

# K O B E

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## Kobe International Music Festival

【特集】もっと話そう【KOBE国際音楽祭】のこと

### 世界の音楽が より身近な存在に

世界的アーティストや  
神戸ゆかりの音楽家を多数迎え  
7月からKOBE国際音楽祭が始まります。  
2カ月にわたり、神戸のあらゆる場所で  
音楽に出会えるイベントについて紹介します。

If you have any questions about ward  
office procedures, financial support for  
raising children, etc.

**Call the Kobe International  
Community Center (KICC)!**

☎ 078-742-872 | (11 languages)



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website!



# Special Feature: Kobe International Music Festival

**Feel the Music, Live the Moment!**

**A citywide celebration bringing music into everyday life!**

**Date:** Saturday, July 12 - Sunday, September 14



This prestigious festival brings together world-renowned musicians and talented local students, with over 100 performances held across 50 venues throughout Kobe City.

Explore the full lineup & secure your tickets now⇒



## Kobe International Flute Competition

**Date:** Friday, August 29 - Sunday, September 7

This world-renowned flute competition is held every four years in Kobe, and all judging is made public.

Come listen to skilled performances from both experienced and beginner artists, and witness the possible debut of tomorrow's leading flutists!



## Where the Sounds of the World Come Together

Discover music from around the world right here in Kobe! World-class musicians are coming together in our city to perform across various venues. Don't miss this chance to experience the magic of music!

### ●South Korea-Daegu Music Exchange Concert

Date & Time: Tuesday, August 19, 3:00PM~4:00PM

Venue: Pifile Hall (ピフレホール)

### ● Kobe International Music Festival 2025 - Final Event

#### Kobe Steelpan Carnival:

Date & Time:

Sunday, September 14

10:00AM~5:30PM

Location: Tetsujin Plaza



## A Symphony of Sounds in the City

Talented artists in Kobe will be performing all around town. Let the music guide you as you explore the city!

### ● Downtown Concerts

Local musicians will give live performances at churches, the Kitano district, City Hall, and other unique venues.



### ● Street Performances

Throughout the festival period, 73 city-approved groups will showcase music, street acts, dance, and more.



## A Collective Celebration of Music

Participate in a variety of engaging events and discover new musical experiences tailored to your unique interests!



### ● Children's Concert: A Colorful Musical Gathering

**Date & Time:** Sunday, August 3, 2:00PM~3:00PM

**Venue:** Kobe Cultural Hall

Families with children are welcome to attend! Visitors may enter and exit freely during the performance.

### ● Concert by Aspiring Musicians

**Location:** Cultural halls of each ward & downtown Sannomiya

Watch live brass, string, and choral performances presented by Kobe City junior and senior high schools students!

### ● Flute Orchestra: A Community Performance

**Date & Time:** Sunday, August 31, 4:30 PM~6:00 PM

**Venue:** Kobe Fashion Mart

Internationally acclaimed flutist Ayako Takagi will perform alongside 500 local participants in a large-scale ensemble!

## Discounts for Kids Along the Kobe Kosoku Line!

Starting from July, children receive an automatic 50% fare discount when using a PiTaPa Kids Card. With a Children's ICOCA Card, you'll receive monthly point rebates equivalent to 50% of your fare (advance registration required).



Additionally, show a child IC card at Metro Table Tennis (in Kosoku Kobe) and Kirakukan Theater (in Shinkaichi) to receive discounted admission.



## Cool Off this Summer at a Beach or Pool!



### ● Suma Beach

Just steps from the station, Suma Beach offers easy access and is equipped with jellyfish protection nets for safe swimming.



### ● Azure Maiko

A popular seaside spot perfect for tide pooling and coastal exploration.

**Swimming season:** July 10 - August 24,  
9:30AM ~5:00PM



### Suma Rikyu Park - Splash Pool

A playful water area designed for preschool and elementary school children.

**Open:** July 28 - August 1



### Kobe Sports Park - Splash Pool

A spacious, shallow water area ideal for young children to enjoy safely.

**Open:**  
July 19 - August 31



# Let's Head to the Mountains of Kobe!

## Somatani Trail: Hike Up Along a Mountain Stream!

On rainy days (and the following day), the stream's water level increases and the trail becomes slippery. Please be careful when hiking this path.

Course:

### ○ **Nada Maruyama Park**

With a panoramic view of Kobe!

↓ 10 min. walk

### ○ **Trailhead**

↓ 25 min. walk

### ○ **Stream Crossing Spot**

↓ 1 hour 45 min. walk

### ○ **Somatani Pass**

↓ 5 min. walk

### ○ **Nature House (Hotaka Lake)**

A fun place to explore  
and stay overnight!



## Be Careful of Heatstroke!

It's going to be another hot summer!  
Kobe City is working to create cooler  
spaces by installing 'Cool Spots' and  
adding more greenery through the Kobe  
Treeshade Project.

If you start feeling hot, take a early break!



This sign marks a cooling rest  
spot for hot days.

You can find about 650  
locations across the city,  
including pharmacies,  
supermarkets, and  
convenience stores.



Cool Spots



Treeshade  
Project



# Must-Try Events!

## Kobe Love Port/Minato Matsuri (Chuo Ward)

Get ready for one of Kobe's biggest summer festivals - Minato Matsuri at Meriken Park!



Featuring dance performances, comedy shows, and delicious food all weekend! The Water Splashing Festival will also be ongoing, bringing a lively mix of music and dance!

**Date & Time:** Saturday, July 26 & Sunday, July 27  
11:00 AM ~ 8:00PM

**Location:** Meriken Park

**Admission:** Free



## Summer Vacation in the Forest! (Kita Ward)

Explore the nature on Mt. Rokko this summer! Enjoy wildlife observation and fun events like specimen preparation, and try your luck with quizzes and bingo!

**Period:** Saturday, July 19 - Sunday, August 31

**Location:** Kobe Municipal Arboretum

**Admission:** Entry, parking and some activities require fees.

