

# Calendar of Events

## July 2021



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### Glossary :

Matsuri	Festival, Event
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### Special Remarks:

Dates and Times are shown as follows which is common in Japan.

Dates : M/D April 3 ⇒ 4/3  
 Time : 24 hours system 8:00am ⇒ 8:00  
 8:00pm ⇒

### Tanabata 七夕

Tanabata, Star Festival is held on July 7 in most parts of Japan or August 7 in some areas. Based on a Chinese folk legend in which two stars - Altair (Cowherd) and Vega (Weaver) - love each other but only allowed to cross the Milky Way to meet once a year on this day. Wishes are written on long colored strips of paper and hung from a bamboo branch with other decorations.

### Ukai 鵜飼

Cormorant fishing, an ancient method of catching Ayu (sweetfish or trout-like fish), handling cormorants. This usually takes place at night under the blazing torches fastened to the prows of fishing boats from May until October.

**The following events are still to be confirmed. (as of Jun.23) Please check the latest information in advance.**

Region	Dates	Pref.	City	Venue	Event	Summary	Access	URL
Tohoku 東北	7/24 ~ 7/26	Fukushima 福島県	Minami-Soma 南相馬市	Minami-Soma 南相馬市	<b>Soma Noma-oi</b> 相馬野馬追	Summary: Wild Horses Chasing with over a 1000-year history, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties. ★The event is not open to the public, but it will be held online this year.★  Schedule & Key events: Please visit the website for the details	-	http://soma-nomaai.jp/
Chubu 中部	6/21 ~ 10/15	Gifu 岐阜県	Gifu 岐阜市	Nagara River 長良川	<b>Nagaragawa Ukai</b> 長良川鵜飼	Summary: Cormorant fishing, an ancient method of catching Ayu (sweetfish or trout-like fish), handling trained cormorants. It will be held every day during the period except on the night of the full moon (9/21 this year) or when the water is excessively muddy. Fee is 3,200 JPY or 3,500 JPY without meal. For reservation, please call 058-262-0104 (Gifu City Ukai Kanransen Jimusho), or reserve through major travel agencies.  Schedule & Key events: ●daily (except 9/21) 19:45-20:30 (Departure time: 18:15, 18:45, 19:15)	JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Gifu Sta. From there, take bus to Nagara-bashi Bus Stop (20 min.)	JR東海道本線岐阜駅よりバスで20分長良橋下車  https://www.ukai-gifucity.jp/ukai/

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Chubu 中部	6/1 ~ 10/15	Aichi 愛知県	Inuyama 犬山市	Kiso River 木曾川	<b>Kisogawa Ukai</b> 木曾川鵜飼	<p>Summary: Cormorant fishing. Fee is 3,000JPY without meal. For reservation, please call 0568-61-2727 (Kisogawa Kanko) or reserve through major travel agencies.</p> <p>Schedule &amp; Key events: ●6/1-8/31 19:30-20:15 ●9/1-10/15 19:00-19:45</p>	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Nagoya Sta. From there, take Meitetsu Inuyama Line to Inuyama-Yuen Sta. (East Exit), and then walk 3 min.	JR東海道新幹線名古屋駅より名鉄犬山線で犬山遊園駅下車(東口)、徒歩3分	<a href="http://kisogawa-ukai.jp/">http://kisogawa-ukai.jp/</a>
Chubu 中部	7/17 ~ 7/18	Shizuoka 静岡県	Mori-machi 森町	Yamana-jinja Shrine and others 山名神社ほか	<b>Yamana-jinja Tenno-sai</b> 山名神社天王祭	<p>Summary: Festival featuring <i>Bugaku</i> (ancient court dance with music) by children and adults in colorful attire, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties.</p> <p>Schedule &amp; Key events: ●daily 16:00- 21:00 Twelve kinds of <i>Bugaku</i> performances on the stage in Maiya Hall of the shrine</p>	JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Fukuroi Sta. From there, take Akiha Bus to Tenno Bus Stop (20 min.)	JR東海道本線袋井駅より秋葉バスで20分天王下車	<a href="https://www.mori-kanko.jp/">https://www.mori-kanko.jp/</a>
Chubu 中部	Mid. Jul ~ Early Sep	Gifu 岐阜県	Hachiman-cho, Gujo 郡上市八幡町	Hachiman-cho, Gujo 郡上市八幡町	<b>Gujo Odori</b> 郡上踊り	<p>Summary: Folk Dance Meet, one of the most popular folk dancing events. ★The event at the site has been cancelled, but it will be held online this year.★</p> <p>Schedule &amp; Key events: Please visit the website for the details</p>	-	-	<a href="http://www.gujohachiman.com/kanko/">http://www.gujohachiman.com/kanko/</a>
Chubu 中部	7/20 ~ 8/19	Yamanashi 山梨県	Fuefuki 笛吹市	Fuefuki River 笛吹川	<b>Fuefukigawa Isawa Ukai</b> 笛吹川石和鵜飼	<p>Summary: Cormorant fishing. Admission is free.</p> <p>Schedule &amp; Key events: ●every Thu. and Sun. 20:00-20:50 <i>Ukai</i> on Fuefuki River</p>	JR Chuo Honsen Line to Isawa-Onsen Sta., and then walk 20 min.	JR中央本線石和温泉駅より徒歩20分	<a href="https://www.isawa-kankou.org/">https://www.isawa-kankou.org/</a>

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Hokuriku 北陸	7/24 ~ 7/25	Niigata 新潟県	Aikawa Hanedamachi, Sado 佐渡市 相川羽田町	Aikawa Hanedamachi, Sado 佐渡市 相川羽田町	<b>Kozan Matsuri</b> 鉾山祭	Summary: Gold Mine Festival. The town was once a gold mining town in feudal days.  Schedule & Key events: Details are still to be arranged	JR Joetsu Shinkansen Line to Niigata Sta. From there, take bus to Niigata Port - Sado-Kisen (15min.), and change to Jetfoil to Ryotsu Port in Sado Island (1h.), and then take bus to Aikawa Bus Stop (50 min.)	JR上越新幹線新潟駅よりバスで15分新潟港佐渡汽船乗場下車、ジェットホイルに乗り換え1時間両津港下船、バスで50分相川下車	<a href="https://www.visitsado.com/event/3542/">https://www.visitsado.com/event/3542/</a>
Kinki 近畿	7/1 ~ 9/23	Kyoto 京都府	Ukyo-ku, Nishikyoku, Kyoto 京都市 右京区、 西京区	Oi River 大堰川	<b>Arashiyama Ukai</b> 嵐山鶺鴒	Summary: Cormorant fishing. Fee is 2,000JPY without meal. Tickets are put on sale on the day from 18:00. No reservation is necessary unless you charter a boat for a group.  Schedule & Key events: ●7/1-8/31 (except 8/16) 19:00-, 20:00- ●9/1-9/23 18:30-, 19:30-	(1) Keifuku Arashiyama Honsen Line to Arashiyama Sta., and then walk 10 min. (2) Hankyu Arashiyama Line to Arashiyama Sta., and then walk 15 min. (3) JR Sagano Line to Saga-Arashiyama Sta., and then walk 15 min.	(1) 京福嵐山本線嵐山駅より徒歩10分 (2) 阪急嵐山線嵐山駅より徒歩15分 (3) JR嵯峨野線嵯峨嵐山駅より徒歩15分	<a href="https://arashiyama-yakatabune.com/">https://arashiyama-yakatabune.com/</a>
Kinki 近畿	7/1 ~ 9/30	Kyoto 京都府	Uji 宇治	Uji River 宇治川	<b>Ujigawa Ukai</b> 宇治川鶺鴒	Summary: Cormorant fishing. Fee is 2,000JPY (child 1,000JPY) without meal. Tickets are put on sale on the day from 17:00. No reservation is necessary unless you charter a boat for a group.  Schedule & Key events: ●7/1-8/31 18:30-20:00 ●9/1-9/30 18:00-19:30	(1) Keihan Uji Line to Uji Sta., and then walk 10 min. (2) JR Nara Line to Uji Sta., and then walk 15 min.	(1) 京阪宇治線宇治駅より徒歩10分 (2) JR奈良線宇治駅より徒歩15分	<a href="http://www.kyoto-ujikankou.or.jp/ukai.html">http://www.kyoto-ujikankou.or.jp/ukai.html</a>

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Kinki 近畿	7/7	Nara 奈良県	Yoshino-cho 吉野町	Zao-do Temple (Kimpusen-ji Temple on Mt. Yoshino) 蔵王堂 (吉野山金峯山寺)	<b>Renge-e (Kaeru-tobi Gyoji)</b> 蓮華会 (蛙跳び行事)	Summary: Religious lesson of story-telling. One of the biggest events of the temple. The ritual of <i>Renge-e</i> , in which parishioners on the boats pick up lotus flowers and donate them to each temple. The ritual of <i>Kaeru-tobi</i> , in which the frog pantomimes the story of the impious local man who was transformed into a frog and then transformed back to a human being thanks to the Buddhist Sutra cited by a pious priest.  Schedule & Key events: 16:00- Ritual of <i>Renge-e</i> and <i>Kaeru-tobi</i> at Zao-do Temple	(1) JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line to Kyoto Sta. From there, take Kintetsu Kashihara Line to Kashihara Jingu-mae Sta., and change to Kintetsu Yoshino Line to Yoshino Sta. (2) JR Nara Line to Nara Sta. From there, take Kintetsu Nara Line to Yamato-Saidaiji Sta., and change to Kintetsu Kashihara Line to Kashihara Jingu-mae Sta., and change to Kintetsu Yoshino Line to Yoshino Sta.  From Yoshino Sta., take ropeway to Sanjo Sta. (3 min.), and then walk 10 min.	(1) JR東海道新幹線京都駅より近鉄橿原線で橿原神宮前駅にて近鉄吉野線に乗り換え吉野駅下車 (2) JR奈良線奈良駅より近鉄奈良線で大和西大寺駅にて近鉄橿原線に乗り換え橿原神宮前駅にて近鉄吉野線に乗り換え吉野駅下車  吉野駅よりロープウェイで3分山上駅下車、徒歩10分	<a href="http://www.kinpusen.or.jp">http://www.kinpusen.or.jp</a>
Kyushu 九州	7/1 ~ 7/15	Fukuoka 福岡県	Fukuoka 福岡市	Kushida-jinja Shrine and others 櫛田神社ほか	<b>Hakata Gion Yamakasa (Kazari Yamakasa)</b> 博多祇園山笠 (飾り山笠)	Summary: Festival of the shrine, registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. <i>Yamakasa</i> (gorgeously decorated floats topped with elaborate decorations including miniature castles, flowers and historical heroes' dolls) are on display at 12 different places in the city during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: daytime	Kushida-jinja Shrine: JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hakata Sta. From there, take Kuko Subway Line to Gion Sta., and then walk 5 min.	櫛田神社: JR山陽新幹線博多駅より地下鉄空港線で祇園駅下車、徒歩5分	<a href="https://www.hakatayamakasa.com/">https://www.hakatayamakasa.com/</a>

**The following events have been cancelled or postponed. (as of Jun.23)**

Tohoku 東北	-	Miyagi 宮城県	Shiogama 塩釜市	Shiogama-jinja Shrine, Shiwahiko-jinja Shrine and others 塩釜神社、志波彦神社ほか	<b>Shiogama Minato Matsuri</b> 塩竈みなと祭	Summary: Port Festival featuring a parade of two giant <i>Mikoshi</i> of the shrines.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Senseki Line to Hon-Shiogama Sta., and then walk 10 min.	JR仙石線本塩釜駅より徒歩10分	<a href="http://kanko-ubussan.shiogama.miyagi.jp/news/news/">http://kanko-ubussan.shiogama.miyagi.jp/news/news/</a>
Tohoku 東北	-	Fukushima 福島県	Tajima, Minamiaizu-machi 南会津町 田島	Tadeuga-jinja Shrine, Kumano-jinja Shrine and others 田出宇賀神社、熊野神社ほか	<b>Aizu-Tajima Gion Matsuri (Nanahokai-Gyoretsu)</b> 会津田島祇園祭 (七行器行列)	Summary: Festival of the shrines, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	From Tobu Asakusa Sta., take Tobu Isesaki Line to Aizu Tajima Sta. (via Yagan Railway Aizu-Kinugawa Line and Aizu Tetsudo Line)	東武浅草駅より東武伊勢崎線で野岩鉄道会津鬼怒川線、会津鉄道線經由会津田島駅下車	<a href="https://www.kanko-aizu.com/">https://www.kanko-aizu.com/</a>

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Tohoku 東北	-	Aomori 青森県	Kuroishi 黒石市	Kuroishi 黒石市	<b>Kuroishi Neputa Matsuri</b> 黒石ねぶた祭り	Summary: Festival of <i>Neputa</i> featuring a huge papier-mache or a fan-shaped lantern with effigies of legendary heroes painted on it. The highlight of this festival is a parade of about 50 carriages of lighted <i>Neputa</i> pulled on the main street accompanied with the sound of drums and flutes.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) JR Tohoku Shinkansen Line to Shin-Aomori Sta. (South Exit) From there, take Konan bus to Kuroishi Eki-mae Bus Stop (60 min.), and then walk 10 min. (2) JR Ou Honsen Line to Hirosaki Sta. From there, take Konan Railway Konan Line to Kuroishi Sta., and then walk 10 min.	(1) JR東北新幹線新青森駅(南口)より弘南バスで黒石駅前下車(60分)、徒歩10分 (2) JR奥羽本線弘前駅より弘南鉄道弘南線で黒石駅下車、徒歩10分	<a href="https://kuroishi.or.jp/">https://kuroishi.or.jp/</a>
Tohoku 東北	-	Aomori 青森県	Hachinohe 八戸市	Ogami-jinja Shrine, Chojoan Shinra-jinja Shrine, Shinmei-gu Shrine and others おがみ神社、長者山新羅神社、神明宮ほか	<b>Hachinohe Sansha Taisai</b> 八戸三社大祭	Summary: Gorgeous festival of <i>Sansha</i> (three Shrines; Ogami-jinja Shrine, Chojoan Shinra-jinja Shrine and Shinmei-gu Shrine), designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. Many events are scheduled during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Tohoku Shinkansen Line to Hachinohe Sta. From there, take JR Hachinohe Line to Hon-Hachinohe Sta., and then walk 10 min.	JR東北新幹線八戸駅よりJR八戸線で本八戸駅下車、徒歩10分	<a href="https://visitachinohe.com/stories/sanshataisai_schedule/">https://visitachinohe.com/stories/sanshataisai_schedule/</a>
Chubu 中部	-	Shizuoka 静岡県	Arai-cho, Kosai 湖西市 新居町	Arai Elementary School, Arai Junior High School 新居小学校、 新居中学校	<b>Enshu Arai-no Tezutsu Hanabi</b> 遠州新居の手筒花火	Summary: Fireworks Display, characterized by the pillars of fire, rising fire exceeding 20 meters up in the air, gushing out of cylinders held in the arms of young men.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Araimachi Sta. (South Exit), and then (1) Arai Elementary School: walk 15 min. (2) Arai Junior High School: walk 25 min.	JR東海道本線新居町駅(南口)より (1) 新居小学校: 徒歩15分 (2) 新居中学校: 徒歩25分	<a href="https://www.city.kosai.shizuoka.jp/kanko_bunka_sports/eventjoho/7943.html">https://www.city.kosai.shizuoka.jp/kanko_bunka_sports/eventjoho/7943.html</a>
Chubu 中部	-	Aichi 愛知県	Tsushima 津島市	Tsushima-jinja Shrine, Tenno-gawa Park 津島神社、 天王川公園	<b>Owari Tsushima Tenno Matsuri</b> 尾張津島天王まつり	Summary: Festival of the shrine, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO, and highlighted by two parades of boats, <i>Makiwara-bune</i> boats decorated with hundreds of lighted lanterns under the fireworks display and <i>Danjiri-bune</i> boats with a doll of <i>Noh</i> (traditional masked drama) play's character each placed atop, on the pond in Tenno-gawa Park. Many events are scheduled during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Kansai Honsen Line to Yatomi Sta. From there, take Meitetsu Bisai Line to Tsushima Sta., and then walk 20 min.	JR関西本線弥富駅より名鉄尾西線で津島駅下車、徒歩20分	<a href="https://tsushima-kankou.com/">https://tsushima-kankou.com/</a>
Hokuriku 北陸	-	Niigata 新潟県	Murakami 村上市	Haguro-jinja Shrine and others 羽黒神社ほか	<b>Murakami Taisai</b> 村上大祭	Summary: Festival of the shrine, featuring a parade of three <i>Mikoshi</i> and 19 <i>Oshagiri</i> (beautifully sculptured and lacquered floats) following children in traditional attire.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Uetsu Honsen Line to Murakami Sta., and then walk 20 min.	JR羽越本線村上駅より徒歩20分	<a href="https://www.sake3.com/">https://www.sake3.com/</a>

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Hokuriku 北陸	-	Niigata 新潟県	Joetsu 上越市	Takada district, Naoetsu district, Seki River 高田地区、 直江津地区、 関川	<b>Joetsu Matsuri</b> 上越まつり	Summary: Festival featuring a parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> , floats and folk dancers, held daily. The highlight of this festival is <i>Mikoshi-no-Kawakudari</i> in which <i>Mikoshi</i> is crossed over Seki River with a boat from Takada district to Naoetsu district. Many events are scheduled during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Hokuriku Shinkansen Line to Joetsumiyoko Sta. From there, take Echigo Tokimeki Railway Myoko Haneuma Line to  (1) Takada District: Takada Sta. (2) Naoetsu District: Naoetsu Sta.	JR北陸新幹線上越妙高駅よりえちごトキめき鉄道妙高はなまラインで (1) 高田地区: 高田駅下車 (2) 直江津地区: 直江津駅下車	<a href="https://joetsukankonavi.jp/joetsumatsuri/index.php">https://joetsukankonavi.jp/joetsumatsuri/index.php</a>
Hokuriku 北陸	-	Niigata 新潟県	Yahiko-mura 弥彦村	Yahiko-jinja Shrine, Mt. Yahiko, Yahiko Park and others 弥彦神社、 弥彦山、 弥彦公園ほか	<b>Yahiko Toro Matsuri</b> 弥彦燈籠まつり	Summary: Lantern Festival, with a 1,000-year history and designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties. The highlight of this festival is a procession of <i>Mikoshi</i> , floats decorated with lots of lanterns, and hundreds people holding lanterns each.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Joetsu Shinkansen Line to Tsubamesanjo Sta. From there, take JR Yahiko Line to Yahiko Sta., and then walk 10 min.	JR上越新幹線燕三条駅よりJR弥彦線で弥彦駅下車、徒歩10分	<a href="https://www.yahiko.com/">https://www.yahiko.com/</a>
Kinki 近畿	-	Kyoto 京都府	Kamigyoku, Kyoto 京都市 上京区	Shiramine-jingu Shrine 白峯神宮	<b>Sei Daimyojin Reisai (Kemari-hono)</b> 精大明神例祭 (蹴鞠奉納)	Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine, highlighted by a game of <i>Kemari</i> , played by the shrine priests, who loft a small ball with their insteps.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) From JR Kyoto Sta., take municipal bus No. 9 to Horikawa Imadegawa Bus Stop (2) Karasuma Subway Line to Imadegawa Sta. (Exit 4), and then walk 8 min.	(1) JR京都駅より市バスNo. 9で堀川今出川下車 (2) 地下鉄烏丸線今出川駅(4番出口)より徒歩8分	<a href="http://shiraminejingu.or.jp/">http://shiraminejingu.or.jp/</a>
Kinki 近畿	-	Kyoto 京都府	Kyoto 京都市	Yasaka-jinja Shrine, Shijo-Karasuma Area and others 八坂神社、 四条烏丸界隈ほか	<b>Gion Matsuri (Yama-hoko-Junko)</b> 祇園祭 (山鉾巡行)	Summary: Festival, originating in 869, is counted as one of the three grandest festivals in Japan, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. The festival actually lasts for one month in July, and has its two highlights; Saki-Matsuri and Ato-Matsuri.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) Karasuma Subway Line to Shijo Sta. (2) Hankyu Kyoto Line to Karasuma Sta.	(1) 地下鉄烏丸線四条駅下車 (2) 阪急京都線烏丸駅下車	<a href="http://www.gionmatsuri.or.jp/">http://www.gionmatsuri.or.jp/</a>
Kinki 近畿	-	Osaka 大阪府	Kita-ku, Osaka 大阪市 北区	Osaka Tenman-gu Shrine, Tenjinbashi Bridge, Okawa River and others 大阪天満宮、 天神橋、 大川ほか	<b>Tenjin Matsuri (Horen Togyo)</b> 天神祭 (鳳輦渡御)	Summary: Festival, with over a 1,000-year history, counted as one of the three grandest festivals in Japan. This festival features <i>Horen</i> on the sacred boat, going upstream on Okawa River, followed by a fleet of a hundred of boats decorated with lighted lanterns.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Osaka Tenman-gu Shrine : (1) Tanimachi Subway Line to Minami-Morimachi Sta. (Exit 4), and then walk 5 min. (2) JR Tozai Line to Osaka Tenmangu Sta. (Exit 3), and then walk 5 min.	大阪天満宮 : (1) 地下鉄谷町線南森町駅(4番出口)より徒歩5分 (2) JR東西線大阪天満宮駅(3番出口)より徒歩5分	<a href="https://osakatemmangu.or.jp/">https://osakatemmangu.or.jp/</a>
Kinki 近畿	-	Wakayama 和歌山県	Tanabe 田辺市	Tokei-jinja Shrine, Aizubashi bridge and others 鬮鷄神社、 会津橋ほか	<b>Tanabe Matsuri</b> 田辺祭	Summary: Festival with a 450-year history and noted for its <i>Okasa</i> . The highlight of this festival is a parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> , three decorated horses, townspeople in traditional attire and eight <i>Okasa</i> .  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Tokei-jinja Shrine: JR Kisei Honsen Line to Ki-Tanabe Sta., and then walk 5 min.	鬮鷄神社: JR紀勢本線紀伊田辺駅より徒歩5分	<a href="http://www.tanabekanko.jp/">http://www.tanabekanko.jp/</a>

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Chugoku 中国	-	Hiroshima 広島県	Miyajima-cho, Hatsukaichi 廿日市市 宮島町	Itsukushima-jinja Shrine, Jigozen-jinja Shrine and others 厳島神社、 地御前神社ほか	<b>Kangen-sai (Goza-bune Togyo)</b> 管絃祭 (御座船渡御)	Summary: Court Music Festival.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) JR Sanyo Honsen Line to Miyajima-guchi Sta., and then walk 5 min. to Miyajima-guchi Pier. From there, take ferryboat to Miyajima Pier (10 min.), and then walk 10 min. (2) JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Hiroshima Sta., and then take streetcar or bus to Hiroshima Ujina Port (30 min.) From there, take hydrofoil to Miyajima Pier (22 min.), and then walk 10 min.	(1) JR山陽本線宮島口駅より徒歩5分の宮島口棧橋からフェリーで10分宮島棧橋下船、徒歩10分 (2) JR山陽新幹線広島駅より市電又はバスで30分広島宇品港下車、高速船で22分宮島棧橋下船、徒歩10分	<a href="http://www.miyajima.or.jp/event/event_kangen.html">http://www.miyajima.or.jp/event/event_kangen.html</a>
Chugoku 中国	-	Yamaguchi 山口県	Yamaguchi 山口市	Yasaka-jinja Shrine and others 八坂神社ほか	<b>Yamaguchi Gion Matsuri (Goshin-ko Gyoretsu)</b> 山口祇園祭 (御神幸行列)	Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine. The highlight of this festival is " <i>So-odori Yamaguchi Minakoi Nonta</i> ", a folk dancing parade of about 1,500 people in tune with the merry music through the city. Many events are scheduled during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Yasaka-jinja Shrine: JR Yamaguchi Line to Kami-Yamaguchi Sta., and then walk 15 min.	八坂神社: JR山口線上山口駅より徒歩15分	<a href="http://www.oidemase.or.jp/tourism-information/spots/12271">http://www.oidemase.or.jp/tourism-information/spots/12271</a>
Shikoku 四国	-	Ehime 愛媛県	Uwajima 宇和島市	Warei-jinja Shrine, Togyu-jo (Bull ring), Suka River and others 和霊神社、 闘牛場、 須賀川ほか	<b>Uwajima Ushi-Oni Matsuri</b> うわじま牛鬼まつり	Summary: One of the biggest summer festival in Shikoku region. Festival comes its climax when three <i>Mikoshi</i> on the boat are carried on the sea and <i>Hashirikomi</i> (men scramble for catching sacred white strips of paper hanging from a tall bamboo pole standing at the center of the river) is held at the center of Suka river.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Warei-jinja Shrine: JR Yosano Line to Uwajima Sta., and then walk 8 min.	和霊神社: JR予讃線宇和島駅より徒歩8分	<a href="https://ushioni.gaini.ne.jp/">https://ushioni.gaini.ne.jp/</a>
Kyushu 九州	-	Fukuoka 福岡県	Kokura, Kita-Kyushu 北九州市 小倉	Kokura Castle Otemon-mae Hiroba, Komoji-dori Street and others 小倉城大手門前広場、 小文字通りほか	<b>Kokura Gion Daiko</b> 小倉祇園太鼓	Summary: Drumming Festival. Each town in the city has its own drums, which are beaten by the townspeople going through the neighborhoods during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Sanyo Shinkansen Line to Kokura Sta., and then walk 15 min.	JR山陽新幹線小倉駅より徒歩15分	<a href="http://kokuragiondaiko.jp/">http://kokuragiondaiko.jp/</a>
Kyushu 九州	-	Fukuoka 福岡県	Tobata, Kita-Kyushu 北九州市 戸畑	Tobihata Hachiman-gu Shrine, Sugawara-jinja Shrine, Nakabaru Hachiman-gu Shrine, Tobata Ward Office and others 飛幡八幡宮、 菅原神社、 中原八幡宮、 戸畑区役所ほか	<b>Tobata Gion Oyamagasa</b> 戸畑祇園大山笠	Summary: Festival of the shrines, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. It features a parade of <i>Yamagasa</i> (huge magnificence eight floats each shaped like a pyramid decorated with hundreds of lighted lanterns) carried by townspeople through the city daily during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Tobata Ward Office : JR Kagoshima Honsen Line to Tobata Sta., and then walk 20 min.	戸畑区役所 : JR鹿児島本線戸畑駅より徒歩20分	<a href="http://tobatagion.jp/">http://tobatagion.jp/</a>
Kyushu 九州	-	Nagasaki 長崎県	Nagasaki 長崎市	Matsugae Kokusai Kanko Pier of Nagasaki Port 長崎港松ヶ枝 国際観光埠頭	<b>Nagasaki Peron Senshuku Taikai</b> 長崎ペーロン選手権大会	Summary: Boat Race of ancient-Chinese-style boats.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Nagasaki Honsen Line to Nagasaki Sta. From there, take streetcar to Oura Kaigandori, and then walk 3 min.	JR長崎本線長崎駅より市電で大浦海岸通下車、徒歩3分	<a href="https://www.at-nagasaki.jp/event/51801/">https://www.at-nagasaki.jp/event/51801/</a>

## Calendar of Events July 2021



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**Glossary :**

Asagao	Morning glory
Matsuri	Festival, Event
Toro-nagashi	Floating lighted lanterns on the water

<b>Special Remarks:</b>	
Dates and Times are shown as follows which is common in Japan.	
Dates : M/D	April 3 ⇒ 4/3
Time : 24 hours system	8:00am ⇒ 8:00
	8:00pm ⇒ 20:00

**Tanabata 七夕**  
 Tanabata, Star Festival is held on July 7 in most parts of Japan or August 7 in some areas. Based on a Chinese folk legend in which two stars - Altair (Cowherd) and Vega (Weaver) - love each other but only allowed to cross the Milky Way to meet once a year on this day. Wishes are written on long colored strips of paper and hung from a bamboo branch with other decorations.

**The following events are still to be confirmed. (as of Jun.23) Please check the latest information in advance.**

Region	Dates	Pref.	City	Venue	Event	Summary	Access	URL	
Tokyo 東京	7/13 ~ 7/18	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Yasukuni-jinja Shrine 靖国神社	<b>Mitama Matsuri</b> みたままつり	Summary: Soul Festival of the shrine, associated with "Buddhist Bon Festival". Over 30,000 lanterns are lit up along the approach to the shrine. Traditional performances and open-air stalls have been cancelled this year.  Schedule & Key events: ● daily evening - 21:00      Lanterns are lit up	Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, Z06, S05)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ東西線、半蔵門線又は都営地下鉄新宿線九段下駅(1番出口)より徒歩5分	<a href="https://www.yasukuni.or.jp/news_detail.html?id=337">https://www.yasukuni.or.jp/news_detail.html?id=337</a>
Tokyo 東京	7/17 ~ 8/1	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Shinobazu Pond and others 不忍池周辺ほか	<b>Ueno Natsu Matsuri</b> うえの夏まつり	Summary: Summer Festival. <i>Kotto Ichi</i> (antique fair) and stage performances are scheduled during the festival period. Parade has been cancelled this year.  Schedule & Key events: <i>Kotto Ichi</i> , Stage performances at Suijo music hall	JR Yamanote Line, Tokyo Metro Ginza or Hibiya Line to Ueno Sta. (G16, H18), and then walk 2 min.	JR山手線、東京メトロ銀座線又は日比谷線上野駅より徒歩2分	<a href="https://ueno.or.jp/">https://ueno.or.jp/</a>



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Tokyo 東京	7/18 ~ 7/20	Tokyo 東京都	Fuchu 府中市	Okunitama-jinja Shrine 大国魂神社	<b>Karasu Uchiwa Hampu (Sumomo Matsuri)</b> からす団扇頒布 (ずもも祭)	Summary: <i>Sumomo</i> (plum) Festival. Crow-pattern <i>Uchiwa</i> fans are sold. (It is said that a crow drove away evil in the past.) Open-air stalls have been cancelled this year.  Schedule & Key events: ●7/18-19 9:00-17:00 ●7/20 6:00-19:00	(1) Keio Line to Fuchu Sta. (South Exit), and then walk 5 min. (2) JR Nambu or Musashino Line to Fuchu-Hommachi Sta., and then walk 5 min.	(1) 京王線府中駅(南口)より徒歩5分 (2) JR南武線又は武蔵野線府中本町駅より徒歩5分	<a href="https://www.okunitamajinja.or.jp/">https://www.okunitamajinja.or.jp/</a>
Tokyo 東京	7/25 ~ 8/1	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Yasukuni-jinja Shrine 靖国神社	<b>Hono Asagao-ten</b> 奉納あさがお展	Summary: <i>Asagao</i> Fair. Flowers are in bloom usually in the morning.  Schedule & Key events: Details are still to be arranged	Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, Z06, S05)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ東西線、半蔵門線又は都営地下鉄新宿線九段下駅(1番出口)より徒歩5分	<a href="https://www.yasukuni.or.jp/schedule/saiji.html">https://www.yasukuni.or.jp/schedule/saiji.html</a>
Tokyo 東京	7/28 ~ 8/3	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Hibiya Park 日比谷公園	<b>Asagao-ten</b> 朝顔展	Summary: <i>Asagao</i> Fair. Flowers are in bloom usually in the morning.  Schedule & Key events: ●daily 8:00-11:30	(1) Tokyo Metro Hibiya, Chiyoda Line or Toei Mita Subway Line to Hibiya Sta. (H08, C09, I08) (Exit A10, A14), and then walk 4 min. (2) JR Yamanote Line to Yurakucho Sta.(Hibiya Exit), and then walk 8 min.	(1) 東京メトロ日比谷線、千代田線又は都営地下鉄三田線日比谷駅(A10・A14出口)より徒歩4分 (2) JR山手線有楽町駅(日比谷口)より徒歩8分	<a href="http://henkaasagao.tumabeni.com/tenjikai.html">http://henkaasagao.tumabeni.com/tenjikai.html</a>
Kanto 関東	7/31	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Hakone-machi 箱根町	Lake Ashinoko 芦ノ湖	<b>Ashinoko Kosui Matsuri</b> 芦ノ湖湖水まつり	Summary: <i>Toro-nagashi</i> and Fireworks Display over Lake Ashinoko, following the Shinto rites conducted by the Hakone-jinja Shrine's priests on the boats.  Schedule & Key events: Details are still to be arranged	JR Tokaido Shinkansen Line or Odakyu Odawara Line to Odawara Sta. From there, take bus to Moto-Hakone-ko Bus Stop (1 hr.)	JR東海道新幹線又は小田急小田原線小田原駅よりバスで1時間元箱根港下車	<a href="https://www.hakone.or.jp/">https://www.hakone.or.jp/</a>

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Kanto 関東	Late July	Saitama 埼玉県	Saitama さいたま市	around Owada Park 大和田公園周辺	<b>Saitama-shi Hanabi Taikai</b> さいたま市花火大会	Summary: Fireworks Display around Owada Park.  Schedule & Key events: Details are still to be arranged	Tobu Noda Line to Omiya Koen Sta. or Owada Sta., and then walk 15 min.  東武野田線大宮公園駅又は大和田駅より徒歩15分	<a href="https://www.stib.jp/">https://www.stib.jp/</a>

**The following events have been cancelled or postponed. (as of Jun.23)**

Tokyo 東京	-	Tokyo 東京都	Toshima-ku 豊島区	Kishimojin Temple 鬼子母神	<b>Kishimojin-no- Natsu Ichi</b> 鬼子母神の夏市	Summary: <i>Asagao</i> Fair. Stalls selling potted morning glories, wind-bells, gold fishes and others are set up in the precincts of the temple.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) Toei Streetcar Arakawa Line to Kishibojim-mae Sta. (2) Tokyo Metro Fukutoshin Line to Zoshigaya Sta. (F10)(Exit 1), and then walk 5 min. (3) JR Yamanote Line to Ikebukuro Sta. (East Exit), and then walk 15 min.	(1) 都電荒川線鬼子母神前駅下車 (2) 東京メトロ副都心線雑司が谷駅(1番出口)より徒歩5分 (3) JR山手線池袋駅(東口)より徒歩15分	<a href="https://www.kishimojin.jp/index.html">https://www.kishimojin.jp/index.html</a>
Tokyo 東京	-	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Iriya Kishimojin Temple (Shingen-ji Temple), Kototoi-dori Street 入谷鬼子母神 (真源寺)、 言問通り	<b>Iriya Asagao Matsuri</b> 入谷朝顔まつり	Summary: <i>Asagao</i> Fair. Around 60 stalls selling potted morning glories and 100 open-air stalls are set up in the precincts of the temple and on Kototoi-dori Street.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) Tokyo Metro Hibiya Line to Iriya Sta. (H18), and then walk 1 min. (2) JR Yamanote or Keihin Tohoku Line to Uguisudani Sta. (South Exit), and then walk 3 min.	(1) 東京メトロ日比谷線入谷駅より徒歩1分 (2) JR山手線又は京浜東北線鶯谷駅(南口)より徒歩3分	<a href="https://www.asagao-maturi.com/">https://www.asagao-maturi.com/</a>
Tokyo 東京	-	Tokyo 東京都	Taito-ku 台東区	Senso-ji Temple 浅草寺	<b>Hozuki Ichi</b> ほおずき市	Summary: <i>Hozuki</i> (ground cherry) Fair. Around 100 stalls selling ground cherries and wind-bells are set up in the precincts of the temple.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Tokyo Metro Ginza Line or Toei Asakusa Subway Line to Asakusa Sta. (G19, A18), and then walk 5 min.	東京メトロ銀座線又は都営地下鉄浅草線浅草駅より徒歩5分	<a href="http://www.senso-ji.jp/annual_event/13.html">http://www.senso-ji.jp/annual_event/13.html</a>
Tokyo 東京	-	Tokyo 東京都	Ota-ku 大田区	Gonsho-ji Temple 厳正寺	<b>Mizudome-no- mai</b> 水止舞	Summary: Dance of three <i>Shishi</i> lions and two dragons to pray for rain to stop. As people in this area suffered a catastrophic flood in the old times, this event came into being.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Keikyu Line to Omorimachi Sta., and then walk 8 min.	京急線大森町駅より徒歩8分	<a href="https://www.mizudome.com/">https://www.mizudome.com/</a>

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Tokyo 東京	-	Tokyo 東京都	Shinjuku-ku 新宿区	Bishamonzen Zenkoku-ji Temple, Kagurazaka-dori Street 毘沙門天善国寺、 神楽坂通り	<b>Kagurazaka Matsuri</b> 神楽坂まつり	Summary: Summer Festival of the area. The festival features <i>Hozuki</i> (ground cherry) Fair and <i>Awa Odori</i> folk dancing performed by townspeople in <i>Yukata</i> (cotton <i>Kimono</i> ).  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) Tokyo Metro Yurakucho, Tozai, Namboku Line or Toei Oedo Subway Line to Iidabashi Sta. (Y13, T06, N10, E06)(Exit B3) (2) JR Sobu Line to Iidabashi Sta. (West Exit), and then walk 1 min.  (1) 東京メトロ有楽町線、東西線、南北線又は都営地下鉄大江戸線飯田橋駅 (B3出口) 下車 (2) JR総武線飯田橋駅 (西口) より徒歩1分	<a href="http://www.kagurazaka.in/">http://www.kagurazaka.in/</a>
Tokyo 東京	-	Tokyo 東京都	Chiyoda-ku 千代田区	Chidorigafuchi Park 千鳥ヶ淵公園	<b>Noryo-no-Yube</b> 納涼の夕べ	Summary: <i>Toro-nagashi</i> in the moat at Chidorigafuchi Park. If it rains, the event will be postponed to next day.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Tokyo Metro Tozai, Hanzomon Line or Toei Shinjuku Subway Line to Kudanshita Sta. (T07, Z06, S05)(Exit 2), and then walk 10 min.  東京メトロ東西線、半蔵門線又は都営地下鉄新宿線九段下駅 (2番出口) より徒歩10分	<a href="https://visit-chiyoda.tokyo/">https://visit-chiyoda.tokyo/</a>
Kanto 関東	-	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Hiratsuka 平塚市	Shopping streets around JR Hiratsuka Sta. JR平塚駅周辺商店街	<b>Shonan Hiratsuka Tanabata Matsuri Parade</b> 湘南ひらつか七夕まつりパレード	Summary: Star Festival of the area. Various events are scheduled during the festival period.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Tokaido Honsen Line to Hiratsuka Sta. (North Exit), and then walk 2 min.  JR東海道本線平塚駅 (北口) より徒歩2分	<a href="http://www.tanabata-hiratsuka.com/">http://www.tanabata-hiratsuka.com/</a>
Kanto 関東	-	Chiba 千葉県	Narita 成田市	Naritasan Shinsho-ji Temple and others 成田山新勝寺ほか	<b>Narita Gion Matsuri</b> 成田祇園祭	Summary: Annual Festival of the temple with a history of 300 years featuring <i>Soodori</i> (folk music and dancing performed on the floats) and <i>Sobiki</i> (a parade of 10 floats and <i>Mikoshi</i> ).  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Naritasan Shinsho-ji Temple : (1) JR Sobu Honsen Line Rapid Train (for Narita Airport) to Narita Sta., and then walk 10 min. (2) Keisei Line to Keisei-Narita Sta., and then walk 10 min.  成田山新勝寺 : (1) JR総武本線快速 (成田空港行) で成田駅下車、徒歩10分 (2) 京成線京成成田駅より徒歩10分	<a href="https://www.nrtk.jp/top.html">https://www.nrtk.jp/top.html</a>
Kanto 関東	-	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Kamakura 鎌倉市	Zaimokuza Beach, Yuigahama Beach 材木座海岸、 由比が浜海岸	<b>Kamakura Hanabi Taikai</b> 鎌倉花火大会	Summary: Fireworks Display with about 2,500 fireworks at two beaches. Depend on the weather conditions, the event will be canceled.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Yokosuka Line to Kamakura Sta., and then walk 15 min.  JR横須賀線鎌倉駅より徒歩15分	<a href="https://www.trip-kamakura.com/">https://www.trip-kamakura.com/</a>
Kanto 関東	-	Chiba 千葉県	Katori 香取市	Yasaka-jinja Shrine and others 八坂神社ほか	<b>Sawara-no-Taisai Natsu Matsuri</b> 佐原の大祭夏祭り	Summary: Summer Festival of the shrine, designated as one of the National Important Intangible Folk Cultural Properties, and registered as the Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. The highlight of this festival is a parade of 10 beautiful floats topped with large-size dolls modeled after historical figures, birds, beasts and others to the tune of festival music on the main streets of the city.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Narita Line to Sawara Sta., and then walk 10 min.  JR成田線佐原駅より徒歩10分	<a href="https://www.city.katori.lg.jp/sightseeing/matsuri/">https://www.city.katori.lg.jp/sightseeing/matsuri/</a>

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Kanto 関東	-	Kanagawa 神奈川県	Fujisawa 藤沢市	Yasaka-jinja Shrine (Enoshima-jinja Shrine), Koyurugi-jinja Shrine and others 八坂神社 (江ノ島神社)、小動神社ほか	<b>Enoshima Tenno-sai (Mikoshi Kaijo Togyo)</b> 江ノ島天王祭 (神輿海上渡御)	Summary: Annual Festival of two shrines. The main event is a parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> between Enoshima-jinja Shrine on Enoshima Island and Koyurugi-jinja Shrine on the opposite side of the land. <i>Mikoshi</i> of Enoshima-jinja Shrine is carried into the sea of Enoshima. The scene of the youths jostling one another in the sea is always a vigorous and magnificent sight to behold. After that, it joins another parade of <i>Mikoshi</i> and they are carried to Koyurugi-jinja Shrine together.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	Enoshima-jinja Shrine : (1) Odakyu Enoshima Line to Katase-Enoshima Sta., and then walk 15 min. (2) Enoshima Dentetsu (Enoden) Line to Enoshima Sta., and then walk 20 min.	江ノ島神社 : (1) 小田急江ノ島線片瀬江ノ島駅より徒歩15分 (2) 江ノ島電鉄線 (江ノ電) 江ノ島駅より徒歩20分	<a href="http://enoshimajinja.or.jp/">http://enoshimajinja.or.jp/</a>
Kanto 関東	-	Saitama 埼玉県	Kumagaya 熊谷市	Yasaka-jinja Shrine, Omatsuri Hiroba, JR Kumagaya Sta. and others 八坂神社、お祭り広場、JR熊谷駅前ほか	<b>Uchiwa Matsuri Dashi Yatai Junko</b> うちわ祭 山車屋台巡行	Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine with more than 250 years history, featuring a parade of beautifully decorated 12 floats to the tune of festival music daily during the period. The highlight of this festival is <i>Tatakiai</i> in which young men compete in drumming on the floats.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	JR Takasaki Line to Kumagaya Sta. (North Exit), and then walk 5 min.	JR高崎線熊谷駅 (北口) より徒歩5分	<a href="https://www.city.kumagaya.lg.jp/smph/kanko/matsuri/kumagayautiwamaturi/index.html">https://www.city.kumagaya.lg.jp/smph/kanko/matsuri/kumagayautiwamaturi/index.html</a>
Kanto 関東	-	Saitama 埼玉県	Chichibu 秩父市	Chichibu-jinja Shrine, Arakawa River and others 秩父神社、荒川ほか	<b>Chichibu Kawase Matsuri Mikoshi-arai</b> 秩父川瀬祭 神輿洗い	Summary: Annual Festival of the shrine. The highlight of this festival is <i>Mikoshi-arai</i> , a ritual that <i>Mikoshi</i> is carried into Arakawa River. Fireworks display has been cancelled this year.  Schedule & Key events: cancelled	(1) JR Takasaki Line to Kumagaya Sta. From there, take Chichibu Tetsudo Line to Chichibu Sta., and then walk 3 min. (2) Seibu Chichibu Line to Seibu-Chichibu Sta., and then walk 10 min.	(1) JR高崎線熊谷駅より秩父鉄道線で秩父駅下車、徒歩3分 (2) 西武秩父線西武秩父駅より徒歩10分	<a href="https://navi.city.chichibu.lg.jp/">https://navi.city.chichibu.lg.jp/</a>