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Earnest Wish for World Peace



Minato City issued the Declaration as a City of Peace on 8/15, 1985, calling for the abolition of nuclear weapons and permanent world peace.

Based on this Declaration, Minato City is engaged in various activities towards the realization of world peace. As a part of these activities, in April 2010 we joined “Mayors for Peace,” a global coalition of cities that seeks the abolition of nuclear weapons.

Mayors for Peace currently has 8,403 member cities in 166 countries as of 7/1, 2024.

Together with other cities around the world that are working towards the realization of world peace, Minato City will continue to send out messages about the importance and preciousness of peace.

Peace Exhibition

- Minato City Hall, until 8/20, Office hours
International Peace and World Situations, Kids’ Guernica, panel related to Ukraine
- Arisu Iki-iki Plaza 1F, until 8/15, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., until 5 p.m. on Sunday
Those who Held their Thoughts as Facing the Ravages of War, materials and panel related to Chiran Kamikaze Pilots, others
- Akasaka Library Multi-purpose Hall, until 8/18, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., until 5 p.m. on Sunday and holiday
Threat of the Tokyo Air Raids and Many Youth who Evacuated, pictures from experience of the Tokyo Air Raids, materials on the evacuation of school children, others
- Minato City Local History Museum 4F, Lecture Room D, until 8/18, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., until 8 p.m. on Saturday, closed on 8/15
Memories of the Battle of Okinawa to the Next Generation, panel and materials related to the Battle of Okinawa, others
Held in conjunction: Minato Memories—Messages from the Memories of War
- Minato Park Shibaura 1F, until 8/15, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Threat of Atomic Bomb, Hiroshima and Nagasaki atomic bomb panel, Minato City Youth for Peace panel, others

At all the venues

- Minato City’s Declaration as a City of Peace
- About the flame of peace
- Panels with peace messages from famous people
- Signature for prohibiting nuclear weapons

Events for Peace

Place: Akasaka Library Multi-purpose Hall

Movie: 8/3, 2 to 3:45 p.m.

Lecture: 8/11, 2 to 3 p.m.

First-come basis

Exhibit on the atomic bomb by the graduating class of Minato City Youth for Peace, others

Place: Minato Park Shibaura 1F, 8/3-8/5, visit the Minato City web for more information.



Assembly for Peace

Date & time: 8/24, 1:30 to 5 p.m.

Place: Libra Hall, Minato Park Shibaura 1F

Programs: Activity report of Minato City Youth for Peace and junior high school students from Hiroshima, Peace Concert, talks on passing down the experience of the atomic bombing, others

Capacity: 180 people, registration required

Application: Call Minato Call, 03-5472-3710

For childcare service, please inform when calling.

LEARNING JAPANESE

Join at the Japanese Class?

You can learn Japanese as you talk to people in the class.

Participation is open to those who are studying Japanese for the first time or who have studied it a little, and who live in Japan.

The 3-month course is held online on Wednesdays and in the Shibakoen Residents’ Collaboration Space on Saturdays.

The 4-month course is held online on Tuesdays and in Minato City International Association and the Roppongi Residents’ Collaboration Space on Fridays.

Access the website using the two-dimensional code for further details, such as time and date. You can also apply via the website.

Application Period

3-month course starting in September: 7/16 – 8/5

4-month course starting in October: 8/27 – 9/9

Inquiries: Global Community Planning Subsection, Tel: 03-3578-2565



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A person who needs translating service, the operator who will interpret and Minato city staff can talk in group of three.

Our system allows people to choose their preferred language in advance on their smartphone, and have an entire conversation on the phone with the staff in the various departments of City Hall, through an interpreter. This service is available in 13 languages.



PET OWNERS

To Dog Owners

If you are keeping a dog, you should understand its way of life, habits, and physiology, and love and be responsible for it until the end of its life. You should also be considerate of residents in your neighborhood and people who aren't fond of animals.

Rules for keeping a dog in Minato City

Make sure your dog goes to the toilet before going on a walk

If your dog pees or poos on a walk outside, it will dirty other people's private land or public spaces. Form the habit of going for a walk after your dog goes to the toilet at home. If you can't avoid your dog pooping on a walk, please pick it up and bring it home. If your dog pees and you just pour water from a bottle on it, the urine will spread on the asphalt and some people will be uncomfortable with this. After using a pet sheet to absorb the urine, pour water over the area so there is no lingering smell, then use a pet sheet again to absorb this so the water doesn't spread.

Keep your dog on a short lead when you go for walks

Walking your dog off-lead is very dangerous; there is a possibility that your dog could harm other people or dogs, and there have even been cases of fatalities from traffic accidents. For the safety of both dogs and people, make sure you walk with a lead. If you have a long lead, there is a risk that you will be slow to act on the off chance of an accident, or that it will get tangled with other people and dogs, so walk with a short lead. If your lead can change length, please make sure you lock it so it stays short.

Get your dog vaccinated against rabies once a year

To prevent the occurrence of rabies, the Rabies Prevention Act obligates you to vaccinate your dog against rabies once a year in Japan. Once your dog has been vaccinated, you should notify the Health and Welfare Subsection, Residents Support Section of your Regional City Office or the Life Hygiene Counseling Subsection, Life Hygiene Section in Minato Public Health Center. After this, you will receive a vaccination tag, which you should put on your dog's collar, etc.

Are you ready with disaster prevention measures?

If you live with a pet, you must also think about pet disaster prevention measures. For details about disaster prevention measures, visit the Minato City Web.



EVENTS

Summer Events in Minato City

Various summer events related to sports, festival, concert are held. For more information, visit the Minato City web.



Population of Minato City

AS OF 7/1, 2024

Total: 267,450

Japanese Residents: 245,351

Male: 114,626 / Female: 130,725

Registered Foreign Residents: 22,099

Male: 11,338 / Female: 10,761



SAFETY

On 6/3, Minato City Safety Day, a Lecture Was Held

The origin of Minato City Safety Day

On 6/3, 2006, at City Heights Takeshiba, a residential complex for residents, where an elevator ascended with its doors open, resulting in the death of a 16 years old user. To demonstrate an unwavering commitment to safety and security, the city designated 6/3, the date of the accident, as "Minato City Safety Day" in 2018.

Safety precautions for city facilities and elevators

1 Unintended Car Movement Protection

The city has been progressing the installation of door opening and running protection devices for elevators in city-owned facilities. As of 3/31, 2024, out of the 103 units targeted, installation has been completed on 102 units.

2 Strengthening of safety measures for city facilities

The city staff responsible for facility management conduct annual safety inspections of city-owned facilities and undertake actions such as repairs.

The lecture held on Minato City Safety Day

The city co-hosts an annual safety lecture on "Minato City Safety Day," 6/3, with the family of the victim of the City Heights Takeshiba elevator accident.

On 6/3, this year, at the city's Health and Welfare Center for the Disabled, a lecture was held with non-fiction writer YANAGIDA Kunio. Many people attended the lecture.

Inquiries: Facility Safety Subsection, Tel: 03-3578-2158

NOTICE

Schedule of Municipal Libraries

Library events

For the library events conducted in August, visit the Minato City Library Website.



Closed for Special Maintenance

Library	Date
Mita	9/2-9/6
Azabu	9/26-9/30
Takanawa	9/9-9/13
Takanawa Annex	10/7-10/10
Konan	9/15-9/19
Minato	9/19-9/23
Daiba	10/16-10/17

Temporarily Closed

Library	Date
Daiba	9/15, 11/17, 12/8, 2/23
Akasaka	10/1-12/13
Takanawa	10/14, 11/11

Libraries are closed on the third Thursday and from 12/29 to 1/3.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor SEIKE Ai has Announced her City Policy

At the second 2024 regular meeting of the Minato City Assembly, held on 7/16, Mayor Seike announced her City Policy for addressing future city administrations. The full outline of the Policy can be seen on the Minato City web.



The City We Will Strive For

Minato City, a City Resounding with Kindness that Connects to the World

Five Priority Initiatives to be Addressed

- 1 The happiest "Child-rearing/Education City" in the World
- 2 A "City of Health, Welfare, and Coexistence," where no one is left behind
- 3 A "Real Disaster-Prevention City," where life is surely protected
- 4 A "Leading Sustainable City" for the arts, the environment, and the economy
- 5 Reforming City Hall with DX, into a "Trustworthy, Convenient and Open City Hall"

