# 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: The view of Japanese silvergrass on Wakakusayama hill against the sunset

## Nara City's Account Settlement Information and Fiscal Condition for FY2025
## The General Account for FY 2022 finished 3.36 billion yen in the black.

**Revenue** 166.71 billion yen
**Expenditure** 162.39 billion yen

The balance of the fiscal adjustment fund, which serves as the city's saving, reached a record high.
The amount of municipal bonds, which constitutes the city's debt, has decreased steadily. It has decreased by 89.6 billion yen from its peak.
We have made efforts to use our budget effectively while promoting the development of safe communities. The financial results then showed a surplus of 3.36 billion yen. Thus, the budget has closed with a surplus exceeding 3 billion yen for the past five years starting in 2021.

**For more detailed information about the city's account settlement:**
https://www.city.nara.lg.jp/site/zaisei/273628.html

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

## Nara City Art Project "*Kotohogu Nara* - Celebrating the Ancient Capital Nara" Is Finally About to Begin!

### Time Travel with *Kotohogu Nara* -Exploring Artworks and Encountering Time and Space-
### Exhibition of Works by Guest Artists

Works featuring Nara were created by modern-art artists. They will be exhibited at places where you will be able to feel various layers of history in Nara.

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| **Date & Time** | Nov. 7 (Sat.)-29(Sun.) 10:00-17:00 *For *Korai* Venue: Nov.14 (Sat.)-23 (holiday) |
| **Place & Artists** | *Mirai* (Future) Venue: Mr. Kenryou Gu Kitayama-juhachi-kenko (Kawakami-cho)<br>*Kinrai* (Modern) Venue: Mr. Toru Nakazaki Tsubai-ichiba (Tsubai-cho)<br>*Korai* (History) Venue: Ms. Kimsooja Kan-non-in at Todaiji Temple (Zohshi-cho) |

### *Machinaka Butai* (A Stage in the City) -Nara Performance Lab-

You will be able to see performances in the city plaza, not in a theater, for two days.
Come and enjoy a wide variety of performances and the chemistry they create.

| **Date & *Running Time** | Nov. 22 (Sun.) | Nov. 23 (Holiday) | *About 20 min. for each performance |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Performing Groups Name & Time** | Task Force | Lite, Theater Created by Youth | 1) 10:00 2) 13:00 3) 15:30 |
| | Tadatanin | Susie's Kamishibai (story telling with pictures) | 1) 10:30 2) 13:30 3) 16:00 |
| | Theater Project Nara | Pocarine Kiokusha | 1) 11:00 2) 14:00 3) 16:30 |
| **Place** | Gyoki Hiroba (square) in front of Kintetsu Nara Station | | |

**Inquiries:** Nara City Art Project Committee Office at Bunka Shinko Ka (Culture Promotion Section)
Tel. 0742-34-4942 E-mail: art@city.nara.lg.jp

## Garbage Collection

### About Collection of Garden Waste

Please put it out at the same site as your regular burnable waste.
Frequently asked questions are answered on the Nara City website, which is updated regularly.

### Collection Dates & Areas in November

| Area | Burnable | Unburnable | Garden Waste |
|---|---|---|---|
| A, F | Mon. & Thurs. | Nov. 25 (Wed.) | Nov. 11 (Wed.) |
| B, E | | | |
| C, H | Tues. & Fri. | Nov.18 (Wed.) | Nov.4 (Wed.) |
| D, G | | | |

* Garbage collection is scheduled as usual on November 3 and 23 (Holidays).
* Areas A, B, C and D are covered by Nara City, and areas E, F, G and H are covered by City Seibi Kosha or Takeda-Kankyo & Yamato-Seiso Kyodo-Kigyotai (Joint Venture).

**Inquiries:** Shushu-Ka (Garbage Collection Section) Tel. 0742-71-3012
City Seibi Kosha Tel. 0742-33-8782
Takeda-Kankyo & Yamato-Seiso Kyodo-Kigyotai (JV) Tel. 0742-63-2552

## November (Mating Season) is Deer Protection Promotion Month in Nara City

1. Please do not hit or chase deer. Be careful as they may attack you.
   Especially beware of male deer. They are easily aggressive as November is mating season.
   Do not approach male deer unnecessarily!
2. Please do not give any food other than "shika-senbei" (deer crackers).
   Do not tease the deer with the crackers, give them quickly and be sure to take your trash home with you.

**Inquiries**: Kanko-Senryaku-Ka (Tourism Strategy Section) Tel. 0742-34-5135

## November 25-December 1 is Sexual Health Week, and December 1 is World AIDS Day.

### Evening Infection (HIV, Syphilis, Hepatitis) Testing (no reservation)

**Date & Time:** Dec. 2 (Wed.) 17:30-19:00
**Explanation of result:** Dec. 9 (Wed.) 17:30-19:00
**Place:** Hagukumi center 4F
**Capacity:** 8 people who can come on both days.

### Panel Exhibition, etc.

**Date & Time:** Nov. 24 (Tues.)-Dec. 4 (Fri.)
**Place:** Nara City Hall 1F, Hagukumi Center 1F

**Inquiries:** Hoken-Yobo-Ka (Health Protection Section) Tel. 0742-93-8397

## Watch Out for Infectious Gastroenteritis (Norovirus, etc.) from November to March

### Prevention in daily life

Wash your hands in an appropriate way before cooking and eating meals, and also after using the toilet.
Don't share towels or handkerchiefs.
Bivalves such as oysters should be heated sufficiently, and after bleaching the cooking used.

### Proper treatment of vomit and excrement

1) Ventilation 2 ) Wear rubber gloves, a mask, and an apron. 3) Wipe with a paper towel soaked in 0.1% chlorine. 4) Wipe with a damp cloth, seal the used items, and discard them. 5) Wash your hands with soap and running water.

**Inquiries:** Regarding infection: Hoken Yobo-Ka (Health Protection Section) Tel. 0742-93-8397
Regarding food poisoning: Hoken Eisei-Ka (Health Sanitation Section) Tel. 0742-93-8395

## November 14 is World Diabetes Day

The early stage of diabetes has few subjective symptoms. So you should get a checkup and check your blood glucose level before symptoms develop.

### Blue Illumination at JR Nara Old Station Building (Nara City Tourist Information Center)

**Date & Time**: Nov. 10 (Tues.)-15 (Sun.) sunset- 21:00

### Panel Exhibitions

**Date & Time:** 1) Nov. 9 (Mon.) - 13 (Fri.) Nara City 1F Hall
2) Nov. 9 (Mon.) - 20 (Fri.) Hagukumi Center 1F

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

## November is Cervical Cancer Prevention Month

Please take the cervical cancer screening provided by Nara City by the end of next February.
You will need the health screening passport that was mailed at the end of June.

**Panel Exhibition**

**Date:** Nov. 2 (Mon.)- 6 (Fri.)
**Place:** Nara City Hall 1F

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

## Vaccination notices

* Japanese encephalitis vaccinations to start (for those born in Nov. 2023)
* Preliminary examination leaflets will be sent inn late October (for those born in Sept. 2026)

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

## Cancer Examinations (December)

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 and households receiving support benefits for Japanese left behind in China.
Please notify us of such when you apply.

**Application Period: November 2 (Mon.) -20 (Fri.) 9:00-17:00**

(Saturdays, Sundays and holidays are excluded)

**Stomach and Lung Cancer Examination**

| Date | Reception Times | Place | Capacity |
|---|---|---|---|
| Dec. 7 (Mon.)<br>Dec.14 (Mon)<br>Dec. 23 (Wed.) | 9:00-10:00 | Hagukumi Center | 30 each |
| Dec. 8 (Tues.) | 9:15-10:15 | Tomio Kominkan | 27 |
| Dec. 9 (Wed) | 9:15-10:15 | Kita Fukushi Center | 26 |
| Dec.11 (Fri.) | 9:15-10:15 | Co-op Oshikuma | 27 |
| Dec.15 (Tues.) | 9:30-10:30 | Tomigaoka Kominkan | 26 |
| Dec.16 (Wed.) | 9:15-10:15 | Heijyo Kominkan | 27 |
| Dec.17 (Thurs.) | 9:45-10-45 | Seibu Library | 20 |
| Dec. 21 (Mon.) | 9:15-10:151 | Seibu Shogai Sports Center Club House | 27 |

**Lung Cancer Examination**

| Date | Reception Time | Place | Capacity |
|---|---|---|---|
| Date.10 (Thurs) | 14:00-14:30 | Seibu Tosho-kan (Seibu library) | 20 each |
| | 14:30-15:00 | | |
| Dec. 22 (Tues) | 14:00-15:00 | Hagukumi Center | 60 |

**Stomach Cancer Examonation**: Stomach X-Ray (involving drinking barium on that day)
**Lung Cancer Examination**: Chest X-Ray (including tuberculosis test)
**Fee**: 1500 yen (1,000 yen for stomach cancer examination only and 500 yen for lung cancer examination only)
* From FY 2026, sputum testing is not included in lung cancer examinations because the national Guidelines were revised.

**Those eligible**: A person over the age of 40 who is registered as a resident of Nara City on that day.
The following people are excluded: pregnant women: those who had stomach, lung, or intestine surgery within the past year 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 details: https://www.city.nara.lg.jp/soshiki/94/10734.html (All information is in Japanese)

## Workshop for Pregnant Women & Babies and Dental Checkup

(Phone reservation needed)

**Ha-Pika Class for One-year-old Babies**
**(Tooth decay prevention class for first children born in November 2025)**
**Date:** Nov. 17 (Tues.)

**Paku-Paku Class for Five-month-old Babies (Baby food class for first children born in June 2026)**
**Date:** Nov. 18 (Wed.)

**Fluoride Coating for Tooth Decay Prevention (for children born in November 2024)**
**Date:** Nov. 20 (Fri.)

**Maternity "Happy" Check**
**(Dental checkup for pregnant women between 16 weeks and 32 weeks of gestation on the day)**
**Date:** Nov. 26 (Thurs.)

**Papa & Mama Salon (for women in their first pregnancy between 22 and 32 weeks of gestation on the day and their partners)**
**Date:** Dec. 11 (Fri.)

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

## Maternal and Infant Health Care Consultation

**Hagukumi Center 3F**
**Consultations by phone (anytime) or face to face (appointment required)**
**Inquiries:** Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother & Child Health Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978
For details --- https://www.city.nara.lg.jp/soshiki/95/243999.html

**Tsuge Hoken Center**
**Consultations by phone or face to face (with public health nurses or nutritionists)**
**Date & Time:** 9:00-17:00 on weekdays
**Traveling consultations (with public health nurses)**
**Date & Time:** Nov. 27 (Fri.) 10:00-11:30
**Place:** Tukigase Fukushi Center (Tukigase Oyama)
**Things to bring:** *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*
**Inquiries:** Tsuge Hoken Center Tel. 0743-82-0341

**Tsukigase Health Consultation Room**
**Consultations by phone or face to face (Appointments required for public health nurses)**
**Date & Time:** 9:45-16:00 on weekdays
**Inquiries:** Tsukigase Health Consultation Room Tel. 0743-92-0480

## Medical Checkups for Babies & Children

| Checkup Name (Eligibility) | Date | Place |
|---|---|---|
| 4-month-old Babies Checkup (born in August 2026) | 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 February 2026) | From 10-month birthday until the day before turning 11 months old | |
| 19-month-old Babies Checkup (born in April 2025) | Dec. 3, 10, 17 (Thurs.) | Chuo Hoken Center (Central Health Center) |
| 3-1/2-year-old Babies Checkup (born in May 2023) | Dec. 1, 8, 15 (Tues.) | |

**Things to bring:** The questionnaire and *Mother's and Child's Health Handbook*
* The questionnaire will be sent in November. People who moved to Nara City after November 1 and have not received it by the checkup day should contact Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother & Child Health Section).
**Inquiries:** Boshi-Hoken-Ka (Mother & Child Health Section) Tel. 0742-34-1978

## Kita-Fukushi Center

1-4 Ukyo 1-chome 631-0805 Tel. 0742-71-3501 /Fax 0742-71-3548

**The 2nd Hobby, Club, and Circle Concert**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 28 (Sat.) 13:30-15:00

**Performers**: Guitar Club, Adult Ocarina Class and Fuefuki (Japanese Flute Ensemble)

**Those eligible**: 60 years old and over, and their family members

## Harpist Ototokotonoha Concert
## 1. Ryūnosuke Akutagawa 2. Classical Pieces

**Date & Time**: (1) Nov. 27 (Fri.) 14:00-15:00 (2) Dec. 11 (Fri.) 10:30-11:30

**Place**: Conference Room, 4th Floor, Central Library (Higashiterabayashi-cho)

**Inquiries**: Central Library Tel. 0742-26-6101

## Naramachi *Koshi-no Ie* (Lattice house)

44 Gangoji-cho 630-8332 Tel. 0742-23-4820

**Let's play with Origami (paper folding)!**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 21 (Sat.) 13:00-15:00

**Inquiries**: Naramachi Nigiwai-no-Ie Tel. 0742-20-1917

## 31th Volunteer Festival in Nara

**- Let's expand the circle of volunteers! Join hands and help each other! –**

**It's an annual festival that shares the appeal of volunteer activities and values the connections between volunteers. Please come and join us!**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 21 (Sat.) 10:00-14:00

**Place**: Volunteer Center (Horen-cho)

**Contents**: Charity bazaar, stalls, cafe corner, massage experience, booth events, and more

* A portion of the proceeds will be donated

**Inquiries**: Volunteer Center (Tel. 0742-26-2270)

## Shiryo-Hozon-kan (Historical Materials) Museum

1-1 Wakido-cho 630-8337 Tel. 0742-27-0169

* Closed on Mondays except holidays, Nov. 24 (Tues.) and, from December 28 (Mon.) to January 4 (Mon.)

**Special Exhibition "Naramachi literary calendar, On-Matsuri Festival of Kasuga Wakamiya Shrine"**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 10 (Tues.)-Dec. 20 (Sun.)

**Special Exhibition from the Museum Collections "Nara Map of Scenic Places"**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 10 (Tues.)-Jan. 24 (Sun.), 2027

**Traveling Exhibit - Time Travel Naramachi**

**Okage-mairi in Naramachi**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 28 (Sat.) 14:00-16:00

**Place**: Naramachi Nigiwai-no-Ie (Nakanoshinya-cho)



## General Welfare Center

3-1 Sakyo 5-chome Tel. 0742-71-0770 Fax 0742-71-0773

**Art Exhibition of Disabled People and Children**

**- Photos, paintings, calligraphy, crafts -**

**Date & Time:** Nov. 14 (Sat.)-22 (Sun.) 9:30-16:00 (The last day ends at 13:00.)

* Closed on Nov. 16 (Mon.), 17 (Tues.)

## Hokubu Kaikan Shimin Bunka (Citizen Cultural) Hall

114 Ukyo 1-chome 631-0805 Tel. 0742-71-5747

**Takanohara Cultural Association Festival**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 22 (Sun.) 10:00-17:00

Nov. 23 (Holiday) 10:00-16:00

Performances on the stage will begin at 13:00 on both days.

**Contents**: Works exhibitions and performance on the stage

## Sugioka Kason Calligraphy Museum

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

**Free Admission on Kansai Culture Day**

**Date & Time**: November 14 (Sat), 15 (Sun.) 9:00-17:00

**Calligraphy Experience Corner**

**Date & Time**: November 21 (Sat.)-23 (Holiday) 9:00-17:00

**Mini Kason Award Calligraphy Contest Exhibition**

**Date & Time**: December 9 (Wed.)-20 (Sun.) 10:00-17:00 * Until 16:00 on the last day

**Place**: Naramachi Center Gallery (Higashi-Terabayashi-cho)

## Naramachi Center

38 Higashi-Terabayashi-cho, 630-8362 Tel. 0742-27-1151 * Closed on Mondays

**Entrance Hand Bell Concert**

**Date & Time**: December 4 (Fri.) 11:00,14:00

**Space Department Exhibition**

**Date & Time**: November 11 (Wed.)-23 (Holiday) 10:30-16:30 * Until 15:00 on the last day

**Manabu Nakagawa "*Daibutsu-sama*" Series: Original Illustrations & Art Exhibition**

**Date & Time**: November 26 (Thurs.) – December 6 (Sun.) 10:30-16:30 * Until 15:00 on the last day

**Children's On-Matsuri Festival**

**Date & Time**: December 6 (Sun.) 11:00-15:00

**Contents**: Lecture, Japanese Drum Performance, Quiz Rally, etc.

## Onjo-kan

32-1 Narukawa-cho 630-8335 Tel. 0742-27-7700

**The Tale of Four Seasons and Songs vol.18**

**Date & Time**: November 29 (Sun.) 14:00-15:00

## Hokubu Kaikan Shimin Bunka (Citizen Cultural) Hall

114 Ukyo 1-chome 631-0805 Tel. 0742-71-5747

**Takanohara Cultural Association Festival**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 22 (Sun.) 10:00-17:00

Nov. 23 (Holiday) 10:00-16:00

Performances on the stage will begin at 13:00 on both days.

**Contents**: Works exhibitions and performance on the stage

## Nara City Museum of Art

Minara 5F, 1-3-1 Nijo-Oji-Minami 630-8012 (Closed on Mondays)

Tel. 0742-30-1510/ Fax 0742-35-7160

**The Citizens' Practical Skills Lecture Exhibition**

**Date & Time**: Dec. 8 (Tues.) - Dec. 13 (Sun.) 10:00-17:30 (Admission until 17:00)
Opens at noon on the first day; ends at 15:00 on the last day

## Former Residence of Irie Taikichi

49-2 Suimon-cho 630-8208 Tel./Fax 0742-27-1689

**Free entry on Kansai Culture Day**

**Date & Time**: Nov. 14 (Sat.) & 15 (Sun.) 9:30-17:00 (Admission until 16:30)

## Gyoki-san Grand Thanksgiving Day 2026

**Date & Time:** Nov. 15 (Sun.) 11:00

**Place:** Tobihino Field in Kasuga Taisha Shrine (Kasugano-cho)

**Inquiries**: Oda-san of the Executive Committee Tel. 080-8807-7833

## Japanese Traditional Culture Experience Festival "Sharing the charm of Nara with the world"

**Date & Time:** Nov. 15 (Sun.) 10:00-16:00

**Place:** Plaza in front of east exit of Nara Station (Sanjo-honmachi)

**Inquiries:** Nara-Kyoto Travel Guide Lian (Lotus World Tour & Experience) Tel. 090-9213-9329

## 42nd Annual Concert Nara Freude Choir

**Date & Time:** Nov. 15 (Sun.) 13:30

**Place:** Kashihara Cultural Hall (Kashihara City)

**Capacity:** 1300 people

**Inquiries:** Nozawa-san, Nara Freude Choir Tel. 0742-26-1415

## 2nd "*Saikai* Market"

**Flea market, bazaar, workshops, food trucks, and more**

**Date & Time:** Nov. 21 (Sat.) 10:00-15:00

* Held rain or shine (canceled in severe weather)

**Place:** Youth Outdoor Activity Center (Sakahara-cho)

* For details, visit the center's website

**Inquiries:** Youth Outdoor Activity Center Tel.0742-93-0029

## Christmas Sing-Along Festival 2026

**Date & Time:** Dec. 9 (Wed.) 14:00-16:00 (Doors open: 13:30)

**Place:** Nara Gakuenmae Hall (Gakuen-minami 3-chome)

**Capacity:** 300 people

**Reservations:** Contact Shimada-san, Clover Sing-Along Circle by phone Tel.090-6754-0268

## Let's Overcome Being Nervous When Speaking English in Public!

**Date & Time**: Second Sunday of every month 14:00-16:30
**Place**: Seibu Kominkan (Gakuenmae-Minami 3-chome)
* Online participation available
**Fee**: Necessary
**Inquiries**: Nara Toastmasters Club (email: naratmc2011@gmail.com)

**Lifelong Learning Center** 23 Surugamachi 630-8357 Tel. 0742-26-8811 Fax 0742-26-8813

| Event Name | Date & Contents | Application |
|---|---|---|
| **27th *Fureai* Works Exhibition** | Exhibition of arts, pottery, photos, etc. presented by the voluntary group<br>Nov. 10 (Tues.) - 15 (Sun.), Nov. 17 (Tues.) - 22 (Sun)<br>9:00-17:00 (From 13:00 on the first day and till 15:00 on the last day)<br>* Free entry | Unnecessary |
| **Salon Concert (free entry)** | Sumo *jinku* (Sumo-themed songs) for the "November Tournament"<br>Listen to various topics about Sumo and Sumo *jinku* by Narayama Sumo Jinku-Kai<br>Nov. 15 (Sun.) 14:00-15:00 | |
| | We are the Voices<br>Enjoy listening to a serious performance of mixed chorus group "corocoro".<br>Nov. 21 (Sat.) 14:00-14:45 | |
| | Melody by Legate Members<br>Songs and violin and piano performances by Legate members<br>Nov. 26 (Thurs.) 14:00-15:00 | |

**Notice to Lifelong Learning Center Gallery Exhibition**

**Wooden Carved Birds - Bird carving**
Exhibition of art works, photos, paintings, etc., by A2 Craft *Kenkyu-sho* (Laboratory)
**Date & Time**: Nov. 25 (Wed.) - 29 (Sun.) 9:00-17:00
(From 13:00 on the first day and till 15:00 on the last day)

**Seibu Kominkan** 1-5, Gakuen-Minami-3-chome 631-0034 Tel. 0742-44-0101 Fax 0742-44-0103

| Event Name | Date & Contents | Application |
|---|---|---|
| **Culture Festival 2026** | Nov. 13 (Fri.)- Nov. 15 (Sun.): Art exhibitions and Seibu community market<br>Nov. 13 (Fri.), 14 (Sat.): Experiences and performances<br>Nov. 15 (Sun.): Performances, etc.<br>10:00-17:00 (until 16:00 on the last day) Entrance is free. | Unnecessary |
| **Volunteer Group Activity Experiences and Exchanges** (Entrance is free.) | ***Bonseki* Experience (artistic arrangement of stones on a tray)**<br>Nov. 18 (Wed.) 9:30-11:30<br>Adults (Those who work and study in the city may also participate.) | |
| | **Hula Dance Experience**<br>Nov. 19 (Thurs.) 10:30-11:15<br>* Adults (Those who work and study in the city may also participate.) | |
| | **Table Tennis Experience for Juniors**<br>Nov. 28 (Sat.) 17:30-19:30<br>* Elementary school and junior high school students (Those studying in the city may also participate.) | |

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| | **Badminton Experience, Exchange, and Tournament**<br>Dec. 1 (Tues.) 9:00-17:00 (The reception for the experience is open until 9:30.)<br>* Adult women (Those who work and study in the city may also participate.) | |
| **Seibu Iki-iki Christmas Gathering** | A magic show by magicians and a game-based social exchange<br>Dec. 6 (Sun.) 10:00-11:00 * Fee: 100 yen.<br>Free for elementary school students (Those studying in the city and accompanying guardians are exempt from the fee.) | |

**Tomio Kominkan** 9, 2-chome Torimi-cho 631-0065 Tel. & Fax. 0742-43-5386

| Event Name | Date & Contents | Application |
|---|---|---|
| **Tomio Kominkan Festival** | Concerts, commemorative lectures, exhibitions, food stalls, hands-on activities, etc.<br>Nov. 28 (Sat.) 10:00-16:00, Nov. 29 (Sun.) 10:00-15:00<br>Entrance is free. | Unnecessary |

**Heijo Kominkan** 1468 Akishino-cho 631-0811 Tel. & Fax. 0742-48-3578

| Event Name | Date & Contents | Application |
|---|---|---|
| **Heijo Kominkan Festival** | Concert by the Heijo Junior High School brass band, Rakugo (comic storytelling) performance, art exhibitions, etc. Dec. 5 (Sat.) 10:00-16:00, Dec.6 (Sun.) 10:00-15:00<br>Entrance is free. | Unnecessary |

**Mikasa Kominkan** 313-3 Omiya-cho 4-chome 630-8115 Tel. & Fax. 0742-33-0515

| Event Name | Date & Contents | Application |
|---|---|---|
| **Mikasa Kominkan Festival** | Nov. 14 (Sat.) 10:00-15:00, Nov. 15 (Sun.) 10:00-14:00<br>Art exhibitions, performances, food stalls, etc.<br>Entrance is free. | Unnecessary |

**Wakakusa Kominkan** 575 Kawakami-cho 630-8202 Tel. & Fax 0742-26-0130

| Event Name | Date & Contents | Application |
|---|---|---|
| **Wakakusa Kominkan Cultural Festival**<br>Entrance is free | Performance by the Wakakusa Junior High School brass band, presentations and exhibitions, etc.<br>Nov. 28 (Sat.) 12:00-16:00, 29 (Sun.) 10:00 | Unnecessary |



## Education Center KIDS LEARNING FLOOR

| Class Name | Date & Time | | Deadline |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Kids Planetarium: "The Story of Andromeda"**<br>**Capacity**: 40 seats each time | Every Saturday, Sunday, and holiday in November. (except for Nov. 7 and 8) | 1) 10:30-10:50<br>2) 13:30-14:00 | Reception on the day |
| **Storytelling Session: "The Prince with Donkey Ears", etc.** | Nov. 14 (Sat.) | 11:00-11:30 | |
| **Night Planetarium "*Kimagure* Planetarium: We will deliver the seasonal starry sky"**<br>**Capacity:** 40 seats.<br>* Content is for upper graders in elementary school and over. Adults can participate without children. | Nov. 27 (Fri.) | 18:30-19:10 | |
| **Storytelling Session: "*Tsuide ni Perori*", etc.** | Dec. 5 (Sat.) | 11:00-11:30 | |
| **Craft Experience Class: "Let's play with Dr. Acorn."**<br>**Capacity:** 15 children over 5 years old, each time.<br>**Fee:** 300 yen | Dec. 6 (Sun.) | 1) 10:00-12:00<br>2) 13:30-15:30 | Nov. 16 (Mon.) |
| **Movie Screening "Manga Japanese Folktales: The Demon of Rashomon Gate/The New Year's Eve Fire"**<br>**Capacity:** 190 seats | Dec. 6 (Sun.) | 13:00-13:30 | Unnecessary |
| **Programming Class (for beginners) "First Scratch program: -Let's create a balloon game! - "**<br>**Capacity:** 12 elementary school 1st graders and over each time | Dec. 13 (Sun.) | 1) 10:30-11:30<br>2) 13:30-14:30 | Nov. 23 (Mon.) |

**Place**: Hagukumi Center 9F

**Application**: Apply online from the Nara City website. In case of excess application, a lottery will be held.
Nara City website in Japanese: https://www.city.nara.lg.jp/site/kids-manabi/10783.html

**Others**: Children must be accompanied by guardians. Reception on the day of 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. No entry to the planetarium after the show starts. The planetarium can be used by groups. (An application is needed.) For the latest information, please check the city website or contact us directly.

**Inquiries**: KIDS Leaning Floor (Education Support and Consultation Section Tel. 0742-36-0401)

## Introducing the Bonds Between Nara and Australia

### 50th Anniversary of the Japan-Australia Basic Treaty of Friendship & Cooperation (the NARA Treaty)

In 1976, the Japan-Australia Basic Treaty of Friendship and Cooperation (the NARA Treaty) was signed, inspired by a deep impression of Nara. It was established to overcome economic friction between the two nations, moving beyond a trade-only relationship to develop a broad cooperative partnership spanning politics, economy, and culture. In this 50th milestone year, the bond between Nara City and its sister city, Canberra, has taken a new step forward into a new era.

# FILM SCREENING

### 50th Anniversary Celebration

### Nara City-Canberra Sister City Exchange Project

## Screening of the Film "The Railroad of Love: Spanning Australia and Japan"

This film depicts the life of Father Tony Glynn, who helped guide post-war relations between Japan and Australia toward reconciliation and friendship. Please join us for this special screening to mark the 50th anniversary.

**Date & Time:** December 6 (Sun.) 14:00-16:00 (Open at 13:30)
**Place:** Saidaiji Koshoden Hall (Saidaiji Shibamachi 1-chome)
**Capacity:** 120 people
**Application:** Apply through the application form on the Nara City website. Registration will close as soon as capacity is reached. If seats are still available, you can join on the day without registering in advance.
**Inquiries:** Kanko Senryaku-ka (Tourism Strategy Division) Tel. 0742-34-4739

## 2nd Anniversary Fair of "Michi-no-Eki Crossway Nakamachi"

**November 21 (Sat.) - 30 (Mon.)**

At the farmers' and specialty goods market, freshly harvested local produce from Nara Prefecture will be sold. Restaurants and cafes will offer special menus using seasonal ingredients from the prefecture. Please be sure and stop by.

### Concurrent Event: "Nara City Week"

**Sister Cities Specialty Products Fair**
**Date & Time:** Nov. 21 (Sat.) & 22 (Sun.)

**Performance by Ichijo High School & Junior High School Wind Ensemble and Dance Club**
**Date & Time:** Nov. 22 (Sun.)

**Kensei-no-Sato, Yagyu fair**
**Date & Time:** Nov. 28 (Sat.) & 29 (Sun.)

**"Mottainai" Tableware Market**
**Date & Time:** Nov. 28 (Sat.) 9:00-13:00
* The event will be held rain or shine.
**Event Details:** Collection and distribution of unwanted tableware.
**Accepted items:** Ceramic and glass tableware previously used at home.
* Wooden and plastic tableware, lacquerware, earthenware pots, and ceramics other than tableware is not accepted. Other booths will also be available.
* Event details are subject to change.
For details about Nara City Week
→ https://michi-no-eki-crosswaynakamachi.pref.nara.jp/events/20261121

**Inquiries:** For the 2nd Anniversary Fair: Michi-no-Eki Crossway Nakamachi (0742-93-5440)
For the Sister Cities Specialty Products Fair: Tourism Strategy Division (0742-34-4739)
For the Tableware Market: Waste Management Division (0742-71-3001)