Soar! To the top of the world!!

This May marks 3 years from the opening of Higashi Shizuoka Art & Sports / Hiroba. The first of its kind to be built in the country, It is loved by many.

Higashi Shizuoka Art & Sports / Hiroba
(Higashi Shizuoka 1-chome, Aoi ward)

“Higashi Shizuoka Art & Sports / Hiroba” is a facility which opened in 2017, consisting of a “Roller Sports Park” where anyone can easily enjoy roller sports, and a “Lawn Square” where visitors can spend their time relaxing. This facility is attracting attention as Skateboarding and BMX will be official competitions at the Tokyo Olympics this year.

The “Roller Sports Park” is used as a training venue by Yukito Aoki, (from Shizuoka City) an athlete who has refined difficult skills and jumps at this facility steadily preparing, aiming to take part in the Tokyo Olympics.

Artworks are on display at “Lawn Square”, for everyone to enjoy. Positioning itself as a leading facility, the “Culture and Sports Hall of Fame,” creates a lively bustle in the Higashi Shizuoka area, it has become popular as a place for many young people to gather and enjoy.

Inquiries: Planning Division Tel. 054-221-1002

ON SPRING FESTIVAL 2020 ~Enjoying Higashi Shizuoka~

What: Exhibit & Sale of outdoor-themed products, juggling, trying roller-sports, and more.

※ Please come directly to the venue on the day. Please come using the public transportation system.

When: March 21 (Sat.) 10:00~16:00 (cancelled in the event of stormy weather)

Inquiries: H.L.N.A. (Higashi Shizuoka Art & Sports/Hiroba Organizing Committee) Tel. 054-294-7100

※Schedules are subject to change without prior notice.

Megururi Art Shizuoka ~Imaginary Creature “Gi-ga” Appears~

What: A unique exhibition of 3 dimensional sculptures by Nakayasu Momo. Imaginary creatures created from an abundant imagination, appear in the temporary gallery on the “Lawn Square” and the woods around it.

※ Please come directly to the venue. Free admission. Please use public transportation.

When: March 7 (Sat.)~22 (Sun.) 10:00~16:00(open only on Sat. Sun. & pub. holidays)

Inquiries: Cultural Promotion Foundation 054-255-4746

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**City Hall Hours Extended**

The following offices at each ward office will temporarily be open for extended hours during the period of March 24 (Tues.) ~ April 3 (Fri.) to accommodate for higher demand over the end & beginning of fiscal/academic year.

**Resident Registration Division** (for change of address when moving out of Shizuoka, moving within the city, moving into the city, family register, seal registration, etc.)

**Insurance & Pension Division** (for inquiries related to enrolment or termination of National Health Insurance, pension, medical services for elderly over 75 years of age)

**Childcare Support Division** *(Those with children will need to visit this office to make applications for child benefits, childcare allowance, medical fee subsidies for single-parent households and child medical fee subsidies, etc.)*

**Extended hours:**
- Weekdays 8:30~19:00
- Sat. & Sun. from 9:00 to 16:00

(Usual reception hours are from 8:30 to 17:15 on weekdays.)

*The Childcare Support Division reception will only be open on weekdays and closed as usual on weekends.*

The Shizuoka City Hall basement parking lot is expected to experience congestion during the temporary extended hours period, so please use public transportation wherever possible.

Please contact the Resident Registration Division of your ward to make reservations to receive your “my number card”.

If you have a “my number card”, you can have certificates such as copy of your residents card issued at a convenience store (an electric certificate and pin number are required).

※For details, please inquire at the Resident Registration Division of each ward.

Branch offices, Citizen’s Service Corner and Condo-lence Consultation Services will not establish temporary extended hour service.

The passport issuing office will be open specially on March 29 (Sun.) from 9:00~12:00.

Inquiries: City Call Center 054-200-4894
Resident Registration Division
Aoi ward office 054-221-1061
Suruga ward office 054-287-8611
Shimizu ward office 054-354-2126

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**Tsunami Evacuation Drill**

If a tsunami occurs, evacuate to higher ground as fast as you can!

Nine years have passed since the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred on March 11, 2011. This earthquake caused a huge tsunami that far exceeded our expectations, leading to the loss of many lives.

Using the experience as a lesson, the city has been improving its infrastructure, including the construction of the tsunami evacuation tower, to minimize damage. In addition, the new Shimizu government building, currently in the planning stages for reconstruction is also set to function as an emergency evacuation site. However, it is not possible to “mitigate disaster” just by improving infrastructure. In order to keep safe, it is important to be aware of where to evacuate and the route to getting there safely on a usual basis. This is why participating in evacuation drills are very important.

In Shizuoka City, if the “Tokai earthquake” or “Nankai Trough earthquake” occurs, it is anticipated that a tsunami will reach the coast in a short span of time. Evacuation drills will be held in each neighborhood in the month of March, when the Great East Japan Earthquake occurred. Prepare yourself for times of disaster by participating in local evacuation drills and check out the evacuation sites and routes once again.

**Let’s get involved in tsunami evacuation drills!!**

When: March 15 (Sun.) 10:00~

※Dates, time and venue of drills differ according to each neighborhood. Please enquire for details at your neighboring ....

Inquiries: Risk Management Division Tel. 054-221-1241

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**Dementia Care Promotion Center to open this Autumn**

Opening this fall is the first dementia care promotion center nationwide, in preparation for the goal of 100-year longevity.

Shizuoka City is making moves in “town development promotion for healthy longevity”. As one of many initiatives towards this goal, is the promotion and prioritization of the implementation for measures on dementia and are preparing to establish the (tentative) “Dementia Care Promotion Center”, a base that provides comprehensive support for dementia patients and their families.

The number of elderly people with dementia is rising with the aging population. Anyone can get dementia. Therefore, the city is taking steps to create an environment where, even if one develops dementia, both the patient and their family can receive support so that they can carry on with their lives, and live with hope.

Inquiries:
Integrated Community Care Development Team
Tel. 054-221-1576
**Miho Shirube 1st Anniversary**

“Miho Shirube” has reached its first anniversary! Have you visited Miho Shirube yet? It opened at the end of March last year and is located by “Hagoromo no Matsu” at the center of the spacious Miho no Matsubara area. The annual visitor target of 210,000 was reached in just four months! Open year round, they are currently aiming to reach 700,000 visitors at the end of the fiscal year.

In addition to the tourist information center, “Miho Shirube” has a video theater where you can enjoy the magnificent view of Mt. Fuji (even in bad weather), an exhibition room introducing Mt. Fuji worship, the Hagoromo legend, art works, etc. There is a library corner and other facilities for children and elderly to enjoy.

In addition to the four annual exhibitions, there are various events such as Japanese cultural experience events designed for foreigners, etc. They also accept requests for municipal administration lectures on pine grove conservation activities and pine wilt disease.

Please come to Miho Shirube celebrating its 1 year anniversary!

Inquiries: Miho Shirube  
Tel. 054-340-2100

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**Rabies Vaccination for Dogs**

Registering your dog and receiving annual rabies vaccination are a dog owner’s legal obligation. Owners unwilling to ablige may be punished.

Rabies vaccinations can be done at a veterinary clinic or at various public places on designated days. Information about designated venues besides veterinary clinics can be obtained by inquiring at the Animal Guidance Center offices listed below.

Dogs registered outside the city require a registration change. Please come to the Animal Guidance Center or vaccination venue bringing the license tag with a document that can identify the registration or animal.

Dogs required to get vaccinated: dogs 91 days old or over  
Fee: ¥6,500 for registration and vaccination  
¥3,500 for vaccination only (for pre-registered dogs)

- Consult a veterinary clinic in advance if your dog is experiencing health problems.
- A person who can control the dog should bring the dog in a clean condition on the day.

Inquiries: Animal Guidance Center  
Ubume, Aoi-ku Tel. 054-278-6409  
2fl Shimizu ward office Tel. 054-354-2403

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**64th Shizuoka Matsuri**

Shizuoka Matsuri, held annually, depicting the history of Shizuoka from the days when Tokugawa leyasu spent his latter days in Sumpu. Various events are held around Sumpu Castle Park, along the main streets between JR Shizuoka station.

**Ogosho Hanami Gyoretsu Procession**

What: A 400 person-procession reenacting the flower-viewing walk on which the Shogun Tokugawa leyasu took his vassalage.

When: *(route for)* Sat. 4th April  
Where: 14:15pm Starts outside Higashi Gomon  
14:35pm outside JR Shizuoka station ⇒ Gofukucho-dori⇒ Sengen-dori ⇒ 15:10pm Sengen Shrine ⇒ 15:50pm outside Shizuoka City Hall

When: *(route for)* Sun. 5th April  
Where: 14:00pm Starts outside Higashi Gomon  
14:20pm outside JR Shizuoka station ⇒ Gofukucho-dori⇒ 14:45pm Fuda no Tsuji ⇒ 15:15pm outside Shizuoka City Hall

**Yozakura Ranbu (Dance Parade)**

What: Dance procession by members of the public and dance groups, etc. dancing & parading through Ote-machi & Miyuki-dori (beginning outside JR Shizuoka station through Naka-cho intersection).

When: 17:00-19:50 (Sat.) 4th April  
15:00-16:50 (Sun.) 5th April (those dancing on this day must wear something in pastel pink as a reminder of “sakura”-cherry blossom)

- Those who don’t belong to a group that will be entering the parade and wish to enter as last minute participants can register for a fee of ¥300 from 16:00 on Sat. for main street procession; from 14:00 on Sun.

- Note that major traffic restrictions will be imposed along the main streets and around the castle precincts throughout that weekend.

Inquiries: Shizuoka Matsuri Organising Committee  
Tel. 054-221-0182

※Schedules are subject to change without prior notice.

The dog license tag and rabies vaccination tag issued once registration and vaccination are completed, will provide clues to returning it to its owner when gone stray or in the event that it gets lost in a disaster, so attaching them to the collar is recommended.
City Offices Directory

If you don’t know the number of a particular office, call the Information Desk (daihyō bangō)

- Aoi Ward Office
  5-1 Ote-machi, Aoi-ku
  054-254-2115

- Shimizu Ward Office
  6-8 Asahi-cho, Shimizu-ku
  054-354-2111

- Suruga Ward Office
  10-40 Minami Yahata, Suruga-ku
  054-202-5811

- City Hall-Shizuoka Office
  5-1 Ote-machi, Aoi-ku
  054-254-2111

- City Hall-Shimizu Office
  6-8 Asahi-cho, Shimizu-ku
  054-354-2111

- City Hall-Kambara Office
  2-16-8 Shinden, Kambara
  054-385-3111

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