Invitation to International Mikoshi Festival

Traditional Event of JIYUGAOKA KUMANO SHRINE

We, at the Action Committee for International Mikoshi Festival of Jiyugaoka, are delighted to invite you to this year's Mikoshi Festival. Following the excitement of the Olympic and Paralympic Games, we want to share with you the joy of renewing friendships and of developing international exchanges.

In the previous Festival, 50 participants from 16 countries shouldered Mikoshi, a miniature portable shinto shrine.

We will wear original "Hanten" or Japanese jackets, as well as specially made "Tenugui" or Japanese head towels. This will be a great chance for foreigners to experience a traditional Japanese occasion and to make friends with people in Jiyugaoka.

Requirements for application: 14 years of age or above, and Japanese, Chinese, French or English speaking ability. Japanese will attend with non-Japanese friend(s). All nationalities are welcome.



Mikoshi carrying

After having faxed the application form, you will get a participation card. On the day of the event, please bring the participation card with you and present it at the reception desk. At the end of Mikoshi carrying, we'll give you the "Tenugui" and a small gift. Contrarily, original "Hanten" jackets will be only provided for the day and it will be collected after the Mikoshi carrying.

Date: Saturday, August 31, 2024

Time: $3:00 \sim 8.30 \text{ pm}$ (reception desk opens at 3:00 pm)

Clothing: White shorts & pants or similar with sneakers

Fee: Free

Meeting place: Parking lot behind Mitsui Sumitomo Bank (2 min walk ahead of Shomen exit of Jiyugaoka station)

Cosponsored by: Kumano Schrine, Meguro Municipality, Jiyugaoka Shopping Street Promotion Association,

Jiyugaoka Neighbourhood Association, Tokyu Group, Société Franco-Japonaise de Jiyugaoka,

J-Spirits Inc. Association of Meguro Tax-payer Corporations, Jibokukai, Jinmai and Tenyu

Important notice: The organizer as well as above sponsors and support groups cannot take responsibility for any

accidents, injuries etc.

Application deadline: Friday, August 23, 2024 (or when we have 50 participants.) **Inquiries:** Action Committee for International Mikoshi Festival of Jiyugaoka

TEL:03-3724-7787 (Japanese language only)

Note: Cancelation is only accepted by facsimile (FAX: 03-3724-7787).

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Participants need to fill in the form below and send it by fax or e-mail to the Action Committee for International Mikoshi Festival of Jiyugaoka .

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