

SAPPORO

Sapporo City Call Center

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City Website

Japanese, English, Chinese, Korean, and Russian <www.city.sapporo.jp>

E-book

Koho Sapporo (Sapporo City Public Relations Magazine) digital version

<<http://www.hokkaido-ebooks.jp/>>

News

●Ishiya 2017 IPC Nordic



Skiing World Cup Sapporo, Japan

The World Cup Finals will be held in Sapporo. About 80 top athletes from 15 countries will enter the competition.

Schedule: (1) Mar. 18 (Sat.), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Cross-country skiing middle and free. (2) Mar. 19 (Sun.), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. CC short and classical. (3) Mar. 21 (Tue.), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. biathlon middle. (4) Mar. 22 (Wed.), 10 a.m.-2 p.m. BT sprint. Adm.: free. Venue: Nishioka Biathlon Stadium (Toyohira-ku, Nishioka). Access: free shuttle bus runs from Makomanai Subway Sta. (Namboku Line) from 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.

<<http://japanteam.jp/wc2017/>>

● Final Income Tax Return

Those who are not Japanese nationals but who have lived in Japan for one year or more may have to report their annual income earned from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31 in 2016 and file their tax return by Mar. 15 (Wed.). For details, check the website of the National Tax Agency <http://www.nta.go.jp/foreign_language/> For assistance with completing and filing the 2016 final income tax return, contact your nearest tax office.

●Science Center Spring Festival

There will be many stalls for children, games, and performances. Children can fish with a magnet and operate a robot. Date: Mar. 25 (Sat.)-Apr. 9 (Sun.), 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Adm.: ¥700 for sr. high and over. Free for jr. high and under.

●Info: Sapporo Science Center (Atsubetsu-ku, Atsubetsu-chuo 1-5, 2-20, ☎892-5001). Access: near Exit #1 of Shin Sapporo Subway Sta. (Tozai Line).

●Furoshiki Project



The Sapporo International Art Festival will be held from Aug. 6 (Sun.) to Oct. 1 (Sun.). One of the events involves making a huge *furoshiki* (wrapping cloth). Anyone can help sew some *furoshiki* together to make it. Work day: Mar. 11 (Sat.) and 12 (Sun.), 11 a.m.-7 p.m. 14 (Tue.) and 28 (Tue.), 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Venue: New Odori Bldg. 4F (Chuo-ku, Odori Nishi 4-chome).

They are now collecting pieces of fabric and sewing machine thread to make the *furoshiki*. Donate any unneeded cloth (at least 50mm x 50mm) or sewing machine thread. There are collection boxes at Aeon supermarkets, each ward office, and City Hall. Lace, blankets, and underwear are not accepted. ●Info: ☎211-2314

Living

●Bicycle Fair



(1) About 30 bicycles will be on sale. Come in person and apply for the one you want from Mar. 1 (Wed.) to 15 (Wed.). If there are many applicants, a lottery will be held on Mar. 16 (Thu.) at 10 a.m. and the results will be announced at 1 p.m. Venue: Sapporo Recycle Plaza at Chieria (Nishi-ku, Miyanosawa 1-1, ☎671-4153). Access: Chieria is connected to the Miyanosawa Subway Sta. (Tozai Line).

Children

●Vaccine for Japanese Encephalitis

A 4-dose encephalitis vaccine is available for free. The first three doses are given at ages 6 months-7 years (phase 1-3). The last dose is given at ages 9-13 years (phase 4). Please contact a hospital or clinic in your ward. English Vaccination Guidelines: <<http://semi-sapporo.com/download/vaccination.pdf>> ●Info: Sapporo City Call Center, ☎222-4894

Culture



●Movie Screening

The historical drama film "Ben-Hur" (US, 1959) will be shown at the Convention Center (Shiroishi-ku, Higashi Sapporo 6-1) on Mar. 18 (Sat.) from 1 to 5 p.m. Adm.: free. Capacity: 300. Access: an 8-min. walk from Higashi Sapporo Subway Sta. (Tozai Line).

●Park Jazz Live Entry



Park Jazz Live Concert for amateur musicians and bands will be held at 10 venues like hotels and restaurants in July. To enter the concerts, access the website and fill the application form. Deadline: Apr. 10 (Mon.). Entry fee: ¥2,000 per person. Date: July 15 (Sat.) and 16 (Sun.) ●Info: Sapporo City Jazz, ☎592-4125, <<http://Sapporocityjazz.jp/park-jazz-live/>>

●City Hall Lobby Concert



A classical concert by Tomoki Higuchi (piano) will be held at City Hall (Chuo-ku, Kita 1, Nishi 2). Date: Mar. 24 (Fri.), 12:25-12:45 p.m. Adm.: free, ☎211-2261

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