

Hiro Community Newsletter

Hiro C. D. Center

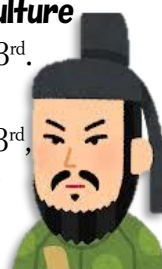
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Hiro C.D.C. : Hiro Community Development Center

Culture Day, Labor Thanksgiving Day & Hiro Education Festival

November brings two national holidays in Japan: **Culture Day** on the 3rd and **Labor Thanksgiving Day** on the 23rd. Culture Day originally marks the birthday of Emperor **Meiji**, who led Japan's modernization. On November 3rd, 1946, the Japanese Constitution, rooted in democracy and peace, was promulgated. Two years later, this day was officially named Culture Day to promote peace



and cultural development. Labor Thanksgiving Day has its origins in the ancient **Niname-sai** harvest festival, where the Emperor would offer the year's first rice to the gods in gratitude for the harvest. This ceremony is one of the most important imperial rituals. In 1948, it became a national holiday under its current name to honor the hard work of the nation.

Another notable event in November is the release of **Beaujolais Nouveau** on the third Thursday of the month. This French wine, from the Beaujolais region, has become a highly anticipated event in Japan, where its release is celebrated as an annual tradition.



As for Hiro local events, this year marks the 76th Hiro Community Education Festival. First held in 1949 to promote education and culture in the Hiro district, the festival

教育第一 continues to embody the spirit of "Education First." The festival was originally used to organize by the **Hiro PTA** Federation, and the entire community is encouraged to join in and celebrate various cultural activities. We look forward to everyone's participation to make this year's event a success! We warmly encourage everyone in the community to gather your friends and come visit the Hiro Community Development Center! **Director Hosokawa**



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Population of HIRO at the end of AUG

(in comparison to JULY)

Total 42,840 (+3)

MEN 20,748 (+10)

WOMEN 22,092 (-7)



Illness is not a matter of chance but of inevitability. The pursuit of academic knowledge must always be a relentless quest for truth. If one approaches any endeavor with utmost sincerity, success is assured. There is no shortcut to learning; only effort and perseverance pave the way. Don't deal with people, but deal with Heaven, do your best and don't criticize others.

Shibusaburo Kitasato

Information from Hiro C.D.C.

Thank you for your cooperation in submitting 11-term course fees

We are now accepting payments for the second-term fees for regular courses. Those who attended the first term will automatically be enrolled for the second term. Please make your payment by the end of October. For courses that have not reached full capacity, new enrollments may still be accepted. For more details, please contact the Hiro C. D. Center at 71-2151.

Registration starts on Nov. 20th (Wed)

① Hand-Kneaded Bread Workshop

Let's Make Christmas Wreath Bread!

Eligibility: 1st~9th graders (1st~3rd graders accompanied by a guardian)

Date & Time: Dec. 22nd (Sun) 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fee: ¥1,800

Capacity: 12 participants (first-come, first-served)

② Christmas Kids Cooking with Vegetable Sommelier

Kids Challenge of Cooking-3 Christmas Dishes!

Eligibility: 1st~6th graders

Date & Time: Dec. 25th (Wed) 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fee: ¥1,900

Capacity: 12 participants (first-come, first-served)



Information from Hiro Library

Library Hours: 9:30 AM - 8:00 PM

Closed on **Thursdays** and **public holidays**

November Closure Dates: 3rd (Sun, Culture Day), 7th, 14th, 21st, 23rd (Sat, Labor Thanksgiving Day), 28th

For inquiries: Kure City Hiro Library ☎ 71-7470

Note: No Storytime Sessions in November.



Information from Elderly Support Division

Participants Wanted! **"Stay Active and Healthy: Fitness Class for Preventing Frailty"** This class focuses on exercises and stretches aimed at improving muscle strength.

Eligibility: Residents of Kure City aged 65 and older

Note: Participation may not be possible depending on health conditions, for safety reasons.

Capacity: 25 participants **Fee:** Free

Date & Time: From Dec 20th (Fri) to Mar 28th (Fri) 2025

Every Friday from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM (12 sessions in total)

Location: Kure East Health Center, Multipurpose Room

Registration: From Oct 10th (Thu) to Nov 1st (Fri), apply in person at **Hiro, Aga, Nigata**, and **Gohara** Civic Centers, the Elderly Support Division, or any of Kure City's Senior Consultation Rooms (Regional Comprehensive Support Centers).

Applications will not be accepted at the Hiro C. D. C.

Note: You must fill out an application form. No phone applications accepted. If there are more applicants than spaces, participants will be selected.

Contact Information: Elderly Support Division **Tel: 25-3104**



Announcement from Hiro Collaboration Center

Kure Talk: Let's Chat! Share Your Ideas & Dreams for Our City

"Want to get more involved in the community?"

"Have ideas but don't know where to start?"

Why not talk about what's on your mind? You might find some hints just by discussing it. Join our relaxed roundtable discussion. Feel free to participate!

Date & Time: Fri., Nov. 22nd, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

※You can join or leave anytime during the session.

Venue: Hiro Collaboration Center (4F Hiro Civic Center)

Eligibility: Residents of Kure City Participation

Fee: Free **Registration:** Not required

Inquiries: Kure Collaboration Center

Working Hours: Tue-Sat: 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sun & Holidays: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Closed on Mondays (if Monday is a holiday, closed the following day)

Phone: 25-5602



76th Hiro District Educational Festival

< 1F Citizens' Gallery >
Nov. 2 (Sat) – Nov. 5 (Tue)
Preschool and Kindergarten Joint Art Exhibition
Nov. 11 (Mon) – Nov. 23 (Sat)
Hiro Children's Association United Exhibition:
 Wall Newspaper Exhibition "Our Kodomokai"
Nov. 19 (Tue) – Nov. 23 (Sat)
Elementary and Junior High School 'Letters' Exhibition
 Theme: "My Wish"
 < 3F Hall (Stage Presentations) >
Hiroshima Cultural Organizations Federation Stage Presentations
Nov. 9 (Sat) 11:00 AM – 3:50 PM
 ① Nene-no-Kai ② Tatsumeikai ③ Kagakyonokai ④ YojironoKai
 ⑤ Rihokai ⑥ Rishokai ⑦ Shoseikai ⑧ Shijufukunokai
 ⑨ STUDIO E.M.I ⑩ Kawaguchi Ballet Studio
 ⑪ WORKOUT STUDIO
Nov. 10 (Sun) 10:00 AM – 12:50 PM
 ① Ondo Kiyomori Drum Preservation Society ② Yuzurihanarukokai
 ③ Association Kyushu Hawaiian Association Hiroshima
 ④ Enjoy Kimono Club
Nov. 10 (Sun) 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
50th Anniversary Special Performance by the Takai Kagura Troupe
Kagura Performances: "Momijigari" and "Yamata no Orochi"
 Tickets: ¥500/person (On sale at Hiro C. D. Center)
Regular Courses and Circles Stage Presentations
Nov. 16 (Sat) 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
 * 3B Gymnastics * Traditional Japanese Dance (Fujima School)
 * Chorus * Classical Ballet * Manabi Ballet
Nov. 17 (Sun) 10:00 AM – 12:10 PM
 * YOSAKOI Dance for Physical and Mental Health
 * Folk Dance Tsubakikai * Beginner Hula for Well-being
 * Himawari21 * Himawari-Kai * Tai Chi
 < 5F and 6F Exhibition Presentations >
Nov. 2 (Sat) – Nov. 5 (Tue) Room 502 & Other Rooms
Elementary, Junior High, & High School Joint Art Exhibition
Nov. 21 (Thu) – Nov. 23 (Sat, Holiday) 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
5F Room 501: *Sewing Club Room 502: *Calligraphy, *Painting,
 *Senryu, *Haiku, *Rattan Crafts Room 503: *Easy Western Sewing
 Room 504: *Ikebana (Flower Arrangement), *Saga-Goryu Ikebana
 Akatsuki-kai (from the 22nd) **6F** Room 601: *Picture Postcard Circle
 Room 602: *Suzumekai Rooms 604/605: *Ura-Senke Tea Ceremony
 (23rd only) Room 606: Ikebana (Ikenobo) (Exhibition from the 22nd)
 < 7F Awards Ceremony >
Nov. 23 (Sat, Holiday) 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM
 Room 702: "Hiro Sports Association Sports Merit Award"
November Closure Date 25th(Mon)

Information from HIRO Sports Association

The 56th Hiro Machi Residents and Hiro District Nearby Interaction Women's Volleyball Tournament Results

Date & Time: August 18, 2024 (Sunday) from 9:00 AM
Location: Shishinyo Oak Arena (Kure City General Sports Center)
Hosted by: Hiro Sports Association
Co-hosted by: Hiro Community Development Promotion Council
Sponsored by: Kure City **Supported by:** Kure Shinkin Bank

Block A: 1 st Hiro Club KKD	2 nd Katayama Club
Block B: 1 st Kure Club	2 nd Nakamachi Club
Block C: 1 st GOD・HAND	2 nd TSUBAKI

30th Hiro Residents Archery Tournament Results

Date and Time: August 18, 2024 (Sunday) from 9:00 AM
Location: Kure City Archery Range (Target Shooting)
Hosted by: Hiro Sports Association
Co-hosted by: Hiro Community Development Promotion Council
Sponsored by: Kure City
 Participants: General 8, High School 36, Total 44 Participants

High School Girls Division

1 st Kamie Hina (Ichi Kure)	2 nd Kaneda Shiki (Kure Mitsuta)	3 rd Bumura Yui (Kure Mitsuta)
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High School Boys Division

1 st Tanaka Kurato (Ichi Kure)	2 nd Miyazaki Masaya (Kure Mitsuta)	3 rd Shintani Yoshitaka (Kure Mitsuta)
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General Women's Division

1 st Hamasaki Naomi (Kure City Kyudo Federation)	2 nd Kakihara Yoshie (Kure City Kyudo Federation)	3 rd Obayashi Chiyo (Hiro Sports Association)
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General Men's Division

1 st Kashimoto Tetsushi (Hiro Sports Association)	2 nd Minowa Hideo (Hiro Sports Association)	3 rd Suzuki Koji (Hiro Sports Association)
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Best Award (the most in the middle)

Kashimoto Tetsushi
(Hiro Sports Association)

Hiro Sports Association
71-2151

Hiro Sports Association
73-5034

Canceled

70th Hiro Town Road Race Canceled

The 70th **Hiro Town Road Race**, scheduled for Sunday, November 10th, has been **Canceled** due to traffic safety concerns and other factors. We sincerely apologize to everyone who was looking forward to the event for any inconvenience this may cause.

59th Prefecture Open Soft Tennis Tournament

Date & Time: Dec. 8th (Sun), 2024, from 9:00 AM
Location: National Kure Technical College Tennis Courts
Eligibility: Men & Women High school students and younger are not allowed to participate
Application Contact: Hiro Sports Association Office
Application Deadline: Nov. 14th (Thu), 2024
Inquiries: Hiro Sports Association, **Yatsu** ☎ 090-8363-1400

65th Hiro Residents Martial Arts Tournament Kendo

Date and Time: Nov. 24th, 2024 (Sun), 9:30 AM
Location: Shishin-Yo Oak Arena Martial Arts Hall
Eligibility: Residents of Hiro, Kindergartens & Schools Children in Hiro & workers at Hiro
Application Contact: Hiro Sports Association Office
Application Deadline: Oct. 31st (Thu)

65th Hiro Residents Martial Arts Tournament Judo

Date & Time: Sun Nov 24th, 2024, from 10:00 AM
Venue: Shishin-Yo Oak Arena, Martial Arts Hall
Eligibility: Preschool and Elementary school students who live in or attend in Hiro & neighboring towns
Application Contact: Hiro Sports Association Office
Application Deadline: Nov 2nd (Sat)

Information from "Hiro-hiro Ba" Dad's Seminar II 2024

Supporting Men Who Want to Enjoy Time with Their Families
Target: Dads, Grandfathers, and their Children
 (Children aged 0-2 years and 3 years and older who are not yet in school, along with their siblings)
Capacity: 15 families (first-come, first-served)
Activity: Unlimited Play – Let's Explore Sensory Play with Our Whole Bodies!
Date and Time: Nov. 9th (Sat) from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM
Location: Hiro City Center, 3F
 Hirohiro-ba "Training Room"
Registration: Starting October 21st (Mon) via QR code

How about Walking with us?
Date: Saturday, November 23rd, 2024
Meeting Place: Hiro Civic Center **RAIN OUT!**
Meeting Time: 9:00 AM
Course: **Ryotani・Funatsu Shrine Round 5km**
 Hiro Civic Center ⇄ Bentenbashi Park ⇄ Funatsu Shrine
 ⇄ Ryotani ⇄ Oak Arena ⇄ Hiro Civic Center

We will depart after the opening ceremony of Hiro District Education Festival. Please note that the course may change due to weather or other circumstances.
Inquiries: ☎ **Hori:** 080-1919-6088
 ※Please sign up at the reception desk for recreation insurance.