

EiGo Koriyama!

Monthly news and information about Koriyama City in English

EVENTS

Summer Festa in Koriyama

The annual 'Summer Festa in Koriyama - Beer Festival' is headed our way! Held from July the 24th to the 28th, it's the perfect opportunity to take a break from the hot summer days and enjoy a beer, local food and performances by a real German band! Come have 'ein Prosit!'

Date/Time: July 24th - 28th
(24-26th: 5pm - 9pm, 27-28th: 3pm - 9pm)

Venue: Kaiseizan Park

Tickets: ¥2,500 in pre-sale (¥3,000 at the door), available at the Chamber of Commerce, Koriyama City Tourism Division, Usui Dept. Store, Ito-Yokado, Mazasse Koriyama, Koriyama City Tourism Association, 7Eleven, Lawson & Mini-Stop.

WEB: www.ko-cci.or.jp/event/maturi/summer.html



Fukushima Taiko Festival 2019

Taiko (Japanese drums) is known as one of Japan's most iconic traditional musical arts. The powerful beats and dramatic rhythms are guaranteed to move you. During the 2019 Fukushima Taiko Festival, held on the 23rd of June taiko groups from all over the prefecture will assemble at the Koriyama YRACS Atami center to show off their skills and the results of their hours of practice. Come cheer them on and be blown away by energy and the sound of the taiko drums!

Date: 23rd of June, 2019 (from 10:00)

Venue: Koriyama YRACS (Yurakkusu) Atami

Tickets: ¥2,000 in presale (¥2,500 at the door), for sale at the Fukushima Minpo Head Office, Koriyama Office and all branch offices and newsagent shops.

WEB: www.city.koriyama.lg.jp/eventjoho/17860.html



EVENT CALENDAR

JUNE Event & Location

- 15-16 [2019 Hokkaido-Tohoku Para-Athletics Championships](#)
(Hirose Kaiseizan Athletics Stadium)
- 16 [Bandai-Atami Classic Car Festival](#)
(Bandai-Atami Tourism Association)
- 20 [The Brothers Four "Arigatou Japan Tour"](#)
(Koriyama City Kenshin Cultural Center)
- ~ 23 [Fujifilm Photo Collection Exhibit](#)
(Koriyama City Museum of Art)
- 23 [Fukushima Taiko Festival](#)
(Koriyama YRACS (Yurakkusu) Atami)
- 23 [Koriyama Citizens Orchestra: Bohemian Rhapsody](#)
(Koriyama City Kenshin Cultural Center)
- 23 [Koriyama Kanikapila 2019](#)
(Koriyama City Kenshin Cultural Center)
- 30 [Koriyama Women's Choir 55th Anniversary Concert](#)
(Koriyama City Kenshin Cultural Center)
- 30 [Fukuda Kohei](#)
(Koriyama City Kenshin Cultural Center)

JULY Event & Location

- 6-7 [Audio & Home Theater Grand Exhibit](#)
(Big Palette Fukushima)
- 11 [Keisuke Yamauchi - All-Japan Concert Tour 2019](#)
(Koriyama City Kenshin Cultural Center)
- 14 [International Movie: Rhapsody in Blue \(1945\)](#)
(Koriyama City Chuo Library)
- 20-24 [62th Fukushima Pref. Middle School Sports Festival](#)
(Kaiseizan Athletics Stadium, Koriyama Shinkin Pool, Sogo Gymnasium)
- 24-28 [Summer Festa in Koriyama - Beer Festival](#)
(Kaiseizan Park)
- 27 [Mizu-umi Matsuri \(Lake Festival\) 2019](#)
(Funatsu Beach, Konan)
- 27 [3rd 'Atami de Marché'](#)
(Koriyama YRACS (Yurakkusu) Atami)



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2019年夏巡業
大相撲郡山場所

4月27日(金)10:00~5月10日(金)

うすい百貨店(窓口)・FTVチケットセンター(インターネット)限定
市民先行発売!!

開催日 2019年 8月9日(金) 午前8時▶開場 午後3時▶打ち出し(終了) 場所 宝来屋郡山総合体育館

入場料(観客席)	料	金	席	名	座
優先席	14,000円	座席指定	優先席	10,000円	座席指定
クマリ席	12,000円	座席指定	クマリ席	8,000円	座席指定
スタンディング席	10,000円	座席指定	スタンディング席	5,000円	座席指定
一般席	20,000円	座席指定	一般席	1,000円	座席指定
席上(観客席)	10,000円	座席指定	席上(観客席)	5,000円	座席指定
席下(観客席)	1,000円	座席指定	席下(観客席)	500円	座席指定
立見席	2,000円	座席指定	立見席	2,000円	座席指定
観客席	2,000円	座席指定	観客席	2,000円	座席指定

●主催 大相撲郡山総行委員会
●協賛 (公財)日本相撲協会

Grand Sumo in Koriyama!

It's Japan's national sport: Sumo Wrestling. Want to see real sumo for yourself, without having to go all the way to Tokyo? You're in luck: they're coming for you instead! A number of Japan's most famous riki-shi (sumo wrestlers) will compete in Koriyama's Sogo Gymnasium. Seeing as these are considered to be real superstars, this is a rare opportunity, and tickets are sure to sell fast, so get yours early!

Date & Time: 9th of August (08:00 - 15:00)

Venue: Horaiya Koriyama Sogo Gymnasium

Ticket prices range between ¥5,000 and ¥20,000, available at the Usui Dept. Store, Super Sports Xebio (Nishinouchi), TicketPia (842-774), E+, 7tickets, Lawson Tickets (22236), and the FTV Ticket Center. For more info, visit: www.usui-dept.co.jp/play-guide/45908/

NEWS

Delegation from Essen (GER)

On the 15th and 16th of May, a delegation from the city of Essen in Germany visited Koriyama under the umbrella of the EU International Urban Cooperation-program, in which the two cities are partnered up. The link stems from broader collaboration between the German region of North-Rhine Westphalia and Fukushima Pref. in the fields of medical equipment development and renewable energy, wherein the two cities share various goals. Head of Watermanagement for the city of Essen, Mr.

Andreas Giga led the delegation. More exchange activities in the fields of science, development and economy are to be expected in the coming year as the two cities continue to deepen their ties of mutual exchange.



Visit by Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare

On the 20th of April, Minister of Health, Labour and Welfare (born and raised in Koriyama) Mr. **Takumi Nemoto** visited Koriyama City for a work visit. In Koriyama, he visited the city's Welfare Marugoto Consultation Center, among other places. His visit was focused on understanding the situation regarding efforts to promote regional co-existence, as well as support for 'hikikomori' (people retreating from social contact), a difficult problem in Japan. The consultation center's staff informed the minister about various challenges the city is facing in the field of social welfare, such as population aging, disabilities and poverty. It was a productive visit for the minister to deepen his understanding towards the day-to-day work of social workers.

Dutch Soccer Clinic 2019

On a bright and shiny Saturday morning (June 1st), more than a hundred elementary school kids hit the field of the Seibu 2nd Football Field for a very special event: a Dutch Soccer Clinic. For the 3rd year in a row, professional player Sai van Wermeskerken gave a class on Dutch training techniques, organized by Koriyama City as a Host Town for the Netherlands towards the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Van Wermeskerken grew up in Japan, but was born in the Netherlands where he currently resides again, playing as a right wing-back for the club SC Cambuur. He made a great impression this season, resulting in him being chosen for the league's Team of the Year!



The Netherlands is known for producing a lot of young soccer talent, so the kids were eager to learn the training techniques that are currently being used in the Netherlands, many of them having to do with fast thinking and communication. The training ended with a game between all the kids versus the small group of adults. Afterwards, Sai answered questions from the kids, and signed autographs for the kids who lined up in droves.



PUDO-Station Package Lockers set up at City Hall

Koriyama City Hall is now home to a new service: a PUDO-Station (courtesy of PackCity Japan K.K.) If you ordered something online, or are expecting a package and prefer to pick it up rather than receiving it at home, you can request to have the package placed in one of these lockers for you to pick up at a time of your convenience (open 24/7). Get your package from the locker and off you go! Currently, this service is only available with deliveries by delivery agent Kuroneko Yamato, but this is expected to be expanded in the near future. Why not try it for yourself?



Do you know Koriyama?

Now that summer is here, it is important to keep cool. While running the AC on full is tempting, it uses a lot of energy and is also very costly. In order to reduce energy-usage in the summer months, the Japanese government started the **Cool Choice-initiative**. Many people living in Japan might already be aware of the Cool Biz-campaign, that allows workers in Japanese public offices to take off their neckties and wear short-sleeves, polo-shirts and in some cases even Hawaiian shirts! Cool Choice goes a bit broader, promoting organizations to make smart choices regarding the environment and the reduction of co²-emission. Koriyama City declared its commitment to this program in June 2017. The goal: cutting the city's co²-emission level of 2007 by 25% by 2020. In order to achieve this, the city organizes classes about reducing co²-emission at various organizations, as well as at events, and the supporting the purchase and use of environmentally-friendly cars. For more information on Cool Choice, visit: <https://ondankataisaku.env.go.jp/coolchoice> (JP)



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