# What's New in Yokosuka

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\* All information may be subject to change

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### EVENT CALENDAR

#### MARCH

- 21 Vernal Equinox Day
- 22 Tsukayama Park Cherry Blossom Festival (3/22-4/8)
- 29 Kinugasa Cherry Blossom Festival (3/29-4/9)
- **31** Kitakurihama Cherry Blossom Festival (3/31-4/8)

#### APRIL

- 22 Miura Clan Samurai Parade
- 28 Kanrin-Maru Festival
- 28 "Rally! Japanese Heroes of Legend" (4/28-6/17)

**29** Showa Day

**30** Substitute Holiday

### MAY

- **03** Mt. Takeyama Azalea Festival (5/3-5/5)
- **03** Constitution Memorial Day
- **04** Greenery Day
- **05** Children's Day
- Fly! ANA
  Windsurfing World
  Cup YOKOSUKA
  Japan (5/10-5/15)
- 12 Kurihama Flower Park Spring Fair (5/12-5/13)
- 13 Yokosuka Friendship Dance Festival
- 19 Yokosuka Curry Festival (5/19-5/20)

For English info about events in Yokosuka call the **Yokosuka Call Center 046-822-2500.** Operators may need time to search for info. **8am-8pm daily.** 

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### All events free unless otherwise noted.



#### Tsukayama Park Cherry Blossom Festival

Thu Mar 22 – Sun Apr 8 Take the time to watch the flowering cherry blossoms while enjoying local festivities such as games and performances around this famous cherry blossom park! In addition, you can see the William Adams Cherry Blossom Party on April 8.

(Tsukayama Park area)



#### Kinugasa Cherry Blossom Festival Thu Mar 29 - Mon Apr 9

Kinugasayama Park was selected among the top 100 picks for cherry blossoms in Japan. View the 2,000 trees bloom across the park and celebrate with dance, taiko, and music performances! There will be food booths and you can even see the trees light up from 6pm to 8pm!

(Kinugasayama Park)



#### Kitakurihama Cherry Blossom Festival Sat Mar 31 – Sun Apr 8

Visit the Kitakurihama area for cherry blossom viewing! There will be a variety of activities such as ceremonies, dance performances, flea markets, food and drink stalls, and more on April 7 and April 8! The parks will be lit up every evening until 9 pm from March 31 and conclude on April 7.

(Negishi Traffic Park, Negishi Park No. 3)



#### Miura Clan Samurai Parade Sun Apr 22, 1pm - 3pm

See the revival of the samurai in Yokosuka! Locals dressed as samurai from the Miura Clan will march through Kinugasa. Their heroic appearance will instill images of how this great clan ruled the Miura Peninsula and supported the shogun, Minamoto no Yoritomo.

(Kinugasa Jujiro to Daimyoji Temple)

## Kanrin-Maru Festival

Sat Apr 28, 10am - 4pm This festival celebrates the Kanrin-Maru, the first Japanese ship to sail across the Pacific Ocean. Here you can learn more about the ship, enjoy a variety of activities, and more!

Some portions of the event will require a fee.

(Sumitomo Heavy Industries, Uraga Factory, and the surrounding area)

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Utagawa Kuniyoshi 《battles of Kawanakajima》 1855 (first half) The Frame Factory Takahashi

#### "Rally! Japanese Heroes of Legend"

Special Exhibition Gallery Sat Apr 28 – Sun June 17

Throughout history, the feats and legends of heroes have been passed down through traditional Japanese arts and performances. Featured at this exhibit are a wide selection of material such as ukiyo-e paintings from the Edo period, ancient helmets and armor, and even pieces of modern art.

General Admission: ¥900

(Yokosuka Museum of Art)

Thu May 3 – Sat May 5, 9am – 3pm



#### The summit of Mt. Takeyama blooms with around 1,200 azalea from mid-April to early May. During the Golden Week holidays from May 3 to May 5, a special event will be held where you can experience local

traditional dances and more!

Mt. Takeyama Azalea Festival

(Mt. Takeyama Summit)



#### Fly! ANA Windsurfing World Cup YOKOSUKA Japan

Thu May 10 - Tue May 15, 10am - 5pm Yokosuka is proud to hold the world's top windsurfing world cup where athletes from countries far and wide compete to be the best! You will be able to see these top-class windsurfers race across the water first-hand. In addition, you can enjoy the food and drink booths, and even experience marine sports yourself!

Visit http://en.wwcjapan.com for more information.

(Tsukuihama Beach)



#### Kurihama Flower Park Spring Fair

Sat May 12 – Sun May 13, 10am – 3pm Celebrate the spring time at the Kurihama Flower Park! Not only will you be able to walk around and enjoy this enormous park, but you will also be able to see what's for offer at this fair! There will be food and drink stalls, music and dance performances, and more!

(Kurihama Flower Park Poppy Garden Plaza)



#### Yokosuka Friendship Dance Festival

Sun May 13, 12pm - 7:30pm Hit the dance floor at this special event open to everyone! You can dance to live music, enjoy jazz dance, and see professional dance performances! There will also be an opportunity for a variety of free dance lessons on the 6th floor of the community center. General admission for Japanese participants will cost ¥500. Free for every other nationality and high school students and below.

(Sogo Fukushi Kaikan Hall 7F)



#### Yokosuka Curry Festival

Sat May 19 – Sun May 20, 9am – 4pm Savor the spices of curries from all over the country or try the local flavors of naval curry and JMSDF curry! There will even be outdoor stage performances!

Entrance is free, but you must purchase food and drinks.

(Mikasa Park)

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