



## Tokyo International Music Festival 2024



Tokyo International Music Festival 2024 will be held at Ota City Residents Hall (Aprico). We hope everyone will come to experience the joy of music together! Please visit the Tokyo International Music Festival website for information on tickets, programs, and other details.



This article is available in audio.



-  May 3 (Fri), 4 (Sat), and 5 (Sun), 2024 (May 3 is a national holiday)
-  Ota City Residents Hall (Aprico)
-  Admission on May 3 and 4 is free for foreign residents of Ota City.  
\* Please show your residence card or other identification.  
However, a fee will be charged for some performances.

-  Office of the Tokyo International Music Festival 2024 Executive Committee (co-sponsor: Ota City)  
☎ 03-3560-9388 FAX 03-3586-2575  
E-mail [contact@timf.jp](mailto:contact@timf.jp)



## ■ *Senzokuike Shunsho-no-Hibiki* (Springtime Evening Concert)

*Senzokuike Shunsho-no-Hibiki* will be held at the picturesque Senzoku Pond. *Senzokuike Shunsho-no-Hibiki* is a concert where you can enjoy traditional Japanese performing arts in Senzoku Pond's beautiful natural setting. Come and experience the event's magical atmosphere of elegant music and lighting.

-  Thursday, May 16, 2024  
\* To be cancelled in the event of rain
-  Ikezuki Bridge on the west bank of Senzokuike pond
-  Admission: Free
-  Standing \* Seating for 300 will be available.

**Organizers:** "Senzokuike Shunsho-no-Hibiki" Executive Committee/Ota City

-  Cultural Promotion Division  
☎ 03-5744-1226  
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E-mail [bunka@city.ota.tokyo.jp](mailto:bunka@city.ota.tokyo.jp)



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## ■ ManaViva is Accepting Students

ManaViva is an adult education program for learning how to read and write Japanese characters necessary for daily life (such as hiragana, katakana, and simple sentences). It also covers the basics of the Japanese language, arithmetic in Japanese, and other subjects. Join others like you in the community and the program staff for a fun and useful learning experience.

**Eligibility:** (1) People living, working, or attending school in Ota City (aged 16 years or older)

(2) People with the ability to converse in Japanese (regardless of nationality)

Childcare is available for children between the age of 18 months and the third year of elementary school. (Spaces are limited and will be filled as requests are received.)

🕒 From Sunday, May 12, 2024, to Sunday, March 2, 2025 (mainly on the first, second, and fourth Sundays of each month) (total of 24 sessions)  
2:00 pm to 4:00 pm

📍 Ota City Office, Consumer Center, and other locations

💰 Free of charge

👤 Offered to first 40 applicants

📄 Apply in person or by telephone.

📞 Co-Production Projects and Lifelong Learning Section, Community Activities Promotion Division  
Counter No. 27, 6th floor, 5-13-14 Kamata, Ota-ku  
☎ 03-5744-1443  
FAX 03-5744-1518



## ■ The 73rd Ota City Children's Garden Party

The garden party will be a place for children to enjoy games, sports, and other activities with members of the community. Fun activities are planned at ten venues in the city. We look forward to seeing you there. Visit Ota City's website for details of venue locations.



The above photo is for illustrative purposes only.

🕒 10:00 am to 3:00 pm, Sunday, April 28, 2024

📞 Community Activities Promotion Division  
☎ 03-5744-1223 FAX 03-5744-1518  
E-mail [seishonen@city.ota.tokyo.jp](mailto:seishonen@city.ota.tokyo.jp)



## ■ Ota City's Loan-Type Scholarship Program (for University Study, etc.)

Ota City offers scholarship loans to students who want to study but have difficulty doing so because they come from households facing difficult financial circumstances.

Borrowers under the scholarship program who meet certain conditions and work at a welfare-related business in Ota City for three years or more will have their repayment amounts reduced or exempted.

\* Please inquire with the office noted below for details.

🕒 Late April to early June (subject to change)

💰 Monthly loan amount  
National or public institution: 35,000 yen or less  
Private institution: 44,000 yen or less

👤 Offered to a total of 30 people

📄 Bring in the necessary forms or send them by post.

📞 Public Assistance Section, Welfare Management Division  
5-13-14 Kamata, Ota-ku 144-8621  
☎ 03-5744-1245  
FAX 03-5744-1520



## ■ Beginners Japanese Course

This course is for people who are new to the Japanese language. It teaches you how to read, write, and speak simple everyday Japanese.

### ● Who can join?

People living, working, or attending school in Ota City  
Please visit the GOCA website for more information.



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🕒 May 13 to July 4, 2024 (total of 16 sessions)  
(Mondays and Thursdays) 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

📍📞 Global City Ota Cooperation Association (GOCA)  
☎ 03-6410-7981  
FAX 03-6410-7982  
E-mail mail@ota-goca.or.jp



## ■ Enrolling in the National Pension System

All people between the ages of 20 and 59 who have a certificate of residence in Japan—including non-Japanese residents—must join the National Pension System and pay its premiums. Paying your premiums for more than ten years will make you eligible to receive the National Pension when you reach the age of 65. Full or partial exemption may be available if you have difficulty paying National Pension system premiums. Please apply. The system also includes a “disability pension” that is paid when you are unable to work due to injury or illness, and a “survivor’s pension” that is paid when a family member who had been working to support you dies. You must complete the National Pension enrollment procedure when you first arrive in Japan or leave your employer. Full or partial exemption may be available if you have difficulty paying National Pension system premiums. Please apply. Please visit Ota City’s website if you have any questions.

👛 16,980 yen per month (in FY2024)

📄 Apply at the counter mentioned below or by post or email.

📍 National Pension Section, National Health Insurance and National Pension Division  
Counter No. 12, 3rd floor, 5-13-14 Kamata, Ota-ku  
☎ 03-5744-1214

■ Japan Pension Service Ota Branch Office  
3rd floor, Technoport Kamata Center Building, 2-16-1 Minami-Kamata, Ota-ku  
☎ 03-3733-4141  
Monday: 8:30 am to 7:00 pm  
Tuesday to Friday: 8:30 am to 5:15 pm  
Second Saturday of each month: 9:30 am to 4:00 pm



## ■ Return of Medical Expenses after Loss of Eligibility for National Health Insurance

If you visited a medical institution using your insurance card for the Ota City National Health Insurance program after losing your program eligibility because you moved out of Ota City, joined another Japanese public health insurance program, your period of stay in Japan ended, or for any other reason, you must return the portion of your medical expenses that were paid for by Ota City. If you have joined another public health insurance scheme or moved out of Ota City, be sure to notify Ota City that you will leave its National Health Insurance program and return the insurance card that was issued to you.

📞 National Health Insurance and National Pension Division  
☎ 03-5744-1211  
FAX 03-5744-1516

## ■ The 2024 Edition of “A Guide to Life in Ota City” (Foreign Language Editions)

Foreign language editions of the 2024 “A Guide to Life in Ota City” are now available. It is full of information to help you in your everyday life, including how to complete governmental procedures, how to follow Japanese rules and manners, where you can go for multilingual advice, and so on!

Available in six languages: English, Chinese, Tagalog, Nepali, Vietnamese, and plain Japanese.

### 📍 Where to get the guide

- Ota International Exchange Center (“Minto Ota”)
- Multilingual Consultation Desk, Global City Ota Cooperation Association (GOCA)
- Service Counter A, Household Residents Registry Division, 1st floor, Ota City Office
- Branch offices

The guide can be downloaded from the website.



## ■ Revision of the “Global City Ota” Multiculturalism Promotion Plan

Ota City has revised its “Global City Ota” Multiculturalism Promotion Plan (FY2024-2028). The plan promotes international exchange and amiable multicultural interaction to enhance mutual understanding among its diverse residents and make Ota City a place where people can live actively in their own way. Please take a look at it!



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▼ Information for foreign residents (Viewable in 131 languages)



▼ Multilingual Consultation Desk



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