

## NEWS RELEASE

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Opening on May 30<sup>th</sup>! The Inbound-oriented Sumo Entertainment Show Hall

**THE SUMO HALL HIRAKUZA OSAKA**

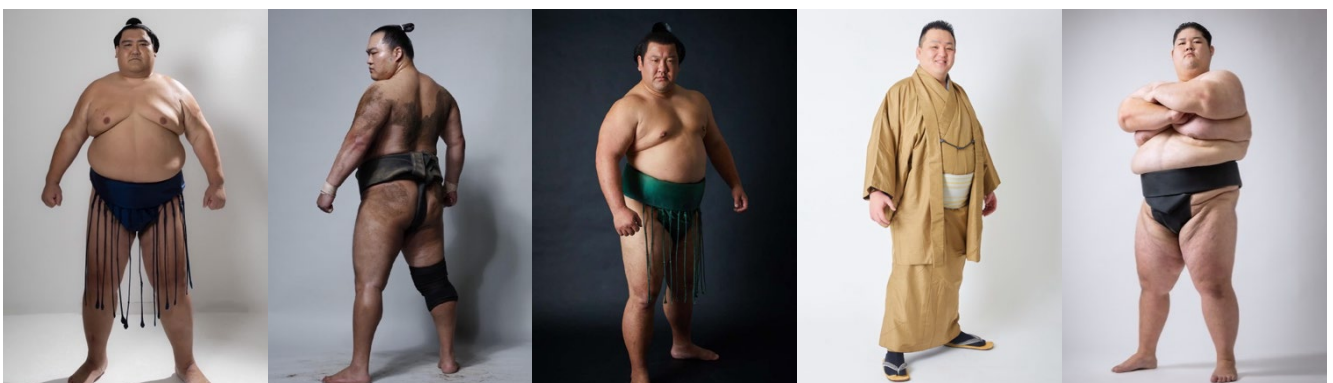
**Sumo Event Stars Announced!**

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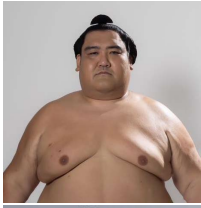
The performers for the inbound-oriented Sumo Entertainment Show Hall “THE SUMO HALL HIRAKUZA OSAKA” opening on May 30<sup>th</sup> (Thur.) have been confirmed. The lineup includes Yoshinori Tashiro (ring name: Tououyama) known for his appearance in the Hollywood movie “John Wick 4 Chapter 4” and active in commercials, and actor Kensho Sawada (ring name: Chiyonoshin), famous for the Netflix drama “Sanctuary.” 4 performers are slated for the actual performance, with additional performers to be announced as soon as they are confirmed.



We are diligently preparing for the opening on May 30<sup>th</sup>, already selling individual reservation tickets on our official website for inbound customers, in addition to accepting bookings from corporations, groups, and travel agencies. With the finalization of performers, we plan to intensify promotions targeting guests from overseas.

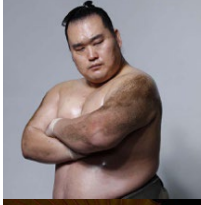
\* For more details on booking, please contact our Inbound Sales Division.

## < Performers Profile >



### 田代 良徳 / YOSHINORI TASHIRO

Yoshinori Tashiro, originally from Hachioji City, Tokyo, was associated with the Tamanoi stable and had the ring name Tououyama, with his highest rank being 7<sup>th</sup> position in Makushita. After retiring from professional Sumo, he ventured into acting, notably in commercials and TV, embracing roles as a Sumo wrestler. His talents extended internationally, with appearances in American fashion magazine VOGUE, the Hollywood movie "John Wick Chapter 4", and films in India and China. Now, he runs a company while continuing to act in various commercials and TV shows. He stands 188 cm tall and weighs 180 kg.



### 澤田 賢澄 / KENSHO SAWADA

Kensho Sawada, originally from Iga City, Mie Prefecture, was associated with the Kokonoe stable and had the ring name Chiyonoshin. He made his debut in the spring tournament of 2002, reaching his highest rank of 59<sup>th</sup> position in Makushita. After retiring in the autumn tournament of 2012, he ran a food and beverage business for about ten years. Learning of a casting call for "Sanctuary," he applied and began his career as an actor, attracting attention. He stands at 180 cm and weighs 130 kg.



### 岡本 将之 / MASAYUKI OKAMOTO

Masayuki Okamoto, originally from Kumamoto City, Kumamoto Prefecture, and was raised in Minami Aso Village. During his Sumo career, he belonged to the Michinoku stable and was known by the ring name Kirinowaka Taro. His highest rank was 4<sup>th</sup> position of western Juryo division in the September 2009 tournament. He retired in 2011 and, starting in 2012, performed in IGF (Inoki Genome Federation) wrestling under the name "Shogun Okamoto." After leaving the group in 2016, he has been working as a freelance wrestler. He is 177 cm tall and weighs 135 kg.



### 松本 豊 / YUTAKA MATSUMOTO

Yutaka Matsumoto is from Koshigaya City, Saitama Prefecture, and is a former sumo wrestler in the Juryo division. He belonged to the Shikoroyama stable, with the ring name Irodori Takateru. His highest rank was 11<sup>th</sup> position of western Juryo division in the January 2020 tournament, marking him as Shikoroyama stable's first wrestler to rise to the sekitori rank after graduating junior high school. He retired in 2022. He is 180 cm tall and weighs 115 kg.



### 當眞 嗣斗 / TSUGUTO TOMA

Tsuguto Toma, hailing from Naha City, Okinawa Prefecture, made a name for himself nationwide as a "Wanpaku Yokozuna" (Naughty Yokozuna) since his elementary school days, leaving shining records, including a team victory at the high school interscholastic athletic meet. He entered the professional Sumo world right after high school graduation. He reached the top of the Sandanme division in March 2020, but retired in 2021 due to injuries. In October 2023, he began his acting career. He stands 183 cm tall and weighs 211 kg.

## < ■ Overview of THE SUMO HALL HIRAKUZA OSAKA >

**【Operating Hours】** 11:00–23:00 (Souvenir shop only open from 11:00–17:00)

[Closed every Tuesday, The year-end and New Year holidays (12/31・1/1)] \* Open on Tuesdays during busy periods

**【Performance Schedule】** Two Shows Daily: ①Start: 18:00 (Open: 17:00) ②Start: 21:00 (Open: 20:00)

\*For 1 performance day, 18:00 (6pm) doors open, 19:00 (7pm) show start. (Performances run approximately 60 minutes.)

**Facility Name** : THE SUMO HALL HIRAKUZA OSAKA

**Location** : 8th floor of NAMBA Parks (2-10-70 Nambanaka, Naniwa-ku, Osaka City)

**Opening Date** : May 30, 2024 (Thurs.)

**Ticket Information** : S seat: ¥16,000 A seat: ¥12,500 (Children ¥9,000) B seat: ¥9,500 (Children ¥7,000) \*Tax included

\*All seats include "Original Makunouchi Bento(HIRAKUZA Bento)" and one drink.

\* Children are from ages 3 to 12 years. (Children who are 12 years old and under get a Children's Bento)

\*Food option charges: Premium Bento(+¥4,000), Halal(+¥2,000), and Vegan(¥2,000) \*Tax included

**URL** : <https://www.hirakuza.net/sumohall/>

- The official site's ticket purchase page: <https://hirakuza.net/sumohall/tickets/>
- Supported languages: Japanese and English
- Supported credit cards include MUFG, DC, UFJ, NICOS, VISA, MasterCard, and JCB.
- HANSHIN CONTENTS LINK CO. Inbound Business Department In charge: Iriguchi/Toshikawa  
Mail address: [hirakuza-sales@hcl-c.com](mailto:hirakuza-sales@hcl-c.com)

### < Company Overview > Company Name

HANSHIN CONTENTS LINK CORPORATION

#### Headquarters

Hanshin Noda Center Building 10F, 1-1-31 Ebie, Fukushima-ku, Osaka City, Japan

#### Capital fund

¥230 million (100% investment by Hanshin Electric Railway Co., Ltd., a part of Hankyu Hanshin Toho Group)

#### Business Description

Contents produce, music business, advertising media sales, signage production

Our company will utilize the expertise of entertainment show business cultivated through operations.

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