

# Public Relations Magazine



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

## Halloween and Jack-o'-Lantern

October is a refreshing season with cool autumn winds blowing. At our center, while surrounded by the pleasant breeze, all the staff members are working on preparations for the district-wide education festival to be held in November.

Now, for some reason, as soon as October arrives, people get excited about Halloween. Originally a Western festival, it is celebrated with grandeur on the night of October 31st in America and Europe. Its origin lies in an ancient Celtic festival that celebrated the end of summer and the beginning of winter, where it was believed that the spirits of the dead and malevolent entities would return to the earthly realm.

During Halloween, people dress up in costumes and go from house to house to drive away evil spirits and receive treats and food. They carve pumpkins into lanterns, called "Jack-o'-lanterns," named after the tale of a person who lived a sinful life and, upon death, was denied entry into both heaven and hell. With a lantern made from a coal given by the devil, their soul wanders endlessly.

Japanese people get excited about Halloween because they want to become someone else, incognito with costumes and makeup, expressing a desire to be different from their usual selves. Even though Halloween is not deeply rooted in our culture, if it's being celebrated with such enthusiasm, it might be fun to join in and enjoy together. *Director T.Hosokawa*

## Information from Hiro C.D.C.

### ① "W" Stimulation "Brain and Soles" Registration starts on Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> (Fri.)

**Participant:** Over 18 years of age

**Date and Time:** 4・11・18/Dec, 8・15・29/Jan,  
5・12・19/Feb, 4・11・18/Mar  
(All Mon.) 10:00~12:00

**Participation cost:** ¥4,800 (newcomer=¥4,910)

**Seating Capacity:** 30 (first come, first served)



# 2023



# October

## ② Handmade New Year Card (by woodblock) ~How about making original New Year card?~

**Participant:** 4<sup>th</sup> Grader of E.S.~Adults

**Date and Time:** Sun. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> 13:00~16:00

**Participation cost:** ¥400

**Seating Capacity:** 30 (first come, first served)

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!



## Announcement from 'Hirohiro-ba' Ike-Dan Lecture, Second Session 2023

We support men who want to enjoy parenting and time with their families. Target audience: Fathers and grandfathers of infants aged 4 months to 2 years old.

**Content:** "Let's play with our bodies together, Dad!"

**Date and Time:** Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> (Sat),  
10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

**Location:** 'Hirohiro-ba'  
(Hiro Civic Center 3rd floor).

**Registration:** Through QR code.

**Fee:** Free.



For inquiries, contact Kure City Sukoyaka Childcare Support Center at 'Hirohiro-ba', Phone: 76-1616.

## 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:** Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> (Fri.), 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

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If one can wake up in the morning and understand the principles of living as a human being, they will have no regrets even if they die that evening. This understanding is the essence of living as a human being. Merely heading towards death without making an effort to live as a human being is not the essence of life.

Takasugi Shinsaku

## Information from Hiro Library

【Opening Time】 from 9:30 to 20:00

【Closing Days】 Thursdays and National Holidays

**Closed days in October :** 9<sup>th</sup> (Sports Day) ・ 12<sup>th</sup> ・ 19<sup>th</sup> ・ 26<sup>th</sup>

<Special Closure Period> from Sep. 28<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

\*During this 8-day period, the Kure City Library will be closed for book inspection from September 28<sup>th</sup> (Thu) to October 5<sup>th</sup> (Thu). If you wish to return books during the closure, please use the **return post** located at the entrance of the Hiro Civic Center. However, please refrain from returning large picture books through the post.

We apologize for any inconvenience and appreciate your understanding.

**\*Babar's Picture Book Fair**

**Date and Time:** Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> (Fri)

10:30 AM to 11:10 AM

**Location:** Hiro Civic Center, 6F 604

**Contact:** Hiro Library ☎ 71-7470



## How about Walking with us?

◎**Event Date:** October 18<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 2023

◎**Meeting Point:** JR Kure Station

◎**Meeting Time:** 9:00 AM (Departure at 9:30 AM)



Course: **8 km of Exploring Kure's History**

JR Kure Station ~ Imanishi Street ~ Naganoki Tunnel ~ Nagasako Park ~ Kameyama Jinja Shrine ~ JR Kure Station (Disbandment)

\*Please note that the event may be canceled or the course may change due to weather conditions or other circumstances.

For inquiries, contact: **Hori** at 080-1919-6088.

Please provide your name at the reception for recreational insurance coverage.





## Introduction of Short Courses of Hiro C.D.C. 22 Japanese Dance (School of Fujima)



The course visited this time is "Japanese Dance (Fujima style)" taught by Ms. *Risho Fujima*. Japanese Dance is a general term for traditional dances in Japan that combines "dance" and "dance". There are currently over 200 schools, and *Fujima* style is one of the "five major schools". When I entered room 604 (Japanese-style room), dance lessons were progressing in a tense atmosphere. When I asked for permission to take photos, the atmosphere immediately changed to a bright, cheerful and friendly one. Ms. *Fujima* started dancing when he was in the first grade of elementary school. The reason was that her family was not a head family, but she thought it would be good for his health because he was weak. Since then, he has never hated dancing, and has been teaching for about 55 years. At this center, she has been teaching for a long time with the theme of "Improving Hobbies and Health by passing on Japanese Dance as a cultural tradition". At the Spring Cultural Festival and Autumn Educational Festival presentations, students work together to practice hard. Even those who find it difficult to dance due to their age enjoy watching others dance. It's really a bright atmosphere. There are no age restrictions or experience required to start this course. You don't need anything special to prepare for it; what you have at home is enough. If you are interested in Japanese dance even a little bit, please come and visit us once.

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## Information from HIRO Sports Association Results of Prefectural Open Table Tennis Tournament

**Date & Time:** Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 10:00 AM  
**Location:** Shishinyo Oak Arena, Main Arena  
**Organizer:** Hiro Sports Association & Hiro Community Development Promotion Council  
**Supported by:** Kure City



### [Boys Under J. H. S.]

- 1st *Harumu Shosei* (Hiro Table Tennis)
- 2nd *Takaaki Kuwahara* (HiroChuo JHS)
- 3rd *Reito Sasao* (Gohara JHS)

### [Men's Open Division]

- 1st *Soki Yashiki* (Hiro Table Tennis)
- 2nd *Tomoki Yoshikawa* (Advance)
- 3rd *Seiji Yoshikawa* (Advance)

### [Men's Over 60 Division]

- 1st *Yasunori Yamane* (Nigata Tai-Kyo)
- 2nd *Yuji Okada* (Nigata Tai-Kyo)
- 3rd *Minoru Okada* (Himawari Group)

### [Girls Under J. H. S.]

- 1st *Iroha Matsuda* (Shirataka JHS)
- 2nd *Rena Kaya* (Hiro Table Tennis)
- 3rd *Manami Kurisu* (Shirataka JHS)

### [Women's Open Division]

- 1st *Manami Kobayashi* (Kuimoto Club)
- 2nd *Hinata Morio* (Kuimoto Club)

### [Women's Over 60 Division]

- 1st *Masumi Morita* (Charming)
- 2nd *Junko Shindo* (Kawajiri Tai-Kyo)
- 3rd *Eiko Tanabe*

## Results 54th Hiro District Junior Soft Tennis Tournament

**Date & Time:** Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 9:00 AM  
**Location:** Kure National College of Technology Tennis Court  
**Organizer:** Hiro Sports Association,  
**Supported by:** Kure City & Chugoku Shimibun



### [7th Graders Boys]

- 1st *Matsoka · Terayama* (Shiratake JHS)
- 2nd *Yoshimura · kawahara* (Yokoro JHS)
- 3rd *Tsuchimoto · Yamaguchi* (Shiratake JHS)
- 3rd *Kadono · Kichina* (Yokoro JHS)

### [7th Graders Girls]

- 1st *Hiraoka · Shiode* (Yokoro JHS)
- 2nd *Jingai · Matsushima* (Yokoro JHS)
- 3rd *Aoki · Inoue* (HiroChuo JHS)
- 3rd *Komoto · Nakahara* (HiroMinami JHS)

### [8th Graders Boys]

- 1st *Masumoto · Kajjume* (Shiratake JHS)
- 2nd *Yamachita · Nagano* (HiroChuo JHS)
- 3rd *Watanabe · Sera* (Shiratake JHS)
- 3rd *Kawasaki · Nozaki* (Yokoro JHS)

### [8th Graders Girls]

- 1st *Naka · Kawamoto* (HiroChuo JHS)
- 2nd *Nagano · Mihatake* (HiroChuo JHS)
- 3rd *Oshita · Morikiyo* (Yokoro JHS)
- 3rd *Ueda · Nakano* (HiroChuo JHS)

### [High Schooler Boys]

- 1st *Tsuchimoto · Miyamoto* (Hiro HS)
- 2nd *Matsuoka · Hayai* (Kure-Kosen)
- 3rd *Omo · Yoshinaka* (Hiro HS)
- 3rd *Teimoto · Nakamura* (Kure-Kosen)

### [High Schooler Girls]

- 1st *Matsumori · Yamanaka* (Hiro)
- 2nd *Ishine · Hanaoka* (Ichi-Kure)
- 3rd *Kaya · Okano* (Ichi-Kure)
- 3rd *Hatamoto · Ueda* (Kure-Kosen)

## 42nd HIRO Town People Ground Golf Match

**Date and Time:** Mon. Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> 8:30~ Opening Ceremony  
※If it rains, it will be postponed to Tue. Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>  
**Place :** Hiro Park Ground  
**Participants:** People who live in Hiro & members of GG club in Hiro  
**Participation Fee:** ¥500/ person (pay on the day of the day)  
**Application deadline:** Thu. Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> ~17:00  
FAX: 73-5034 (available)  
**Contact:** *Onji Mitsunori* ☎73-0485



## from Hiro Children's Association Federation Hiro Children's Association Federation Stardust in Oku-Izumo

**Date:** August 5<sup>th</sup> (Sat.) to 6<sup>th</sup> (Sun.)  
**Location:** *Oku-Izumo, Shimane* Pref., and others.  
"Akana Wetland"  
We learned about various animals and plants.



### "Oku-Izumo Tane Nature Museum"

We visited "Oku-Izumo Tane Nature Museum" - We experienced creating Night Museum dioramas. We stayed overnight here.



### "Oku-Izumo Tamahagane Museum"

We experienced "Oku-Izumo Tamahagane Museum" - We learned about the process of making *Tamahagane* from iron sand. We were very interested in the guide's explanations.



### "Mononoke Museum"

We visited "Mononoke Museum" - This Museum is in *Miyoshi*. We experienced "Team Lab" inside the museum and completed the entire process.

Throughout the two days, we had unique experiences that we normally wouldn't have, and if we were able to see significant growth, we would be highly satisfied.

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Our office is normally closed on 4<sup>th</sup> Monday  
Oct. Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>