

Nara City Information for Residents

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Copies available on request at:

Nara City Hall Information Counter, Nara City Hall Shimin-Ka Counter,
Nara-shi Shimin Service Center (Nara Family 5F), Nara City Tourist Center,
Public Health Center (4F, Hagukumi Center), Chubu Kominkan, Seibu Kominkan,
Hokubu Kaikan, Chuo Library, Seibu Library, Kintetsu Nara Station,
Nara City Tourist Information Center (by JR Nara Station), Nara Chuo Post Office
and Nara-Nishi Post Office.

[Inquiries in English] Phone: 0742-22-5595 (9:00-17:00) E-mail: nsgghyk@gmail.com



Photo: Nara Rurie Festival

The Weather Warning Area for Nara City Will Change in March.

From 13:00 March 13 (Thurs.) onwards, weather warnings and advisories will be issued separately for the western and eastern parts of Nara City, instead of the current whole Nara City area.

What Warnings Are Included?

The Japan Meteorological Agency issues advisories when heavy rain or strong winds are expected to cause disasters, and warnings when more serious disasters are likely. For proper evacuation, information can be gathered from the Nara City website, other websites, and television broadcasts.

What Are Information Tools for Disaster Prevention and How Can They Be Used?

Loudspeakers for Disaster Prevention: Information will be broadcast within the relevant area only.

Disaster Prevention E-mails: E-mails will be sent to all pre-registered addresses, regardless of the area. Contents will vary dependent on recipients to clarify the relevant area.

Emergency Radio: Regardless of the relevant area, emergency radios will be activated in the whole city when weather warnings or advisories are issued. Information broadcasts by loudspeakers will also be broadcast on radio. Please also use other information sources, such as television and the Japan Meteorological Agency's website, to gather as much information as possible.

The QR code on the right is for e-mail pre-registration for smartphone and tablet users.

Register now! ⇒



What Districts of Nara City Belong to Which Area?

The Eastern Area of Nara City: places covered by the Eastern Branch Office*, Tsukigase Administration Centre, and Tsuge Administration Centre

* All parts of Nakanokawa-cho, including the parts covered by other branch offices or administration centers than the Eastern Branch Office, belong to the eastern area.

The Western Area of Nara City: places other than the eastern area

Inquiries: Kiki-Kanri-Ka (Crisis Management Section)

Nara City's Financial Balance Improved

As a Result of Improvement in Financial Balance, Nara City Has Successfully Moved Out of 'Caution' Status.

The Ministry of Finance, the city's lender, conducts surveys on local public finances. This year, Nara City's debt repayment capacity and cash flow situation, both of which were marked as 'caution' in the previous FY 2018 financial statements have been rated as 'not in need of caution'.

Four other indicators relating to financial analysis have also improved. Currently, Nara City does not fall into the category of low level of income and expenditure/reserves or high level of liabilities.

Inquiries: Zaisei-Ka (Financial Section) Tel. 0742-34-4720

“Transitional Measures for Free HPV (human papillomavirus) Vaccination Service” Will Be Implemented

Cervical cancer is a type of cancer that can be prevented

Eligible Individuals: Women who were born between April 2, 1997 and April 1, 2009 (first-year high school students, and individuals eligible for catch-up vaccination)

Conditions: Those who want to receive the vaccination must have finished at least one dose between April 1, 2022 and March 31, 2025

Vaccination period: April 1, 2025-March 31, 2026

***Please consider starting the vaccination within this fiscal year.**

• Unvaccinated eligible individuals can receive the first dose by the end of March, and if they do so, they will be able to receive the second and subsequent doses for free for a certain period after April.

*Further details will be posted on the City Website when decided.

Inquiries: Kenko-Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section)

Tel. 0742-34-5129

Garbage Collection

When you dispose of sharp items, make sure you take the right safety measures.

When you throw away broken glass, plastic, pottery shards, knives, etc. (unburnable garbage), or skewers, disposable chopsticks, etc. (burnable garbage), wrap them in newspaper or cloth and write what is inside.

If you do not follow these safety measures, we cannot collect those items, because it could hurt collectors.

Collection Dates & Areas in February

Area	Burnable	Unburnable
A, F	Every Mon. & Thurs.	Feb. 5 (Wed) & 19 (Wed.)
B, E		
C, H	Every Tues. & Fri.	Feb. 12 (Wed.) & 26 (Wed.)
D, G		

* February 11, 24(Holiday) will be scheduled according to the garbage collection calendar.

Areas A, B, C, D are covered by Nara City, and Areas E, F, G, H are covered by City Seibi-Kosha & Co. Ltd. or Takeda-Kankyo & Yamato-Seiso J.V.

The collection days will differ from the above schedule in some areas, so please check the Nara City website.

Inquiries: Shushu-Ka (Collection Section) Tel. 0742-71-3012

City Seibi-Kosha & Co. Ltd. Tel. 0742-33-8782

Takeda-Kankyo & Yamato-Seiso J.V. Tel. 0742-63-2552

Effective February 3 (Mon.), The Counter and Phone Reception Hours Will Be Updated As Bellow

Current

Until Jan. 31 (Fri.)

From 8:30 till 17:15

New Hours

Starting Feb. 3 (Mon.)

From 9:00 till 17:00

Relevant Facilities and Institutions :

• **City Hall, Hagukumi Center, Sub-branches, Administration Center, and Higashi Terabayashi Liaison Office, Nara City Enterprise Bureau, Fire Department** (counter services only at the fire station), etc.

* Telephone service hours at the City Call Center will also change to the above hours.

* Hours of operations at cultural and sports facilities, libraries, Kominkan (community centers) will not change.

* Opening hours on Sundays for the citizen service department and Seibu Shutcho-sho (West Liaison Office) will not change.

Inquiries: Sougo-Seisaku-Ka (General Policy Division)

Tel. 0742-34-4786

(Child Rearing)

Vaccination Notices

***Japanese encephalitis vaccinations will start.** (for those born in February 2022)

***Preliminary Examination Leaflets for Vaccinations were sent in late January.** (for those born in December 2024)

Inquiries: Kenko Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section)

Tel. 0742-34-5129

Medical Checkups for Babies and Children

Checkup Name (Eligibility)	Date	Place
4-month-old Babies Checkup (Born in November 2024)	From 4-month birthday until the day before turning 5 months old	Designated medical facilities in Nara City
10-month-old Babies Checkup (Born in May 2024)	From 10-month birthday until the day before turning 11 months old	
19-month-old Babies Checkup (Born in July 2023)	Feb. 27 (Thurs.), Mar. 6 (Thurs.), 13 (Thurs.)	Chuo Hoken Center (Central Health Center) (Hagukumi Center 2F)
3-1/2-year-old Babies Checkup (Born in August 2021)	Mar. 4 (Tues.), 11 (Tues.), 18 (Tues.)	

Things to bring: The questionnaire and *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*. The questionnaire will be sent in February. Those who moved to Nara City after February 1 and have not received the questionnaire by the checkup day should contact Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother and Child Health Section).

Inquiries: Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother and Child Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978

Maternal and Infant Health Care Consultation

<Hagukumi Center 3F>

Consultation by phone or face-to-face with public health nurses or midwives (appointment required)

Date & Time: 9:00-17:00 on weekdays (Until 16:00 with midwives)

Inquiries: Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother's and Child's Health Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978

<Tsuge Hoken Center>

Consultation by phone or face-to-face with public health nurses or nutritionists

Date & Time: 9:00-17:00 on weekdays

Traveling consultation with public health nurses

Date & Time	Place
Feb. 25 (Tues.) 10:00-11:30	Koto Kominkan (Oyagyū-cho)
Mar. 7 (Fri.) 10:00-12:00	Tsukigase Fukusi Center (Tsukigase Oyama)
Mar. 12 (Wed.) 10:00-11:30	Tawara Kominkan (Myoga-cho)

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*

Inquiries: Tsuge Hoken Center Tel. 0743-82-0341

<Tsukigase Health Consultation Room>

Consultation by phone or face-to-face with public health nurses (appointment required)

Data & Time: 9:45-16:00 on weekdays

Inquiries: Tsukigase Health Consultation Room Tel. 0743-92-0480

Workshops for Pregnant Women, Parents & Babies and Dental Checkups

Ha-Pika Class for One-year-old Babies (Tooth Decay Prevention Class)

Date & Time: Feb. 18 (Tues.) 10:00-11:00

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Capacity: 24 pairs of a first-born child born in February 2024* and their guardian

* Children born between November 2023 and January 2024 and their guardian may also participate

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook* and the currently used toothbrush or some gauze for wiping the baby's mouth

Deadline for application: Feb. 13 (Thurs.)

Paku-Paku Class for Five-month-old Babies (Baby Food Class)

Date & Time: Feb. 19 (Wed.) 10:00-11:15

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Capacity: 32 pairs of a first-born child born in September 2024 and their guardian

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook* and the baby food leaflet included in the
checkup questionnaire for four-month-old babies

Deadline for application: Feb. 14 (Fri.)

Fluoride Coating for Tooth Decay Prevention for Children Born in February 2023

Date & Time: Feb. 21 (Fri.) 9:30, 10:00, 10:30, 11:00 (30 minutes each)

Place: Central Health Center

Capacity: 25 babies each time

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*, a toothbrush which is not worn out, and towels

Deadline for application: Feb. 18 (Tues.)

Maternity "Happy" Check (Dental Checkup for Pregnant Women)

Date & Time: Feb. 27 (Thurs.) 9:30-11:30

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Capacity: 28 pregnant women between 16 and 32 weeks of gestation on the day

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook* and a towel

Deadline for application: Feb. 20 (Thurs.)

Papa & Mama Salon

Date & Time: March 7 (Fri.) 9:30-12:00

Place: Hagukumi Center 2F

Capacity: 16 pairs of a first-time pregnant woman between 22 and 32 weeks of gestation on the day
and her partner (Pregnant women can participate by themselves)

Things to bring: *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*

Deadline for application: Feb. 28 (Fri.)

Application Call Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother & Child Health Section) by each deadline.
Tel. 0742-34-1978

Hello, Visiting Babies (under four months old)

For those who are worried about rearing babies

(A midwife or a public health nurse will visit your home)

Those eligible: Those who want to consult about breast-feeding or those whose baby's birth weight was
under 2,500g

Application: Apply to Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother and Child Health Section) by phone (tel. 0742-34-1978).

You can also send a dedicated application form or the green postcard which was delivered with
Mother's and Child's Health Handbook.

For those who have no particular worries

(A city-commissioned counselor will call you and visit your home)

Inquiries: Kosodate-Sodan-Ka (Child Consultation Section) Tel. 0742-34-4804

Cancer Examinations (March)

Please apply to Kenko-Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section) by phone or on the Nara City website.
Free of charge for those who are on social welfare or belong to households receiving residential tax exemption.
Please notify us of such when you apply.

Application Period: February 3 (Mon.) - 20 (Thurs.)

* Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays are excluded.

Stomach and Lung Cancer Examinations

Date	Reception Time	Place	Capacity
March 6 (Thurs.)	9:15-10:15	Kita-Fukushi Center	26
March 7 (Fri.)	9:15-10:15	Seibu Shogai Sports Center Club House	27
March 10 (Mon.)	9:15-10:15	Co-op Oshikuma	27
March 12 (Wed.)	9:45-10:15	Seibu Toshokan (Library)	10 each
	10:15-10:45		
March 13 (Thurs.)	9:15-10:15	Tomio-Minami Kominkan	27
March 17 (Mon.) March 19 (Wed.) March 24 (Mon.)	9:00-10:00	Hagukumi Center	30 each
March 18 (Tue.)	9:30-10:30	Tomigaoka Kominkan	26
March 21 (Fri.)	9:30-10:30	Tobu Shutchosho	24
March 25 (Tue.)	9:15-10:15	Nanbu Kominkan	27
March 26 (Wed.)	9:15-10:15	Tomio Kominkan	27

Lung Cancer Examination

Date	Reception Time	Place	Capacity
March 10 (Mon.)	14:00-15:00	Hagukumi Center	60

Stomach Cancer Examination: X-Ray (involving drinking barium on that day)

Lung Cancer Examination: Chest-X-Ray (including tuberculosis test)

Fee: 1,500 yen

(1,000 yen for stomach cancer examination only and 500 yen for lung cancer examination only)

600 yen as an additional fee for sputum test based on a general check-up for lung cancer

(Postage might need to be paid.)

Those eligible: A person over the age of 40 who is registered as a resident in Nara City on that day.

The following people are excluded; Pregnant women; those who had stomach, lung, or intestine surgery within the past 5 years or are in treatment; those who have barium sensitivity or had aspiration (lung cancer examination is possible); those who had an endoscope stomach cancer check by Nara City in this or the previous fiscal year (lung cancer examination is possible); and those who had a lung cancer low dose CT scan by Nara City in this fiscal year (stomach cancer examination is possible).

Others: For those who are breastfeeding, please notify us of such when you apply. The examination interval is once a year. There might be cases when you may not be able to take the examination depending on your health or questionnaire.

Inquiries: Kenko-Zoshin-Ka (Health Care Section) Tel. 0742-34-5129

For more information, please click here. ⇒



Minami Fukushi Center

45-1 Minami Nagai-cho 630-8443

Tel. 0742-62-3730 Fax. 0742-62-3780

Spring Concert

Date & Time: March 8 (Sat.) 13:30-14:30

Performer: Accord (Piano Trio)

Those eligible: People 60 years old and over, children under 5 years old and over and their family members

Kyobate Kodomo Matsuri Festival 2025

Date & Time: Feb. 23 (Holiday) 11:00-17:30

Place: Square in front of Kyobate Station, Seibi-chiiki Fureai Kaikan (Minami-Kyobate-cho)

Inquiries: Kanko Senryaku-Ka (Tourism Strategy Section)

Tel. 0742-34-4739

March 8 (Sat.) is International Women's Day

International Women's Day was established in 1975 with a view to abolish discrimination against women and raise their social status. In Italy, as a symbol to express gratitude, mimosa is given to mothers, wives, and friends. It will be a great opportunity to think as a woman about what you can do to be yourself.

Panels and Photos will be Displayed

Date: March 3 (Mon.) - March 7 (Fri.)

Place: Passageway on the first floor of Nara City Hall

Happy Woman Movie Showing

Movie Title: Story of My Life (Little Woman)

Date & Time: March 8 (Sat.) 13:30-15:45 (Doors open at 13:00)

Place: Large Lecture Room on the 9th Floor at Hagukumi Center

Capacity: 200 people

*Nursery service (for children from one year old to preschool) is available.

Application: Through the QR code on the right before Feb. 21 (Fri.). →

All the applicants will be notified of the results.

Inquiries: Danjo-Kyodo-Sankaku-Shitsu (Gender Equality Office) Tel. 0742-81-3100



Shiryo Hozon Kan (Historical Materials Preservation House)

111 Wakido-cho 630-8337

Tel. 0742-27-0169

(Closed on Mondays)

1 Special exhibition: Naramachi viewing at Ezuya

Date: From February 18 (Tues.) to March 30 (Sun.)

2 Special display: Almanac of seasonal holidays of Naramachi

Basho's poems and famous places in Yamato

Date: From February 23 (Holiday) to March 30 (Sun.)

3 Special exhibition of historical materials in the museum

Tsukigase Baikei Plum Blossom Viewing Materials

Date: From February 23 (Holiday) to March 30 (Sun.)

*Closed on Mondays (except holidays), February 25 (Tues.), March 21 (Fri.)

Hagukumi Valentine Concert

Date & Time: February 12 (Wed.) 12:20-12:50

Place: Hagukumi Center 1st Floor

Performer: String ensemble *E-Friends*

Inquiries: Hoken Center, Comprehensive Education Center Management Room Tel. 0742-34-2303

City Hall Fureai Concert

Date & Time: February 21 (Fri.) 12:20-12:50

Place: Entrance Hall of Nara City Hall

Performer: Enchante Saxophone Ensemble

Inquiries: Bunka Shinko-Ka (Culture Promotion Section)

Tel. 0742-34-4942

Irie Taikichi Memorial Nara City Museum of Photography

600-1 Takabatake-cho 630-8301 Tel. 0742-22-9811

Photo Exhibition “Nara City in 1970s”

Date: February 1(Sat.) - March 30 (Sun.)

Overseas Artist Award Photography Exhibition: AWARDS “Higashi-gawa”

Date: February 1(Sat.) - March 30 (Sun.)

Fee: 100 yen for elementary and junior high school student,
200 yen for senior high school and university student,
500 yen for adults

Free entry on every Saturdays

for elementary, junior & senior high school student, people aged 70 or older, challenged persons
(certificate required) and their caregivers

Closed on Mondays (except Holidays) and Feb.25(Tues.)

Nara City Museum of Art (on the 5th floor of Mi-Nara)

3-1 Nijo-Oji Minami 1-Chome 630-8012 Tel. 0742-30-1510, Fax. 0742-35-7160

Closed on Mondays

Exhibition “Hime-Kore” A time-travelling journey through contemporary art collections

Date & Time: March 8 (Sat.) – March 23(Sun.), 10:00- 17:30,

Contents: Exhibition of 80 Contemporary Art works, collected by Mr. Himemoto Takeshi

Closed: March 10 (Mon.),17 (Mon) and 21(Fri.)

Naramachi Center

38 Higashi-Terabayashi-cho 630-8362 Tel. 0742-27-1151

Photo Exhibition “ReBorn 60” ----- Let's enjoy life now

Date & Time: February 5 (Wed.) -February 16 (Sun.), 10:00- 17:00, Closed at 15:00 on the last day

Contents: Exhibition of Photos for celebrating 60th birthday-people and in their 60s

Exhibition of original drawings by picture book author, Ms. Saito Shinobu

Date& Time: 10:00- 17:00, February 27 (Thurs.) - March 9 (Sun.)

Closed at 16:00 on the last day, March 9 (Sun.)

Nara City Museum of Calligraphy in Honor of Kason Sugioka

3 Wakido-cho 630-8337 Tel. 0742-24-4111

Brush-Writing Experience Corner

Date & Time: Feb. 22 (Sat.) - Feb. 24 (Holiday) 9:00-17:00

Atsuhito Takagi was inspired - Kason's Calligraphy (tentative)

Date: March 1 (Sat.) - April 20 (Sun.)

Fee: General Admission 300 yen, Group (20 or more people) 240 yen

Free for children 16 years old and under, high school students, Nara City residents 70 years old and over
physically challenged persons (certificate required) and their caregivers

Tsukigase Baikei Plum Festival

Exhibition of works, Exhibition of Materials about Tsukigase Baikei Scenic Spot,

Photo Exhibition of Tsukigase Baikei, Panel Exhibition of *Nara Zarashi* (Hemp Cloth)

Date & Time: Feb. 9 (Sun.) - March 23 (Sun.) 9:00-16:00

Place: Tsukigase Plum Museum (Tsukigase Nagahiki)

Othews: During this period, Tsukigase Baikei Early Spring Marathon and Sencha Festival will also be held.

For more information, please refer to the Tsukigase Kanko Kyokai (Tourist Association) website.

Inquiries: Tsukigase Kanko Kyokai (Tourist Association)

Tel. 0743-92-0300

February cats -Exhibition of works by cat artists

Date & Time: Feb. 22 (Sat.) 12:00 -17:00, 23 (Holiday) 10:00-17:00, 24 (Holiday) 10:00-15:00

Place: Naramachi Monogatari-Kan (Nakanoshinya-cho)

Inquiries: Naramachi Monogatari-Kan Executive Committee

Tel. 090-1157-2969

Tsukigase Kominkan

2815 Tsukigase-Oyama 630-2302

Tel. & Fax 0743-92-034

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Photo Exhibition of Tsukigase	Photos of Tsukigase landscape and plum blossoms Feb. 8 (Sat.) - March 23 (Sun.) 9:00-17:00 *Excluding days closed. Free entry	Not necessary

Asuka Kominkan

984 Kidera-cho 630-8306

Tel. & Fax 0742-23-2804

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Asuka Open House	Various trial classes by voluntary groups March 6 (Thurs.) - March 16 (Sun.) (except March 10 (Mon.)) 9:00-20:45	Not necessary Free entry

Lifelong Learning Center

23 Surugamachi 630-8357

Tel. 0742-26-8811, Fax. 0742-26-8813

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Salon Concert: Woodwind Ensemble	Concert by Kurokuro-Kinchacha Quintet March 2 (Sun.) 14:00 - 15:00	Not necessary Free entry

Tomigaoka Kominkan

4162-81 Nakatomigaoka 3-chome 631-0003

Tel. & Fax 0742-43-7431

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Tomigaoka Open House	Various trial classes by voluntary groups Feb. 16 (Sun.) - Feb. 28 (Fri.) (except Feb. 17(Mon.), Feb. 24 (Holiday) & 25 (Tues.)) 9:00 - 21:00 A material fee may be required for some trial classes.	Not necessary Free entry
Spring Concert	Tone-chime (handbell) performance by kinkonkan Mar. 9 (Sun.) 10:30 - 11:30 Preschoolers should be accompanied by a guardian.	Not necessary Free entry

Nimyo Kominkan

3684 Gakuen Akamatsu-cho 631-0027

Tel. & Fax 0742-46-9113

Event Name	Date & Contents	Application
Nimyo Open House	Tai Chi, Kids Karate, 3B Exercise, etc. Feb. 25 (Tues.)- 28 (Fri.) 9:30-18:00 Application may be necessary depending on class.	By Feb. 14 (Fri.)
Reading Theater	Reading theater by a theatrical company, Konohazuku March 9 (Sun.) 13:30-15:00 For adults (Those who work or study in Nara City may attend.)	Not necessary Free entry

Education Center KIDS LEARNING FLOOR

Class Name	Date & Time	Application Due
Planetarium “<i>Nijiuro</i> and Seasonal Constellations-story about Canis Major” Capacity: 40 seats each time	Every Sat, Sun, & holiday in February (1) 10:30-10:50 (2) 13:30-14:00	Reception on the day
Story Telling “A bird, <i>Miji</i>”	February 15 (Sat.) 11:00-11:30	Not necessary
Craft Experiment Class “Stretched thread art, Let’s design on a cardboard with stretching thread.” Capacity: 18 children each time (elementary school first graders and over.)	February 16 (Sun.) (1) 10:00-11:00 (2) 13:30-14:30	Reception on the day
Movie Screening “Manga Nippon Old Stories, The Golden Ax and Frog’s Repays Kindness” Capacity: 200 seats	February 23 (Holiday) 13:00-13:30	Not necessary
“Petit-Petit Craft: Let’s make pretty bags with origami” Capacity: 12 children each time	February 24 (Holiday) (1) 10:00-10:20 (2) 11:00-11:20 (3) 14:10-14:30	Reception on the day
Night Planetarium “<i>Kimagure</i>, Planetarium, we will deliver the seasonal starry sky.” Capacity:40 seats (For elementary school upper grades to adults; adults without children can also apply.)	February 28 (Fri.) 18:30-19:10	
Science Experiment Class: Let’s fly Rocket-copters!” Capacity: 12 children, elementary school second grade and over Fee: 300 yen	March 1 (Sat.) 10:00-11:30	February 10 (Mon.)
Programming Class (Beginners); “First Time Programming, so let’s make an interesting aquarium!” Capacity: 12 children, 5 years old and over, each time	March 2 (Sun.) (1) 10:00-11:00 (2) 13:30-14:30	
Space Class “Let’s Fly Plastic Bottle Rockets” Capacity: 18 children, elementary school first grade and over. Things to bring: 3 plastic bottles, 500mL, straight -sided without indentation	March 8 (Sat.) 10:00-11:30	February 17 (Mon)
Robot Class (Middle and Senior Class) “Let’s move a robot with an ultrasonic sensor.” Capacity:12 children, elementary school 3 rd grade and over, each time	March 9 (Sun.) (1) 10:00-11:30 (2) 13:30-15:00	
Craft Experiment Class “Let’s make a smart ball and play with it” Capacity:15 children, 5 years old and over each time Fee: 300 yen	March 16 (Sun.) (1) 10:00-11:30 (2) 13:30-15:00	February 24 (Holiday)
Science Experiment Class: “Secrets of Polystyrene, shrinking plastic sheets and relief” Capacity:12 children, elementary school first grade and over, each time	March 20 (Holiday) (1) 10:30-11:30 (2) 14:00-15:00	March 3 (Mon.)
Science Experiment Class: “Let’s make a motor with enamel wire and magnets” Capacity: 18 children, elementary school second grade and over, each time	March 22 (Sat.) (1) 13:00-14:00 (2) 14:30-15:30	

Place: Hagukumi Center 9 F

Application: Apply online from the Nara City website. In case of excess application, a lottery will be held.

Others: Reception on the class will start 15 minutes before the starting time of each class and will be closed when the prescribed number of applications is reached. In addition to the above, other classes may also be held.

The planetarium can be used by group. (An application is needed.) Children must be

accompanied by guardians. For the latest information, please check the city website or contact us directly.

Apply here→



Inquiries: Kids Learning Floor (Education Support and Consultation Section) Tel. 0742-36-0401



Children's Nara CITY -the popular annual event-



March 8 (Sat.) 13:00 - 17:00 & March 9 (Sun.) 12:00 - 16:00

Children's Nara CITY is a small town for children created by students from elementary school to university. Children become citizens of the town and spend their time working, playing and shopping with the money they earn (pseudo currency). Let's spend a day in this dream town together!

Place: Seibu Kominkan (Gakuen-Minami 3-chome)

Capacity: 250 elementary school students each time

* Students who study in the city are also eligible. All the applicants will be notified of the results.

Fee: 500 yen

Application: Send a return postcard with your address, name with *kana*, age, grade, telephone number, and preferred date to the "Children's Participation Network Nara" office (Nara City Lifelong Learning Foundation, Suruga-machi 23, 630-8357) by Feb. 18 (Tues.). You can also apply from the website of "Children's Learning and Experience Navi". In case of excess application, a drawing will be held.

Inquiry: Children's Participation Network Nara Tel. 0742-26-5600

The 16th *Shiawase Kairo* (Happiness Corridor) *Nara Rurie Festival* - From February 8 (Sat.) to 14 (Fri.) -

Kasuga Taisha Shrine, Kofukuji Temple, Todaiji Temple, and Nara Park will be bathed with this supreme and sacred lapis lazuli blue color at night.

Let's enjoy a beautiful winter stroll through these corridors while experiencing the darkness and silence.

Light-up Time: 18:00-21:00

★ Opening Ceremony

Date & Time: Feb. 8 (Sat.) 17:30 - 18:00

Venue: In the garden of the Nara Kasugano International Forum Iraka

★ Light up Venue & Light Objects

Time: 18:00- 21:00

Venue: Kofukuji Temple (north approach),

Kasuga Taisha Shrine (front approach: from crossroad where deer pass to the second torii gate),
Todaiji Temple (Kagami-ike Pond), Nara National Museum, Ukigumo-enchi field

★ Tanabata / Star Festival Road

Time: 18:00- 21:00 (last admission: 20:45)

Venue: In the garden of Nara Kasugano International Forum

Price: 1,000 yen per person, 500 yen for (junior and high school students)

★ Nighttime Visiting with Lantern

Time: 18:00 – 20:00

Venue: Kasuga Taisha Shrine route, Todaiji Temple route, Kofukuji Temple route

Reception: Nara Kasugano International Forum Iraka

★ Special Nighttime Worship Admission

Time: From 17:00

Venue: Kasuga Taisha Shrine, Todaiji Temple, and Kofukuji Temple



*For details, please see the Nara Rurie website

★ **Rurie Market**

Sale of Shiawase (Happiness) cocoa

Venue: Nara Kasugano International Forum Iraka

* Cocoa sales will end when sold out.

★ **Rurie Bar**

Date: Feb. 8 (Sat.), 9 (Sun.), 11 (Holiday)

Venue: Kasugano International Forum Iraka, 2 F

Capacity: About 20 people each time (Complete replacement system every 30 minutes)

*Reservation only on the day, paid event

★ **Nara Park Birthday Event**

Date & Time: Feb. 14 (Fri.), 19:00 - 19:30

Itinerary: Nara Park Birthday Event - 19:00, Fireworks - 19:30

Venue: Kasugano enchi Field

*Cancelled in case of rain, no postponement

※ We ask for your cooperation in alleviating congestion during before and after light-up, and on weekends.

※ There are also paid events, so please see the Nara Rurie website for details.

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NARAD EAT FESTIVAL 2025

Gourmet Event in Collaboration with Four Cities

-Nara City, Tawaramoto Town, Asuka Village, and Yoshino Town-

NARAD EAT FESTIVAL 2025, a gourmet event using ingredients from each of these municipalities in Nara Prefecture will be held as a cooperative tourism event. Visitors can enjoy a special menu for a limited time only, using ingredients that each city, town, and village is proud of. Please come and try it!

Date & Time: Jan. 31 (Fri.) - March 31 (Mon.) 11:00-22:00 (11:00-23:00 on Saturdays)

Place: Cafe & Restaurant CAFE ETRANGER NARAD

(restaurant in "NARANICLE", Nara City Tourist Information Center at Kamisanjo-cho)

Inquiry: Kanko-Senryaku-Ka (Tourism Strategy Section)

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