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This newsletter is a partial translation from the March 25th issue of 'Nishinomiya Municipal Bulletin.' We will be glad to help you seek further information about events or notices announced here.

Starting this April

Expanding the Family Partnership Oath Certification System



Since April 2021, Nishinomiya City has implemented the City's Partnership Oath Certification System, and this system will expand to include partner's children and/or parents in addition to the two people intending to form a partnership, i.e. establishing a "Nishinomiya City Partnership & Family Partnership Oath Certification System" starting from April 2024. Reservation is required to make an oath which is available 24 hours, 365 days

a year. Please check the City's website for details. [Inquiries] Gender Equality Promotion Division (Tel: 0798-64-9495)

Reserve for Migratory Birds KEEP OFF PART OF KOSHIENHAMA BEACH IN APRIL & MAY



The City has designated part of Koshienhama beach as "Biological Reserve Area" by the ordinance to preserve its natural environment.

As migratory birds such as snipes, plovers, etc. come to



the designated area except the promenade, to secure their feeding ground between April 1 and May 31. Do not go sea fishing and clam picking there.

the beach every year, you must not enter

[Inquiries] Koshienhama Natural Environment Center (Tel: 0798-49-6401)

Health Column (March) LET'S PREVENT CERVICAL CANCER. -Advice from a public health nurse-



Cervical cancer is a kind of cancer that women in their 20s and 30s are most likely to develop. It is said that 90% of patients would heal if treated early without subjective symptoms. Therefore, regular cancer screening (once every two years) is indispensable.

The City's cervical cancer screening is available from age 20, and the cost subsidy makes it cheaper. We urge you to have an examination.

In addition, infection with HPV (human papillomavirus), the primary cause of cervical cancer, can be prevented by vaccination. Free vaccination is available for girls from the sixth grade of elementary school to the equivalent of the first grade of high school. However, from April, women who missed the chance of vaccination (born between fiscal year 1997 and 2007) can also be vaccinated free of charge. [Inquiries] Community Health Care Division (Tel: 0798-35-3310)

"TANOSHIMIYA NISHINOMIYA" FESTIVAL April 6 (Sat) in Nishinomiyahama General Park



"TANOSHIMIYA NISHINOMIYA" Festival will be held in Nishinomiyahama General Park as a pre-commemoration project for Nishinomiya City's 100th anniversary (2025). There are plenty of events for every adult and kid to enjoy, such as sports events, stage performances and outdoor events. Please check the details on the website. Recreation Plaza

1) City official Instagram follow campaign 10:00am-4:00pm 2) Kitchen car & pop-up store 10:00am-4:00pm *Stores with ties to Nishinomiya open. 3) Kawa-chan (Fish Guy) Talk show & Workshop Talk show: 11:00am, 2:00pm Workshop: 11:40am, 2:40pm *Reservation required. Check the website for details. Commons Sports Square (artificial turf ground) 1) Stage Performance 10:00am-4:00pm 2) Sports Challenge 10:00am-3:00pm 3) Kids Meets Sports 10:00am-3:30pm *Hands-on Sports events by sports experts. *Targets: 4-year-old kids to elementary school students *Reservation required. Check the website for details. Baycom Field (multi-purpose artificial turf ground) 1) Flag football experience 10:00am-4:00pm 2) Soccer Festival 11:00am-3:00pm

EPIC DREAM COURT (Basketball Square)

1) 3X3 basketball 10:00am-4:00pm

Nishinomiyahama BBQ PARK (Day camp Square)

1) Outdoor workshop 11:00am-4:00pm

Lawn Square

1) MOLKKY experience 10:00am-4:00pm



[Inquiries] Nishinomiyahama General Park (Tel: 0798-26-6606)

Related Events

Nishinomiya Hankyu is holding special events on "TANOSHIMIYA NISHINOMIYA" between March 27 (Wed) and April 2 (Tue). Let's celebrate the City's 100th anniversary together.

NISHINOMIYA SAKURA WEEK



As part of "Nishinomiya Sakura Week 2024", the City of Nishinomiya and the Nishinomiya Tourism Association published a booklet that introduces the cherry blossom spots in the City.



Besides being downloadable at the Association website, the booklet is available in the Hanshin Nishinomiya Visitor Center, the City Hall and its branches, community centers, etc.

Sakura Viewing at Shukugawa Riverbank LARGE GATHERING OR BANQUETS ARE PROHIBITED



In the spacious green areas along the Shukugawa Riverbank, adjacent to residential areas where space is limited, please enjoy leisurely cherry blossom viewing activities such as strolling and picnicking, ensuring that many

people can comfortably use the area. Large gatherings or banquets are prohibited. Furthermore, there are no garbage bins in the Shukugawa Riverbank green area. To preserve the scenic beauty of the cherry blossom spots, please remember to take your garbage with you when you leave.

*Large gatherings or banquets:

The act of spreading out a sheet with five or more people (excluding families) and engaging in prolonged eating and drinking involving alcohol

Notes during the cherry blossom viewing period

1) Areas on both sides of the Shukugawa River from Hankyu Shukugawa Station to Oite Bridge, as well as a portion north of Shukugawa Community Center, are adjacent to residential areas. Therefore, night-time cherry blossom viewing (staying) is prohibited from 6:00pm to the following morning.

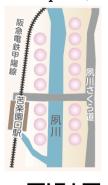
2) During the cherry blossom viewing period from March 25 (Mon) to April 7 (Sun) traffic management will be conducted on Saturdays and Sundays from Hagoromo Bridge to Kohorogi Bridge, with the west side of the Shukugawa Sakura Road directed northward and the east side directed southward in one-way traffic flow.

3) The use of fireworks, reserving spots, and commercial activities are prohibited.



[Inquiries] Parks and Green Areas Management Division (Tel: 0798-35-3611)

SAKURA LIGHT UP KURAKUEN Until April 7 (Sun)



The Nishinomiya Tourism Association and the Kurakuen Stores Meeting will light up the row of cherry trees on both banks of the Shukugawa River near the Hankyu Railway Kurakuen-guchi Station. For details, please check the Association website.

If the cherry blossoms fall during the period, the event will end prior to the end date.

[Light-up date/hours] Until April 7 (Sun), from sunset to 9:00pm

[Inquiries] Nishinomiya Tourism Association (Tel: 0798-31-7821)

CHERRY BLOSSOM PASSAGE From March 27 (Wed) to April 7 (Sun) at Koshimizu-josuijo



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Waterworks bureau is going to open Koshimizu-josuijo to the public for the Cherry Blossom Passage. Please refrain from coming by car, bicycles or bringing pets, and refrain from eating and drinking there.

[Date & Time]

March 27 (Wed) to April 7 (Sun) 10:00am to 4:30pm (9:00am to 5:00pm on Saturdays and Sundays) [Inquiries] Koshimizu-josuijo (Tel: 0798-74-6616)

NISHINOMIYA WATER FESTA

at Koshimizu-josuijo

[Date & Time] March 30 (Sat) 9:00am to 4:30pm [Events]

*Panel exhibition & Quiz rally on waterworks

*First aid water supply experience from a water truck *Comparison of drinking water



[Inquiries] General Affairs Division of Water and Sewerage Services (Tel: 0798-32-8002)