

Kobe City PR Digest English Dec.2024

Let's Learn About Kobe's Forests!

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)

# Let's Learn About Kobe's Forests!

Did you know that Kobe is home to many forests?

Let's learn all about forests and conservation, so we can pass on Kobe's vibrant woodlands to the next generation!

See forests from a new perspective:



- · Hop on a ride that takes you above the forests, and observe the different types of trees and elevation!
- · Stroll around the Kobe Municipal Arboretum, and learn about the seasonal changes in trees!
- There are forest conservation activities tailored to the needs of individuals, organizations, and businesses!

Further Details (JPN)→



### **Kobe Mountain Trekking Stamp Rally**



Kobe is currently conducting a mountain trekking campaign, where participants can visit teahouses along mountain trails and collect stamps. Campaign runs until Sunday, Feb. 2, 2025. Prizes will be awarded based on the number of stamps collected. Savor a meal charming teahouse, and enjoy the

breathtaking views along the way!

Time: Varies by teahouse

Fee: Free

Stamp Sheets: Available at every participating teahouse, and at Trail 

Prizes: Distributed at Trail Station Kobe (JR Shin-Kobe Station). Prizes will be handed out until Friday, Feb. 28, 2025. (Open Hours: 8AM to 4PM, Fri-Sun & national holidays)

**Hiking Safety Tips** (Multilanguage)→



**Further Details on** Stamp Rally (JPN)→



#### Get a Sneak Peek!

Kamika Teahouse (Mt. Ichino, Nada Ward)



Located on the grounds of a temple on Mt. Ichino, the Kamika Teahouse is easy to reach even for beginner hikers. Breakfast is served

Hours: 6:30AM~5:00PM (Closed on Monday afternoons and Thursdays)

> **Further Details on** Teahouses (JPN)→



### Garbage Disposal and Emergency Services **During New Years Period**

All ward offices will be closed from Saturday, Dec. 28, 2024 to Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025.

### **Garbage Collection Dates**

\*Please throw out your garbage between 5:00AM and

\*Regular collection days will run until Dec. 27 and resume from Jan. 6, 2025.

### **Burnable Garbage**

Collection Days Year-End Date **New Year Date** 

Mon.&Thurs. Dec. 30 & 31 Jan.6, 2025 Tues.&Fri. Dec. 31 Jan.7, 2025

\*Please apply for Oversized Garbage collection early.

Apply: via homepage or phone.

TEL: 078-392-7953

Hours: 9:00~16:00 (Mon.~Fri.)

Suspended Operations: Saturday, Dec. 28~

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025

↑ Garbage Disposal Information (Multilanguage)

### **Emergency Medical Services and Consultation Hotline**

#### ·Emergency Consultation Hotline

TEL: #7119 (If unavailable, call 078-331-7119)

24-hour consultation with nurses to get information on medical institutions and emergency assessment.

### ·Children's Emergency Illness Consultation (Injuries excluded)

TEL: 078-891-3499

Consultation with nurses about pediatric emergency medical

Hours: Saturday, Dec. 28 ~ Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025

Sat.: 3:00PM~7:00AM

(Next day)

**Further Details** on Emergency **Medical Hotline** 



Sun.~Fri.: 9:00AM~7:00AM (Next day)

Where to go when your primary care doctor is unavailable (for minor symptoms only) →



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# **Kobe Inquiry Center**

The Kobe Inquiry Center offers information on the City's services, systems, procedures, facilities, events, and more via phone, web chat, and email. If you aren't sure where to consult about a procedure or question, please feel free to contact the Inquiry Center.

TEL: 0570-083-330 OR 078-333-3330

#### For an easier, stress-free inquiry service:

- In addition to operating staff, a chatbot is available to help answer questions.
- ·If the Center is unable to respond, you can make a reservation to have the staff call you back at a later time.
- ·The Center is available in the event of a disaster.

\*\*Please note that although the ward offices' general hotline name has changed to "Ward Office Inquiry Center," the telephone number is the same.

Further Details (JPN)→



# City Subway Point Services

Starting Sunday, Dec. I, a new system has been implemented where passengers who use the subway for the same fare zone a certain number of times can earn points. These points may be used like electronic money for things like subway or bus rides, or even for shopping!

#### How to Use:

month after use.

① Register your ICOCA card at a ticket machine

※You can also register your smartphone/Mobile ICOCA.

② You can also recharge ICOCA points at a ticket machine on or after the 15th of the following

Further Details (JPN)→



# Nada Sake Brewery Mystery Quest



Try unlocking a mystery using hints hidden throughout Nada's sake breweries! If you complete two or more areas, you can enter a lottery to win prizes from each sake brewery, or hotel vouchers!

Period: Until Friday, February 28

Venue: 15 breweries in Nadagogo Admission: Free

Pamphlet Distribution Locations: Each checkpoint, Kobe City General Information Center, Hanshin Nishinomiya Tourist Center, etc.

\*Can participate from a smartphone as

Further Details (JPN)→



## **Christmas Drone Show**

There will be a light festival with the theme of "Kobe's Westernstyle Culture"! At the festival you can enjoy delicious foods from around the world and a drone show by the waterfront!



Date & Time: Monday, December 16~Friday, December 20  $4:00PM \sim 9:00PM$ 

Drone Show dates: Saturday, Dec. 21  $\sim$  Wednesday, Dec. 25 II:00AM  $\sim$  9:00PM

Venue: Meriken Park
Admission: Free

Further Details (JPN)→



# **Seaside Stamp Rally**

Participate in the stamp rally event by visiting Suma Sea Fishing Park, Azure Maiko, and other places with your family and friends!

If you collect 10 or more stamps, you can enter a lottery to win prizes such as a pearl brooch, shopping/meal vouchers, or admission tickets to Kobe Suma Sea World!

Period: Until Friday, February 14 2025

**Venue:** Around Sanyo Railway Nishimaiko Station to Tsukimiyama Station

**How to Participate:** Visit each spot with your smartphone and participate via homepage.

Admission: Free



Further Details (JPN) ↑

# **Must-Try Events!**

#### Christmas Market (Chuo Ward)

With a fantastical Christmas display and German mulled wine and sausages, a cozy, festive experience awaits you!



December 25 %Times vary based on activity or event.

Venue: Nunobiki Herb Gardens

Admission: Entrance fee required

Inquiries: 078-271-1160

Further Details (JPN)→



### Traditional Games at Satoyama! (Kita Ward)

From *karuta* to *fukuwarai*, and a raffle for rice, come enjoy traditional games! From Jan. 3 to Jan. 5, rice wine will be served to the first 50 adults, made from rice grown by local university students.



Date & Time: Friday, Jan. 3~Sunday, Jan.

12 10:00~15:00

Venue: Aina Satoyama Park

Admission: Park entrance fee required

Inquiries: 078-591-8000



Further Details (JPN) ↑

# Suma Nori Factory Tour & Beach Clean-Up (Suma Ward)

Learn about the process of making Suma *nori*, one of Kobe's famous products, from its cultivation all the way to manufacturing! This event also includes some clean-up activities on Suma Beach.

Date & Time: Sunday, January 19, 2025

①10:00~13:10 ②11:50~15:00

Venue: Sumaura Fisheries Nori Factory

Fee: Free

**Apply:** via homepage by Sunday, Dec. 22. Participants chosen by lottery.



Further Details (JPN) ↑

