

English Event Calendar January - March 2024



Gallery Talk for Foreign Visitors “Nagasaki and China”

1/21 (Sun)

🕒 13:30 - 14:30 Easy Japanese
14:30 - 15:30 English

Around 400 years ago, Nagasaki was the only place in Japan where trading with China was allowed. Through this exchange, many aspects of Chinese culture (food, lifestyle, techniques, etc.) were introduced to Nagasaki. In this Gallery Talk you will learn about the history of Nagasaki and its relationship with China.



📍 2F Exhibition Gallery
👤 Adult ¥500
High school student ¥250
Capacity: 15 people each day



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Performance Calligraphy

1/2 (Tue) High schoolers draw characters with brush and ink, while dancing in time with music.



📍 1F Entrance 🆓 Free
🕒 11:30 / 15:00

Calligraphy Experience

1/2 (Tue) You can try to draw characters using brush and ink.



📍 2F Ryuzantei 🆓 Free
🕒 13:00 - 14:30



Japanese Traditional Musical Instrument Performances

📍 1F Entrance 🆓 Free



1/3 (Wed)

🕒 13:30 - 14:30

Enjoy a performance of shamisen (a 3-string lute) and wa-daiko, or Japanese drums.



1/7 (Sun)

🕒 13:30 - 14:00

Enjoy seasonal songs performed with koto, a traditional string instrument, and bamboo flutes.



Setsubun Mamemaki

📍 Outside the Magistrate's Office Main Entrance

2/3 (Sat)

🕒 16:30 - 17:00 🆓 Free

In the past, people believed that illnesses and misfortunes were caused by demons. At the turning of the seasons, they would drive away evils with a ritual called “setsubun”. Even today, people throw roasted soybeans (“mamemaki”) while yelling “Oni wa soto, fuku wa uchi”, demons out, good luck in. It is said that eating the beans will bring you luck and health for the whole year.



Aogai-Zaiku With Shrink Plastic

📍 1F Entrance 🗳️ ¥200

3/23 (Sat)

🕒 13:30 - 16:30

Aogai-zaiku are lacquerware inlaid with mother-of-pearl designs, traditionally produced in Nagasaki in the Edo period. You will draw your favorite design on black sheets of shrink plastic to create ornaments resembling aogai-zaiku.



① Draw a design



② Bake in the oven



③ Attach a strap



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