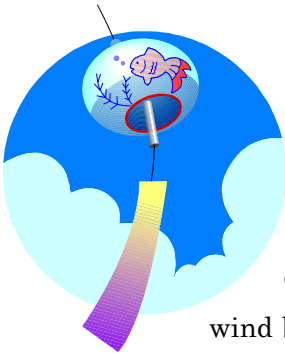


## A Wind Chimes Bazaar At Kawasaki Daishi

(355) 「川崎大師 風鈴市」について



The grounds of Kawasaki Daishi temple will be the site of Japan's largest wind bells market, or FŪRIN ICHI (風鈴市), from Thursday July 17<sup>th</sup> to Monday July 21<sup>st</sup>. Around 28,000 wind bells of 820 different types will be on offer.

Of course they'll have the original wind bells in the shape of Daruma, for warding off evil and misfortune. But they'll also have Nanbu-style iron wind bells, Edo-style wind bells, golden wind bells and many other distinctive wind chimes from all over Japan. A great number of yukata-clad visitors will come from around the country, taking refuge from the summer heat in the cooling, refreshing sound of Japanese wind bells. This is a summer tradition that the people of this city have come to know and love.

So go ahead: enjoy the cooling tones of FŪRIN wind bells, a sound out of Japanese traditional culture.

On the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> the market will be from 10am to 6pm; on Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup> it will be open longer, from 10am to 9pm.

Kawasaki Daishi is an 8-minute walk from Kawasaki Daishi Station on the Keikyu Daishi Line.

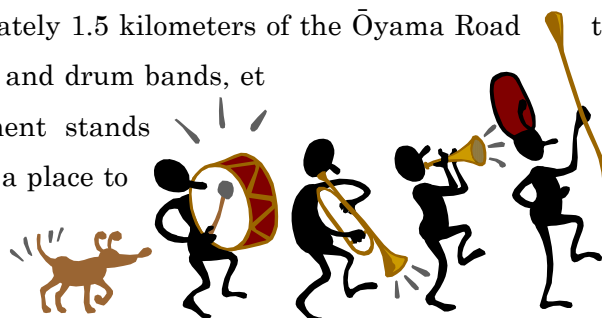
For more information please call the Economic and Labor Affairs Bureau, Commerce and Tourism Division, known in Japanese as the KEIZAI RŌDŌ KYOKU SHŌGYŌ KANKŌ KA (経済労働局商業間効果); their phone number is 0 4 4 - 2 0 0 - 2 3 2 7.

## A Citizens' Festival In Takatsu

(356) 「高津区民祭」について

The TAKATSU KUMIN-SAI (which means, more or less, "Takatsu Citizens' Festival") will take place on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> of July in the vicinity of JR Musashi Mizonokuchi Station. Things will be happening along the Ōyama Road and at Takatsu Library, Takatsu Elementary School, Takatsu Sports Center, Kawasaki City Gender Equality Center 'Scrum 21', and elsewhere.

On that day, along approximately 1.5 kilometers of the Ōyama Road there will be a parade of the firefighters' band, student fife and drum bands, et cetera. There will also be various booths and refreshment stands set up along the road. There will be a moveable zoo, a place to play ground golf, and other activities set up. A concert will be held, and people will set lanterns afloat on the Nikaryō Yōsui canal



(二ヶ領用水) for the spirits of the ancestors.

The Kumin-sai is a special summertime tradition in Takatsu Ward, so by all means head on over there this Sunday and see what's going on.

For more information you can call the general affairs department of the Takatsu Ward Office, which is called the TAKATSU KUYAKUSHO SÔMU-KA (高津区役所総務課) in Japanese; the phone number is 0 4 4 - 8 6 1 - 3 1 2 1.

## Tamagawa Fireworks Festival

(357) 「市制記念多摩川花火大会の開催」について

Held every summer to commemorate the incorporation of Kawasaki City, the fireworks display is taking place this year on Saturday August 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm at the dry riverbed area on the bank of the Tamagawa River in Suwa, Takatsu Ward.

The festival has become a long-standing, well-loved midsummer tradition in this city. This year again about 6,000 fireworks will be shot up into the sky, creating a fantastic display of light and sound.

The location of the fireworks festival is about 8 minutes on foot from Futako-Shinchi Station on the Tokyu Den-en Toshi Line, or about 15 minutes on foot from Takatsu Station on the same line, or about a 20-minute walk from Musashi-Mizonokuchi Station on the JR Nambu Line.

It's important to note that traffic will be strictly regulated in the vicinity of the Tamagawa Fireworks Festival, so please use public transportation to come see the show. As there will be NO parking of any kind provided at the fireworks, please leave your car, motorcycle or bicycle at home.

If you have any questions you can call the Kawasaki Contact Center Municipal Information Hotline, also known as "Thank You Call Kawasaki", at 0 4 4 - 2 0 0 - 3 9 3 9.



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Date & Time: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday from 2:00pm-4:00pm Place: Kawasaki International Center

Please call 044-955-6657 (Urata Office) or 044-811-2436(Takeshita Office) for further information.



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