closed due to major upgrading works between February 3, 2020 and July, 2021 (tentative).

Kami-itabashi Gymnasium

Location: 1-3-1 Sakuragawa, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-5399-6501

Closed: Second Monday of every month (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Facility fees: Indoor gymnasium ¥330, Daiichi Budo Dojo (tatami flooring) and Daini Budo Dojo (wooden flooring) ¥320, heated pool ¥470, training room ¥420

Takashimadaira Heated Pool

Location: 8-28-1 Takashimadaira, Itabashi-ku, **Telephone:** 03-3932-5348

Closed: Second Monday of every month (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Fees: Heated pool ¥470, training room ¥310

Cultural and Educational Facilities

Culture Hall

This facility is used for music, theatrical and artistic performances as well as various other events. For information about performances or tickets please contact the Culture Hall directly. There are also rooms that can be used for meetings, music practice and tea ceremony. Please call the telephone number below for more information.

Location: 51-1 Oyama Higashi-cho, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3579-2222

Office hours: 9:00AM-8:00PM

Closed: Yearend holiday period

Charges: for renting rooms.

Manapoto (Lifelong Learning Center)

Various programs aimed at Itabashi residents are held at these centers. Please make use of these centers for your social or educational group activities.

▶ **Ohara Lifelong Learning Center** 5-18 Ohara-cho, Itabashi-ku, Tel: 03-3969-0401

▶ **Narimasu Lifelong Learning Center** 1-12-4 Narimasu, Itabashi-ku, Tel: 03-3975-9706

Opening hours: 9:00AM-9:30PM

Closed: Third Monday of every month, December 29th to January 3th

Charges: There is a small fee for using rooms (group registration necessary).

Junior high school, high school students, and other youths can use the "i-youth" space free of charge.

Itabashi Art Museum

The Itabashi Art Museum holds various outstanding regular exhibits on arts and culture.

Location: 5-34-27 Akatsuka, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3979-3251

Hours of operation: 9:30AM-5:00PM

Closed: Mondays (if a national holiday, closed the following day), yearend holiday period and periods when exhibits are being changed

Admission: Free (some charges apply for special exhibits)

Itabashi Historical Museum

The Itabashi Historical Museum is a facility where people can learn about Itabashi's history through its displays of fossils and old pottery excavated in Itabashi, historical documents, folklore materials and a traditional folk village house.

Location: 5-35-25 Akatsuka, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-5998-0081

Hours of operation: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Closed: Mondays (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Admission: Free (some charges apply for special exhibits)

Folk Arts Museum

A facility to practice and learn traditional Itabashi folk arts

Location: 6-29-13 Tokumaru, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-5398-4711

Hours of operation: 9:00AM-9:30PM

Closed: Every 3rd Monday (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Charges: There is a small fee for renting rooms (group registration necessary).

Itabashi Science and Education Hall

Visitors can learn about science and scientific knowledge while having fun. The facility has a planetarium, panel exhibitions and other fascinating exhibits to enjoy.

Location: 4-14-1 Tokiwadai, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3559-6561

Hours of operation: 9:00AM-4:30PM (open until 5:00PM during summer vacation)

Closed: Mondays (if a national holiday, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Admission: Free (admission applies to planetarium)

Ecopolis Center

Ecopolis Center is a hands-on educational facility. Visitors can learn about the environment through fun and interesting interactive panel exhibitions, resource rooms and various environmental lectures.

Location: 4-6-1 Maeno-cho, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-5970-5001

Hours of operation: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Closed: Third Monday of the month (if a national holiday or closing day, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Admission: Free

Tropical Environment Botanical Garden

Recreating South East Asian tropical landscape and encouraging appreciation of marine life and plants, the Tropical Botanical Garden is an educational facility that offers people a chance to learn about global environmental problems such as tropical forest deforestation while also having fun.

Location: 8-29-2 Takashimadaira, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-5920-1131

Hours of Operation: 10:00AM-6:00PM (Last entry 5:30 PM)

Closed: Mondays (if a national holiday or closing day, closed the following day) and yearend holiday period

Admission: Adults: ¥260, elementary and junior-high school students and individuals 65 years old and over: ¥130 (free admission for elementary and junior-high school students on weekends and the summer vacation period)

*Scheduled to be closed about six months starting from September 23, 2020 due to upgrading works.

The Uemura Adventure Museum

Named after the adventure Naomi Uemura, who lived in Itabashi, this facility celebrates his sense of adventure. Photographs and some of the actual equipment that he used are on display.

Location: 2-21-5 Hasune, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3969-7421

Hours of Operation: 10:00AM-6:00PM

Closed: Mondays (if a national holiday, closed the following day,) yearend holiday period and when the exhibits are being changed (except for the Information Corner)

Cost: Free

Itabashi City Archives

This facility stores and displays precious records and historical materials such as old maps and photographs, administrative publications, and official documents concerning Itabashi City. Some photographs and videos are available for borrowing.

Location: 24-1 Hon-cho, Itabashi-ku

Telephone: 03-3579-2291

Hours of Operation: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Closed: Sundays, Mondays (including national holidays), yearend holiday period

Cost: Free

Meeting Facilities

Meeting facilities are for all citizens who are interested in enriching their hobbies and education. Moreover, there are plenty of meeting facilities promoting friendly relationships. For information on facility fees, hours and applications please contact each facility individually.

| <u>Facility</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Telephone</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Culture Hall | 51-1 Oyama Higashi-cho | 03-3579-2222 |
| Green Hall | 36-1 Sakae-cho | 03-3579-2221 |
| Takashimadaira Citizen's Hall | 3-12-28 Takashimadaira | 03-3938-1392 |
| Itabashi Community Center | 3-14-15 Itabashi | 03-3963-5049 |
| Kumano Community Center | 40-9 Kumano-cho | 03-3959-4115 |
| Nakajuku Community Center | 12-10 Hikawa-cho | 03-3963-1621 |
| Nakacho Community Center | 20-5 Naka-cho | 03-3958-1101 |
| Fujimi Community Center | 3-1 Fujimi-cho | 03-3962-9281 |
| Oyaguchi Community Center | 2-12-5 Oyaguchi | 03-3959-4130 |
| Mukaihara Hall | 1-18-17 Mukaihara | 03-3957-8154 |
| Tokiwadai Community Center | 4-14-1 Tokiwadai | 03-3559-6560 |
| Tokiwadai Community Meeting Room | 3-27-1 Tokiwadai | 03-3559-6560 |
| Shimizu Community Center | 16-16 Izumi-cho | 03-3969-7564 |
| Shimura-sakaue Community Center | 2-19-15 Azusawa | 03-3969-7577 |
| Shimura Community Hall | 1-8-1 Azusawa | 03-5994-3081 |
| Nakadai Community Center | 1-44-8 Nakadai | 03-3932-9990 |
| Hasune Community Center | 2-18-1 Sakashita | 03-3969-5723 |
| Lotus Hall | 3-10-G-214 Sakashita | 03-3965-2035 |
| Funado Community Center | 3-19-8 Funado | 03-3558-4193 |
| Funado Hall | 1-14-5 Funado | 03-3969-5722 |
| Maeno Community Center | 4-6-1 Maeno-cho | 03-3969-0307 |
| Maeno Hall | 2-43-15 Maeno-cho | 03-3967-6726 |
| Sakuragawa Community Center | 2-45-6 Toshin-cho | 03-3974-3180 |
| Shimo-akatsuka Community Center | 6-38-1 Akatsuka | 03-3938-5116 |
| Narimasu Community Center | 3-11-3-405 Narimasu | 03-5998-6881 |

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| Tokumaru Community Center | 3-35-15 Tokumaru | 03-3932-5370 |
| Kitano Hall | 2-12-12 Tokumaru | 03-3932-1090 |
| Takashimadaira Community Center | 3-12-28 Takashimadaira | 03-3938-1392 |

Parks

▶ **Contact:** **Parks & Greenery Section** City Office South Building 5F #22,
TEL: 03-3579-2525

Itabashi has numerous large and small parks, botanical gardens and zoos for children. By taking the opportunity to use these parks you will be sure to more thoroughly enjoy your life in Itabashi.

| <u>Park</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Telephone</u> |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|
| Akatsuka Botanical Garden※1 | 5-17-14 Akatsuka | 03-3975-9127 |
| Itabashi Peace Park | 4-3-1 Tokiwadai | — |
| Hikawa Tsuribori (fishing) Park※2 | 21-15 Hikawacho | — |
| Mitsugi (boating) Park ※3 | 4-59-1 Maeno-cho | — |
| Akatsuka Tameike Park | 5-35-27 Akatsuka | — |
| Itabashi Kotsu (Traffic) Park※4 | 21-1 Oyama-Nishicho | 03-3973-2550 |
| Johoku Kotsu (Traffic) Park※4 | 2-19-1 Sakashita | 03-3969-9422 |
| Children's Zoo※5 | 3-50-1 Itabashi (inside Higashi Itabashi Park) | 03-3963-8003 |
| Children's Zoo, Takashimadaira Annex※6 | 8-24-1 Takashimadaira (inside Tokumarugahara Park) | 03-3932-0090 |
| Suisha (Waterwheel) Park (waterwheel mill, Japanese Garden, Tea ceremony room) ※7 | 1-17-12 Yotsuba | 03-3930-4952 (waterwheel mill) |
| Takenoko Park | 12-2 Daimon | — |
| Nirinso Park | 1-3-18 Wakagi | — |
| Yakushi No Izumi Park (Japanese Garden)※7 | 3-7-20 Azusawa | — |

※1 Break room (office and *midori* consultation room) is closed every Monday and third and fifth Tuesday of each month (if national holiday, closed the following weekday). Parks are closed during yearend holiday period (12/29-1/3)

※2 Park Closed first, third and fifth Thursday of each month (if national holiday, closed the following weekday), and yearend holiday period (12/28-1/4)

※3 Boating available April to October, Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays

※4 Park Closed Mondays (if national holiday, closed the following weekday), and yearend holiday period (12/28-1/4)

※5 Park Closed Mondays (if national holiday, closed the following weekday) and yearend holiday period (12/29-1/3)

Closed until July 31, 2020 due to upgrading works.

※6 Closed on Mondays (in case of a public holiday falls on Monday, following day) and Dec.29~Jan.3, year-end, New Year holidays)

※7 Park Closed during yearend holiday period (12/28-1/4)

Volunteer and NPO Activities

Itabashi Volunteer Center

▶ **Contact:** *Itabashi General Volunteer Center Office*, TEL: 03-5944-4601

The center provides information and consultation on NPO/volunteer activities, room rental services and information about NPOs and volunteer groups, etc.

Location: 24-1 Honcho, Itabashi-ku

(7 minute walk from Itabashi Honcho Station, Toei Mita Line)

Open: Every day except New Year and inspection days

Service time: 9:00AM-9:30PM

Consultation time: 9:00-19:00 Tuesday to Sunday, Monday (if national holiday),

※If Monday falls on national holiday, closed the following weekday.

Itabashi Tourism Center

▶ **Contact:** 3-14-15 Itabashi (inside Itabashi Community Center), TEL: 03-3963-5078

The Itabashi Tourism Center provides visitors with tourist information such as display of sightseeing guidebooks and materials and is responsible for promoting Itabashi as a tourist area.

Hours: 9:00AM-5:00PM

Closed: Every Tuesday (if national holiday, closed the following weekday) and yearend holiday period

Getting there: Oyama Station or Shimo-itabashi Station on Tobu-Tojo Line (15 minute walk), or Itabashi Kuyakusho-mae Station on Toei Mita Line (5 minute walk).

Gender Equality Promotion Center

▶ **Contact:** *Gender Equality Center*, Green Hall 7F, 36-1 Sakae-cho, Itabashi-ku
TEL: 03-3579-2790

The Center may be used by residents as a place for study, activities and interaction on issues of gender equality.

Hours: 9:00AM-9:30PM

Closed: Yearend holiday period, building maintenance days

Getting there: Oyama Station on Tobu-Tojo Line (5 minute walk), or Itabashi Kuyakusho-mae Station on Toei Mita Line (5 minute walk).

Information and Materials Corner

The Center has books, videos, DVDs and other materials for individuals to read and borrow regardless of age, gender etc. on themes such as daily life, working and living. In order to borrow materials, individuals will need to make a Center Borrowing Card. Bring identification to prove your name and address when you apply to make the card.

Group exchange corner

The Center also has free space for people to hold activities and exchange activities to do with the promotion of gender equality.