

Mogallana was one of the ten great disciples of Buddha and an ancient Indian ascetic. He was known as the first in supernatural powers for his excellent use of supernatural powers.

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Hiro C.D.C. : Hiro Community Development Center

Let's live without losing to the summer heat and keep our smiles intact!

The seasons change quickly and the summer season has arrived. The temperature has risen and the sunlight has become stronger, so it is important to take measures against heatstroke by replenishing fluids frequently and also not to forget measures against ultraviolet rays. Speaking of August, it is the season of *Obon*. In *Hiroshima* Prefecture, colorful lanterns for welcoming the spirits of ancestors can now be seen at supermarkets. It is said that *Mokuren*, a disciple of Buddha, held a memorial service on the 15th day of the seventh month of the lunar calendar, in the middle of August, to save his mother who had fallen into the realm of hungry spirits.

By the way, the realm of hungry spirits is a world in which one suffers from constant hunger and thirst, and the causes of falling into the realm of hungry spirits are worldly desires such as greed and jealousy. Due to Corona restrictions, events that were limited are starting to come back one after another in various places. Let's live without losing to the summer heat and keep our smiles intact!

The regular courses at Hiro Community Development Center in August are not being held except for some parts. Please be careful not to make a mistake. *Director Hosokawa*

## Information from Hiro Library

【Opening Time】 from 9:30 to 20:00

【Closing Days】 Thursdays and National Holidays

Closed days in Aug. :

3<sup>rd</sup> · 10<sup>th</sup> · 11<sup>th</sup> (Mountain Day) · 17<sup>th</sup> · 24<sup>th</sup> · 31<sup>st</sup>

\* **Babar's Toddling Picture Book Meeting**

**Date and time:** Aug. 18<sup>th</sup> (Fri.) 10:30-11:00

**Location:** 6th floor Japanese-style room (604)  
of Hiro Civic Center



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Population of HIRO  
at the end of April  
(in comparison to Mar.)  
Population 43,794 (-71)  
●M E N 21,256 (-35)  
●WOMEN 22,538 (-36)



"Even if I make strict rules and force my vassals to follow them, if the general behaves selfishly, the rules are as good as nothing. To make others follow the rules, one must first reflect on their own words and actions and have a strong attitude of immediately correcting themselves if they are wrong." *Takeda Shingen*

## Registration starts on Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> (Sun) Information from Hiro C.D.C.

### ① Herbarium -Plant Specimens- You can make two of your favorite herbariums. They can also be used as offerings for Bon.

**Recruitment target:** Elementary school students or older.  
Children in 4th grade or younger must be accompanied by a guardian.  
**Date and Time:** 9/10 (Sun) 10:00-12:00  
**Participation Cost:** ¥2,100  
**Seating Capacity:** 15 (first come, first served)



### ② Ballet Stretching with Parents -Cultivate Flexibility Leading to Ballet-

**Recruitment target:** Ages 1-3  
**Date and Time:** 9/12·26, 10/10·24  
(Tuesdays · 4 sessions) 15:30-16:30  
**Participation Cost:** ¥1,600  
**Seating Capacity:** 10 pairs (first come, first served)



### ③ Stay Healthy Both Physically And Mentally With YOSAKOI Dance!

**Recruitment target:** Junior high school students or older  
(elementary school students can come with an adult)  
**Date and Time:** 2·16/9, 7·21/10, 2·16/12  
(6 sessions in total) from 19:00 to 21:00  
**Participation Cost:** ¥2,400  
**Seating Capacity:** 30 (first come, first served)

Let's boost our basal metabolic rate through full-body exercise and release stress by dancing to the rhythm. "NARUKO" is a small handheld instrument made of wooden clappers tied together with a string. It is often used in traditional Japanese performances, such as festivals or folk dances.



## Federation of Hiro Children's Associations Hiro Children's Festival Held for the First Time in 4 Years

**Date:** Sunday May 14<sup>th</sup> Started at 10 AM

**Location:** Hiro Park Multipurpose Plaza

**Organizer:** Hiro Development Promotion Council

We were blessed with clear weather on the day, and we held a crime prevention and traffic safety parade in the Hiro Shopping Street. Afterwards, both children and adults had a great time together at the multipurpose square in Hiro Park, enjoying games and workshops. Thank you very much to everyone for your cooperation.

Parade



Pendant

Dream Balloon



Stacked Daruma



Beanbag



Stilts



Takeda Shingen was a military commander during the Sengoku period. He was known as the "Tiger of Kai" and was a military commander with excellent military leadership.



## Introduction of Temporary Courses of Hiro C.D.C.

### ① The Ogasawara-Ryu SENCHA Tea Ceremony

"The Classroom I visited this time was the short-term course "Sencha-Do Tea Ceremony (Ogasawara-Ryu)". The instructor is **Ms. Mirei Hirose**. Ms. Hirose's grandfather was a teacher of Sencha-do and had an "Ocha-Shitu" (tea room) at home, so she had the opportunity to experience Sencha-Do since she was a child. She was told that "children should not enter the tea room", but she felt comfortable in the atmosphere made of wood and paper and often sneaked in. Her father was a teacher

[Ms. Mirei Hirose]



of Kado (flower arrangement) and her mother was a teacher of Sencha-Do, so she was naturally in an environment where she could study Sencha-Do. After serving as a regular course instructor for two years at the Shimogamakari Machizukuri Center, Ms. Hirose opened a short-term course "Sencha-Do (Ogasawara-ryu)" at this

center in April of this year. Her mother's 33-year career as a "Sencha-Do" instructor at this center has had a significant impact on her. According to Ms. Hirose, "The charm of Sencha-Do is not only that tea is delicious, but also that you can rediscover the goodness of Japan from small tea bowls, various tools made of different materials, and small sweets. When it comes to hospitality, you might think of serving luxurious dishes, but if you carefully make tea and serve tea and sweets for that person alone, you can entertain them with just tea and sweets. You can celebrate important milestones in your loved ones' lives such as birthdays, graduations, departures, and hospital discharges by supporting them. A new "style in the era of Corona" has also emerged. When it comes to tea ceremony, there is an image that it is highly formal and



somewhat nervous. However, while there are rules in Sencha-Do, you can relax and participate easily. We are recruiting students for this course, so if you are interested, please contact us at this center."

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**Our office is normally closed on 4<sup>th</sup> Monday**  
**August Monday 28<sup>th</sup>**

## Information from HIRO Sports Association

### HIRO Town People Japanese Archery Tournament

**Date & Time:** Sun. Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, Opening Ceremony at 9:00AM  
**Place:** Kure Municipal Kyudo Court (close-range shooting)

**Participants:** High School Students who lives in Hiro and working or being in schools in Hiro.

**Participation Fee:**

①General Public Division : ¥300

②High School Student Division : FREE

※Please pay the fee on that day at the Kyudo Court

**Time limit for application:** Wed. Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, ~15:00

**Application Desk:** HIRO Sport Association Office

**Contact:** Shindo ☎ 080-6988-1754



### HIRO Town People Badminton Tournament

**Date & Time:** Sun. Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, Opening Ceremony at 9:10AM  
**Place:** Kure City General Gymnasium (Shi-shin-yo Oak Arena) Sub Arena

**Participants:** ①People who lives in Hiro

②School Students in Hiro ③Workers in Hiro

**Participation Fee:**

①General Public Division: ¥500

②School Student Division: ¥300

**Time limit for application:** Sat. Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, ~17:00

**Application Desk & Contact:** HIRO Sport Association Office

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※These two projects are operated by the Kure City Social Welfare Council, the Hiro District Residents' Association Federation, and the support members' subsidies.



## Information from HIRO Collaboration Center

"I'm interested in volunteering and community activities, but I don't know much about them. I want to know more about what kind of volunteer work there is. I can't do it right now, but I want to try it someday..."

Let's chat about what you think and what you're curious about in your daily life! Feel free to join us.

\*Kids Corner are suspended & Tea service has resumed.

**Date and time:** Friday Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> 2023 10:00 to 12:00

**Capacity:** No limit **Target:** Those who live in Kure City

**Participation fee:** Free **Application:** Not required

**Location:** Hiro Collaboration Center (Hiro Civic Center 4F)

\*Our center is closed every Wednesday.

\*You can come and go as you please, so feel free to come. \*The event may be cancelled depending on the situation.



Rainbow Cafe



## The 5th Hiro District Bon Dance & New Shin-Hiro Ondo

Please continue to pass down each region's Bon Dance as one of the traditions to future generations. Also, please help spread the word about 'Shin-Hiro Ondo' to more people and deepen your love for your hometown. In addition, we will hold a local history Jumbo Karuta Tournament created by the students of Hiro-Minami Junior High School, so please learn about the importance of our history.

**Date and time:** Sunday, August 6th, 2023

**Venue:** Hiro Park

《Summer Festival》 from 14:00 to 18:00

(Jumbo Karuta Tournament: 16:00-)

○Sponsor members and local shops will have booths

○Food Trucks ○Kureshi's Slider • Kureshi's

Bouncer • Children's Experience Booth, etc.

《Bon dance》 from 18:00 to 20:00

○The Bon dance for each region at different times.

\*Contents are subject to change. Thank you for your understanding.



We will hold it again this year!



## A Gymnastics Class Will Be Holding

◎**Date:** Thursday, August 24th, 2023 (Reiwa 5)

◎**Meeting place:** Hiroshi Civic Center Room 701

◎**Reception time:** 9:00 AM

**Instructor:** 3B Gymnastics **Ms. Miyori Fujii**

※Please bring clothes and shoes that are easy to move in and a towel.

※Drinks will be provided.

※Please sign up for recreational insurance at the reception desk.

**Contact:** Hori ☎ 080-1919-6088



## Editorial Note ~Precipitation Probability~

Does a 30% precipitation probability mean that I need an umbrella? This is about precipitation probability. It is not related to the strength or amount of rain or the duration of rainfall. It refers to the probability of 1 millimeter or more of rain or snow falling at a certain point. In baseball, both a bloop single and a home run are counted as one hit. Similarly, both light rain and heavy rain are counted as one instance of rain. Even if the precipitation probability is 0%, it may still rain, and 100% does not necessarily mean heavy rain. Whether or not to bring an umbrella with a 30% precipitation probability seems to depend on a reliable weather forecast app or your own intuition.



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