

Muza Kawasaki's Membership

>From July of 2004 you will be able to apply to join to become a member of " The Tomo no Kai Club " of the new Muza Kawasaki which is the newly built symphony hall here in Kawasaki. You can apply for membership of " The Tomo no Kai Club " by phoning or going directly to the information counter at the Muza Kawasaki. You can also apply at the post office.



There are a limited number of possible members who, for a yearly payment of ¥3000, will be able to enjoy certain benefits of the Muza Kawasaki.

For example, you will get first choice when buying the regular concert tickets, you will be able to book tickets on a priority basis and get a 10% discount on concerts performed by outside groups. A free magazine full of special information will be sent to you.

Furthermore, until the end of November you will be able to get a present of a ¥2000 coupon which you can use for public concerts or use at the facilities and shops at Muza Kawasaki.

If you would like to enjoy these and other privileges of being a member of the club, please contact the Muza Kawasaki. You can apply at the information counter on the 5th floor at the Muza Kawasaki building which is on the west side of the Kawasaki train station, you can also apply by phoning this information counter at 044-520-0200 or you can even apply at the post office. Please contact the information office at the Muza Kawasaki for more information.



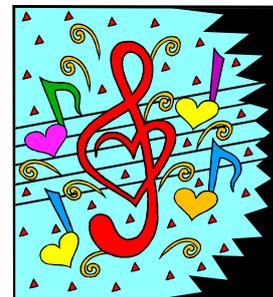
In Unity 2004

The In Unity 2004 is a festival of amateur bands and dance units within Nakahara Ward. This year will be the 5th year that the festival will be held. Last year 1,300 people came along and enjoyed the concert.

At this year's In Unity 2004 you will be able to see 13 bands, 3 solo artists and 16 dancing units perform on stage.

The event will be held Sunday March 7th, opening at 11:30am and starting at 12:00 to 6:00pm. The place is the Grand Hall in Epoch Nakahara which is at JR Musashi-nakahara Station.

If you want to enjoy the In Unity 2004 just come along directly on the 7th of March, you don't need to make any bookings. And it is free to join.



Ikuta Ryokuchi Festa



The Ikuta Ryokuchi Festa will be held at the Ikuta Ryokuchi Park in Tama ward this March. The Ikuta Ryokuchi Festa is a combination of the Tama Ward Folk Festival and the Tama Ward Forest Festival, which used to be held separately. The Tama Ward Folk Festival will take place around the fountain area in the heart of the Ikuta Ryokuchi Park. Along with street performers and other forms of entertainment, the cost of entering the Folk Park and the Okamoto Taro Museum will be reduced to just ¥100. Also it will be free to watch Megastar II at the planetarium in the Youth Science Museum. This is an amazing show displaying over 4,000,000 stars which is a shortened program of the regular Megastar II. The regular program will be shown on Saturdays and Sundays in March.

The other festival to be held at the Ikuta Ryokuchi Festa is the Tama Forest Festival. The Tama Forest

Festival will be held in the open area of the Masagata Mountain. You can enjoy music of the forest, TV hero shows, an air trampoline, a mini zoo amongst other events.

The Ikuta Ryokuchi Festa will be on Saturday the 13th of March from 10:00am to 3:00pm. In case of rain on the day it will be held the following day on Sunday the 14th of March.

For more information on the Tama Ward Folk Festival contact the Area Promotional Office at the Tama ward Office at the phone number 044-935-3130.

For information on the Tama Ward Forest Festival please phone 044-935-3132.

Sewage and Drainage Fee Changes

The financial condition of the Sewage and Drainage Agency has reached a severe crisis. In order to plan a fair and equal way to share the burden and benefits of the agency it was proposed last December at the City Assembly Meeting that the fees for using sewage and drainage should be changed. From April 1st 2004 these fees will be changed by an average of 8.7%.



Japanese Classes



Japanese classes for foreigners and returnees are regularly held in various centers throughout Kawasaki. Along with learning Japanese conversation and writing skills that are an important point for everyday living, you can also learn about Japanese lifestyle customs. The classes are held for foreigners and returnees who live or work in and around Kawasaki. The days, times and methods of applying are different depending on the center where the classes are held.

For applying and for more detailed information please phone the relevant center. The following is a list of the times when classes are held at the centers.

Kyoiku Bunka Hall	Wednesday Evening Course	044-233-6361
Saiwai Shiminkan	Wednesday Morning Course & Thursday Evening Course	044-541-3910
Nakahara Shiminkan	Tuesday Morning Course & Tuesday and Friday Evening Course	044-722-7171
Takatsu Shiminkan	Wednesday Morning Course & Thursday Evening Course	044-814-7603
Miyamae Shiminkan	Friday Morning Course & Wednesday Evening Course	044-888-3911
Tama Shiminkan	Wednesday Morning Course & Friday Evening Course	044-935-3333
Asao Shiminkan	Thursday Morning & Evening Course	044-951-1300
Fureai-kan	Tuesday & Friday Morning Course	044-276-4800
Kawasaki International Center	Tuesday & Friday Morning Course and Wednesday Evening Course	044-435-7000

Except for the Kawasaki International Center, all Japanese classes are FREE.

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