#### HELLO KAWASAKI

## Kawasaki City's General Contact Center



#### "Thank you for calling Kawasaki" Service

(総合コンタクトセンターについて)

This General Contact Center, "Thank you for calling Kawasaki" Service has been running since November 2005. Its purpose is to answer various questions about Kawasaki, to take your opinions, consult with you about matters related to Kawasaki, its administrative systems, different municiple procedures, facilities, events that might be happening and so on. The "Thank you for calling Kawasaki" Service is also offered in English. If they are unable to answer your question straight away they will then look up the information and call you back afterwards.

The "Thank you for calling Kawasaki" service is only capable of answering your questions.

The phone number is 044-200-3939.

This service is available is 8:30am to 5:00pm Monday to Friday, except Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays during the year-end and New Year holidays .

It is also possible to fax, email or post your questions to this service.

The fax number is 044-200-3900.

The e-mail address is www.contact.city.kawasaki.jp

Another source of information about Kawasaki is the Kawasaki City homepage. If you can find this homepage you should see an icon for frequently asked questions. Click on this and you will be able to read up on things like legal procedures, national health insurance, family register information and so on.

For more details please phone the Citizens Information Counter at the Sogo Bureau at 044-200-2291.



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### 224 Children's Music Festa



(子供の音楽祭典について)

The Children's Music Ceremony will be held at the MUZA Kawasaki Symphony Hall on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2006. The reason for holding this Children's Music Ceremony is to give the children of Kawasaki, who are the bearers of the future, the chance to enjoy music and help raise them to always enjoy music. The idea is based on the "Music Town, Kawasaki" promotional campaign. The Children's Music Ceremony is divided into two parts: the "Children's Music Contest" section and the "Attraction" section. In the "Children's Music Contest" there will be (announcements of) music performances under the themes of "The Fun of Music" by elementary school children, "Progress in Musical Ability" by junior high school students and "Musical Expressions" by high school students.

The "Attraction" part of the Children's Music Ceremony is the special performance of the piece "The Tune of Kawasaki" which won the top prize of the "Music Town, Kawasaki" theme music competition that was held amongst citywide elementary, junior high and high school students.

Furthermore, a march version of "March, The Tune of Kawasaki" will be performed for the first time by the Young Kawasaki Joyful Band. So please try come to this Children's Music Festival at MUZA Kawasaki. It really helps children to grow up realizing the fun of music.

All tickets to this event cost 1000 yen. Tickets may be bought through Ticket Pia.

For more details about Children's Music Ceremony, please contact the Education Committee at 044-200-3243.



#### The Kawasaki Dog-Run Park



(ドッグラン施設整備)

A new dog-run facility currently being set up by Kawasaki City for dog owners and their dogs is an area where people can walk their dogs without having to keep their doggie on a lead.

The dog-run area is now in the process of being built at Higashi-Ougishima Park in Kawasaki Ward and is expected to be finished by March 2008.

The dog-run is being built on the same spot as one of the joint projects by Kawasaki City and the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport , which will be used as a disaster prevention supply point facility at the same time.

This dog-run park is the first public facility of its type in Kawasaki City and it is being built in accordance with the demand from the increasing number of dog owners in Kawasaki City. Researching the conditions of the park, the opinions of the dog owners and the people in the vicinity, there were too many difficulties and problems to build up a dog run park newly in an existing ordinary public park.

Higashi-Ougishima Park is at the seafront area of Kawasaki. It is a 16hectare area of reclaimed land that is being used for camping, sporting, and so on.

A part of this park is also to be used as a relay base for emergency supplies to the Tokyo area in the event of a big disaster and has been set up an area for rescue dogs to stand by and to have a drinking water supply, which place will be used as a dog-run park in normal times. There will be a fence enclosing an area of 1,800 square meters. It will be free to use and will officially open in April 2008.

For more details please telephone the Bayside Bureau at 044-200-3061.

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A Date: 1st Saturday from 2:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.

Place: Kanagawa Volunteer Support Center

2-24-2 Tsuruya-cho, Kanagawa ward Yokohama-shi

B Date: <u>3rd Sunday from 2:00P.M. to 4:00P.M.</u> Place: Kawasaki International Center

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