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### The Dream Concert

The "Dream Concert" celebrating the 80th year of Kawasaki as a city which will be held on the first floor lobby of the Hiyoshi Godochosha (government office building) on Thursday, the 15th of July from 12:10 to 12:45. The concert will feature a solo flute performance done by a member of the Tokyo Philharmonic Orchestra. There is no need for an application, just come along on the day of the concert.

### Summer Festa at Kawasaki Daishi Temple



The Kawasaki Daishi Temple "Summer Festa" in Kawasaki Ward, there is the popular summer festival starting on Sunday the 18th of July with "the Walking Tour of the Famous Spots in Daishi". The reception will be from 9:00am to 1:30pm, at the square in front of Kawasaki Daishi Station on the Keihin-kyuko Line. Also there will the Kawasaki Daishi Furin( wind bell)Fair in the grounds of the Kawasaki Daishi Temple from July 17th to July 21st, from 10:00am to 6:00pm, but on the 20th it will stay open till 9:00pm. At the Furin Fair are wind bells gathered from all over Japan : some made of metal, some from bamboo, from stone and from glass and so on. This Fair is said to be Japan's largest Furin Fair.







The Puppet Festa at the Shimin Plaza will be held from July 23rd to July 25th for 3 days from 10:30am to

4:00pm at the Shimin Plaza. Prepaid tickets cost \$800, tickets bought on the day are \$1000; tickets are valid for 3 days. Furthermore there will be a special performance costing an extra \$500. To get the prepaid tickets go along directly to the Shimin Plaza or apply by postcard by July 15th. If you apply by postcard, please write the number of people who will go in your group and if they wish to see the special

performance, too. You can send the postcard to the Shimin Plaza addressing it to the Person in Charge of the Shimin Plaza Ningyo –geki Festival.



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The Takastu Ward Folk Festival to be held near Musashi-Mizonokuchi. This year from 2:00pm to 9:00pm on Sunday ,the 25th of July there will be a festival held at 30 locations in the area of the Ooyama Kaido Road, which has a long history going back to the Edo period. There will be attractions such as the Trafic Safety Parade and Charity Bazaars. In case of rain, the day of the Folk Festival will be postponed to August 1st.



The Kirari( Twinkle )Concert will be held at the Big Hall of the Kawasaki City Human Rights and Gender Equality Office in Takatsu Ward, from 1:00pm to 5:00pm on Sunday,the 25th of July. This will be performed and organized by young musicians who are active within Takatsu Ward.

# **Citizens Chorus Festival**



The Citizens Chorus Festival (Shimin Gassho-sai)will be held at the newly opened Muza Kawasaki Syphony Hall. Chorus groups that are active throughout

Kawasaki will be performing from 10:00am on the 24th and the 25th of July. There are 700 seats that are freely available to the public on a first come first served basis.

# Lunch Time Concerts

The lunch time concerts at the Asao Ward office. For one week in July, every day from July 26th to July 30th there will be free lunch time concerts. They will start at 12:15 and finish at 12:45 on the second floor lobby of the Asao Ward office. There is no need to book a ticket, merely come along on the day. For more detailed information on the performers and performances ,please phone the Area Promotions Section( the Chiki Shinko Section) in Japanese at the Asao Ward office at 044-965-5116







In the Tama Hills Region of Tama Ward here in Kawasaki there is a beautiful oasis

of greenery and nature called Ikuta Ryokuchi Park.where are guided observation tours held by specailists who go on themed nature trails that look at various aspects of nature such as wild birds, plants and so on. These Ikuta Ryokuchi nature trail meetings are held every Sunday from 10:00am to 12:00pm. If you want to join just come along on the day to the reception area at the Youth Science Museum in the park. Please come a little before 10:00am in order to register. You do not have to apply beforehand and also, its free to join. If there is a little light rain the nature trail meeting will go ahead but if there is heavy rain the meeting

will be postponed. The Youth Science Museum is a 10 minute walk from Mukogaoka-yuen Station on the Odakyu Line. Please phone the Youth Science Museum at 044-922-4731 for more detailed information.

## **Shimin Museum Special Exhibition**

The specail exhibition at the Shimin Museum entitled "Japanese Mythical Creatures" and Recordings of Unidentified creatures". From olden times fanatastic monsters had been reported seen by various witnesses. You can see pictures with images of these creatures, for example Oni (demon-like monsters),



Tengu (long nosed goblins), Kappa (turtle-like water imps) amongst many more creatures. You can get to see this exhibit by entering the museum on a regular ticket. A ticket costs 900 yen for adults, 500 yen for students, and it is free for people aged over 65, junior high school age and younger. To go to the Shimin Museum, from Musashi-kosugi Station, take the bus marked Myuujiamu-Yuki (destination Museum). The museum will be closed on the 20th of July and every Monday.

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