

Kyoto's "Japanese Halloween," Kyoto YOKAI Festival This year, TERUPOP choreographs a new generation of dancing Yokai.

Set in UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE's Edo-period town, newly renovated this March, the "Hyakki Yagyo" parade begins September 12!

Join by Day, dance by Night. Enjoy the Yokai Parade which changes from day to night, a new Yokai dance show, and encounters with a variety of unique Yokai. See, Dance, and interact with the Yokai for a full day of entertainment at Kyoto Yokai Festival 2026.

UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE (Ukyo-ku, Kyoto) will hold the "Kyoto YOKAI Festival" from September 12 to November 29, for the third year of the event series.

As the park's first autumn event following its renewal, the Hyakki Yagyo (Night Parade of One Hundred Demons) evolves into an energetic parade featuring dance performances, under the theme "DANCE WITH YOKAI". Set in the park's Edo-period town renovated this March, the festival will offer new Yokai entertainment.

The choreography for the Yokai is created by TERUPOP. Blending the Yokai, a symbol of Japanese culture, with dance culture enjoyed around the world, the event will showcase a new and energetic side of Yokai.

The entire Edo-period town become a stage for Yokai Entertainment, offering a new "Japanese Halloween" experience that can only be enjoyed at the park.



The main event, "Hyakki Yagyo YOKAI Parade," will be held in different formats during the day and at night. During the day, visitors can join the parade and interact with the Yokai along the way. At night, following the parade, the Yokai will deliver an impressive stage performance.

Also, in the new daytime dance program, "Yokai☆Dance Live!", visitors can dance together with the Yokai Sisters. With simple and catchy choreography, this new program can be enjoyed by both children and adults.

In addition, an expanded lineup of Yokai merchandise and Yokai-themed food will be available. Visitor can enjoy a full day with Yokai in the unique world of UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE.

「Hyakki Yagyo YOKAI Parade」



*Hyakki Yagyo Night Parade in 2025

STORY

One day, in UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE's warehouse, a film of the legendary Yokai Jidaigeki (period drama) 'Uzumasa Hyakki Yagyo' that had been shelved long ago was found.

While the film is being shown in the projection room, Yokai from the movie, unleashed from their seal for the first time in decades, leap out of the screen and embark on a grand parade of demons, revealing themselves to the people.

Tonight, a film that has gained supernatural powers over many years will transform UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE into a world of Yokai——

TWILIGHT: KAIKAI YOKAI PARADE～The Feast of a Hundred Demons～

In the second half of the Hyakki Yagyo, an electrifying show featuring music, dance, and sword fighting will take the stage. After the Hyakki Yagyo ends, there will be a greeting session with the Yokai. You can take photos, interact with them up close, and enjoy a special moment with Yokai.

*Those wishing to participate in the "KAIKAI YOKAI PARADE ~The Feast of a Hundred Demons ~" parade must register in advance.

NIGHT: Uzumasa Hyakki Yagyo

An entertainment show where you can enjoy watching the Hyakki Yagyo and dance along with the Yokai during the finale. The stage features a dynamic show that weaves together music, dance, and sword fighting.

Creators from various fields—including choreography, sword fighting, music, art, and costumes—have come together to deliver a one-of-a-kind live entertainment show that fuses Japanese Yokai culture with filmmaking techniques. At the end, join the Yokai in the Hyakki Yagyo dance!

* "Uzumasa Hyakki Yagyo" is a parade for viewing only. Participation in the parade is not permitted.

【Choreography】 TERUPOP



He choreographs and directs for a wide range of genres, including artist live performances, music videos, commercials, theme park shows, and stage plays and musicals. He has worked on numerous entertainment projects, including those for YOASOBI, EBiDAN artists such as M!LK, and the AKB48 group, and also provides instruction to a wide range of people, from children to professional artists. With the theme of "entertainment that makes everyone smile," he excels at creating spaces that make viewers want to participate, and continues to create works that connect people through dance.

Comment:

I was in charge of the stage choreography for "Uzumasa Hyakki Yakō" at this year's Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2026, as well as the direction and choreography for "Yokai ☆Dance Live!".

We created this dance with an emphasis on expressing the fun that makes everyone from children to adults want to dance together, the Japanese world view unique to UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE, and the mysterious charm of Yokai. The view of Yokai and his friends moving around in the authentic Edo cityscape that can only be realized in UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE is a special experience that can only be found in this place!

This isn't just a show to watch—it's a live event where you can move your body along with the performers and enjoy the moment alongside Yokai. Be sure to experience the “Yokai Festival”—an experience you can only find at UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE—with your whole body!



【Composer】Takahiro Obata

He is active in a wide range of musical fields, including composition and performance, and when creating scores for films and other visual media, he always strives to craft music that closely complements the visuals and story, regardless of genre. For the soundtrack of the anime *The Promised Neverland*, the track “Isabella’s Song” has amassed a total of 50 million streams on Spotify, demonstrating his talent for crafting melodies that leave a lasting impression on the audience.

Comment:

I was in charge of the music for "Uzumasa Hyakki Yakō" (Night Parade of One Hundred Demons). In creating the music, I made sure to capture the unique Japanese atmosphere of UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE and the slightly eerie yet somehow exciting worldview of the Hyakki Yakō. I aimed to create entertainment that can be enjoyed by everyone from children to adults by fusing the sounds of traditional Japanese instruments with modern sounds. I hope that everyone who comes will feel like they are part of Yokai 's group, sing and dance and enjoy the world of "Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2026" to the fullest! I hope that you will create unforgettable memories together with the music.

YOKAI ☆DANCE LIVE ! 【NEW】

A lively dance party of Yokai and friends is coming to UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE! A participatory dance program featuring energetic Yokai Sisters, Yokai Brothers and UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE official character Kachinta. With "Yokai and people, let's enjoy this moment as one." as the theme, the choreography, focusing on clapping and arm movements, is simple and easy to imitate, making everyone a part of the Yokai party. The choreography is by TERUPOP, who has appeared in various shows such as theme park shows and fashion shows, and is currently active as a choreographer/staging director. Turn yourself into a Yokai with simple, addictive choreography!

KAIKAI YOKAI GREETING

Yokai appear somewhere in the UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE... Various Yokai, take photos, and chat!? Please enjoy a special interaction with Yokai that you won't find anywhere else. The Yokai appearing are a treat for the day!

YOKAI ART EXHIBITION

Yokai-themed arts exhibition will appear in the park.

KAIKAI YOKAI FOOD

In addition to the food items that were a huge hit last year, new menu items will also be available. A collection of spooky, funny, and adorable YOKAI food items that are perfect for photos!

KAIKAI YOKAI GOODS

This year's event features even more exciting limited-edition merchandise and a wide variety of exciting activities than last year!

Yokai goods corner has appeared inside the souvenir shop, along with other related merchandise! We have a wide selection of rare items and goods to enhance your event experience.

KAIKAI YOKAI History



Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2024 Key visual



Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2025 Key visual

In fall 2024, UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE held its largest Yokai event ever, "Kyoto YOKAI Festival." From the first day of the event, a wide range of people visited, including families, young people, and foreign tourists. On the holiday around Halloween, October 26th of the same year, the highest number of inbound visitors since the opening of UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE in 1975 was recorded. It also marked the highest number of visitors for the autumn season in the past eight years.

The following year, the "Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2025" was held as the "International Yokai Summit," inviting researchers and practitioners from Japan and abroad, including Professor Emeritus Kazuhiko Komatsu, a recipient of the 2025 Order of Culture, to conduct international academic and cultural exchange on the theme of Yokai culture. New projects were developed, such as the public recording of Yokai variety show hosted by general producer Junya Kono, and the event grew in both scale and content, recording a number of visitors that exceeded the previous year's figures.

In 2026, its third year, the event will evolve into a vibrant parade of demons incorporating dance, themed "Let's Dance!! And Be Terrified!" as the first autumn season event since the renewal.

KAIKAI YOKAI Creator

【General Producer】 Junya Kono

Hyakki Yagyo creator, Yokai cultural researcher, Yokai visual artist.

Representative of the "Yokai Art Group: Hyakuyōbako."

Alongside creative activities such as mask-making and graphic art centered on this theme, he has organized numerous "Yokai" events, including "Ichijō Hyakki Yagyō" and "Mononoke Market," "Randen Yokai Train," "Fushimi Yokai Sake Festival," "Mii-dera Yokai Night," and, in 2025, the "Oeyama Shuten Hyakki Yagyo" at the Osaka-Kansai Expo.

Comment:

Kyoto YOKAI Festival is now in its third year.

This year, with the relaunch of "UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE," the Hyakki Yagyo seems to be transforming into the "Dancing Yokai Parade." Even for me—having been involved with the Hyakki Yagyo in Kyoto for 20 years—this feels like a surprising turn of events, as we're venturing into uncharted territory. Thanks to the energy of all the dancers, it might just turn out to be a spectacular show.

I'm really looking forward to it!!





【Creative Director】 Gaku Ogaki

The CEO of "Ashitano Shikaku," a creative studio that aims to make tomorrow more interesting through planning and design, based on the theme "Fun can be created." He also serves as the "chief" of the horror design group: Ashitano Horror®.

Commet:

Yokai are not just scary beings. They are also the stars of feasts where people gather, dance, and revel. This year's Kyoto YOKAI Festival, with "Let's Dance!! And Get Spooky!!" as its theme, brings the mysterious yet dynamic figures of yokai to life through visual art and video. Come and experience a Yokai feast that goes beyond just watching. Come and experience the new Uzumasa Hyakki Yakō (Night Parade of One Hundred Demons).



【Costume Maker】 Hiroyasu Yamamoto

The fourth generation owner of Yamamoto Dyeing Factory Co., Ltd., a dyeing factory specializing in film and stage costumes, founded in 1930 in Mibu, Kyoto. Since its founding, the company has been involved in dyeing costumes for films and stage productions, inheriting years of accumulated knowledge including the techniques of kata-yuzen dyeing and approximately 100,000 stencils.

Commet:

My name is Hiroyasu Yamamoto, and I will be participating in this year's event as a costume designer.

I hope that Yokai appearing in Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2026 will not only be scary, but that their individual personalities and presences will also be conveyed through their movements and the texture of their fabrics, and that this will be supported by the costumes. I am very much looking forward to seeing Yokai walk and dance through the streets of UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE, and for the world of the Hyakki Yakō to unfold!



【Choreographer】 Masumi Sakurai

She has served as chief choreographer for numerous parades and stage shows at major theme parks. With her extensive experience and strong directing skills cultivated in the entertainment industry, She works as a leading choreographer, handling choreography and direction for a wide range of projects, including television and media appearances, as well as large-scale events and shows held throughout Japan.

Commet:

In the "Uzumasa Hyakki Yakō" parade, we have carefully expressed the fusion of eeriness and beauty of Yokai (supernatural beings) lurking within a traditional Japanese atmosphere. Step inside, and you'll find yourself in an extraordinary world. Yokai are also waiting for you in the darkness, their hearts secretly filled with excitement. We hope you will enjoy this special experience that can only be found here.



【Photographer】 Daiki Inada

A photographer from Uji City, Kyoto Prefecture.

He photographs the entire Kyoto Prefecture, themed around the seasonal landscapes of his hometown, Kyoto.

His main activity is social media, with a total of over 270,000 followers.

Commet:

The festival of Yokai is being held again this year! Just imagining Yokai dancing and making noise at the newly renovated UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE is enough to make you happy. Be sure to check out the realistic Yokai dance show!

■ 「Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2026」 Event Information

Event Period : Saturday, September 12 – Sunday, November 29, 2026

(Closed on certain days during the event period.)

Park hours : 10:00AM~9:00PM

Venue : UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE

Official Event Website : <https://eigamura.com/feature/yokai2026/>

Tickets : Guests holding any of the tickets listed below can enjoy the “Kyoto YOKAI Festival.”

【 Includes "Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2026" merchandise admission ticket】

This ticket includes admission ticket to UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE and special commemorative merchandise for the event.

merchandise : Kaikai YOKAI Pamphlet and postcards exclusive to this ticket (3 types in total, one will be given at random)

Fee : 1DAY Ticket+Merchandise

Adult (13 and over) 3,800 yen / Children (Age 3 to Elementary School) 2,600yen

Nighttime Ticket(5:00PM~9:00PM) + Merchandise

Adult (13 and over) 3,000yen / Children (Age 3 to Elementary School) 2,300yen

【 “Kyoto YOKAI Festival 2026” Full-Event Pass】

This pass allows unlimited park admission to UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE during the event period.
Recommended for those who enter more than once!

Fee : Adult (13 and over) 5,500 yen / Children (Age 3 to Elementary School) 3,100 yen

Usable period : Saturday, September 12, 10:00 AM – Sunday, November 29, 8:00 PM, 2026

【 UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE admission ticket】

Fee : 1 DAY (10:00AM~9:00PM) Adult (13 and over)2,800 yen

Children (Age 3 to Elementary School) 1,600 yen

Nighttime(5:00PM~ 9:00PM) Adult (13 and over) 2,000 yen

Children (Age 3 to Elementary School) 1,300yen

■ 「UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE」 Facility Information

Facility Name: UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE

Address: 10 Uzumasa Higashihachiokacho, Ukyo-ku, Kyoto, Japan

Opening Hours: 10:00 AM–9:00 PM *Some areas close at 6:00 PM.*

Closed: Tuesdays

(Open on Tuesdays in March, April, and November, as well as on public holidays.)

Official Website: <https://eigamura.com/>

Access :

- 5-minute walk from Uzumasa-Koryuji Station on the Randen Tram Line
- 13-minute walk from Hanazono Station on the JR Line
- 14-minute walk from Uzumasa-Tenjinkawa Station on the Kyoto Subway Line

■ 「UZUMASA KYOTO VILLAGE」 Renewal Schedule

- March 28, 2026 (Saturday) — Phase 1 Opening
- Spring 2027 (scheduled) — Phase 2 Opening
 - Opening of five new dining and retail establishments
 - Opening of the Hanamachi (Geisha District) Zone
- Spring 2028 (scheduled) — Phase 3 Opening
 - Opening of the theater, *Nakamura-za* (provisional name)



※ Hot spring facility is also planned for development from 2028 onward.

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