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Aoyama Park, Minami-aoyama 2-21-12

Japanese Seek Conversation Partner

Would you like to experience fun conversation in Japanese?

Offering an opportunity for foreign people to speak and learn Japanese in a practical way by matching foreign people with people who would like to converse with them in Japanese.

Japanese language exchange allows you to learn Japanese culture and your neighborhood.

If you would like to enjoy communicating in Japanese, please join us.

Activities

Once receiving your details such as age and the second language available to assist the conversation, the staff will match foreign people with Japanese. After matching, partner contact each other and start his/her Japanese language exchange at any time and place. In addition to partnering, the staff will also inform you fun events to enjoy Japanese language exchange.

Note: This program is available for 18 years old and over and people who are able to conduct daily Japanese conversation.

Orientation and registration

Date: September 12 and October 3, from 10:30 a.m.

Place: Minato International Association (MIA), Toei Kita-aoyama 1-chome Apartment, Bldg. 3, 1-6-3 Kita-aoyama

Tel: 03-6440-0233

E-mail: minatomo@minato-intl-assn.gr.jp

Application: If you are interested, apply to MIA with your name, nationality, mobile phone number and whether you live, work, or study in Minato City/ others.

Supervising Subsection: Global Community Planning Subsection,
Tel: 03-3578-2524, Fax: 03-3438-8252

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CITY INFORMATION SERVICE
03-5472-3710

ANNOUNCEMENT

Policy Speech by Mayor Masaaki Takei

Mayor Takei delivered the city policy speech regarding the future administration at the 2020 regular meeting of the City Assembly. For more information, please visit Minato City Web.



By scanning the QR code with smartphone, you can see the Mayor's city policy in the Minato City website.

*As a measure for COVID-19 infection, an acrylic panel has been placed on the podium at the venue of the City Assembly to prevent the spread of spittle.

CHANNEL 11

Minato Public TV Program Guide

J:COM MINATO-SHINJUKU AUGUST schedule

Program	Time	Program Summary
<i>Minato-ku Koho Topics, Topics in Minato City</i> 20 min. program	10 a.m., 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5 p.m., 9 p.m.	<Public Announcements> Delivers important announcements, new information, or events in Minato City. 1-10: Policy speech by Mayor 11-20: Special Cash Payment 21-31: Partial subsidy for the reduced rent fee for tenant owner

Note: Programs may change without notice. You can also see the programs broadcasted by this channel on the Minato City Web or Youtube. The Koho Topics are also broadcasted in the Chii-bus and the Odaiba Rainbow bus. Video/DVD lending is available at the Office of the Mayor, Regional City Offices, and each public library. Videos/DVDs of programs broadcasted from July 2019 to last month are available.

Inquiries: J:COM Minato-Shinjuku, Tel: 0120-999-000 URL: <https://www.jcom.co.jp/english/>



COMMUNITY EVENT

Earnest Wish for Peace

Minato City issued the Declaration as a City of Peace on August 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 7,909 member cities in 164 countries (as of July 1, 2020).

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

Peace Exhibition

Minato City stands firmly behind its appeal for global peace and a world without nuclear weapons. The Peace Exhibition will be held at two venues in the city. Some materials related to war and peace were borrowed from Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Admission is free. Programs may change without notice.

- Minato City Hall, until August 17, office hours

Facts of atomic bombs, Materials related to the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki, and the *Tokko* suicide attack

- Minato Park Shibaura 1F, until August 17, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Minato City's activity for peace and the Tokyo air raids, Materials from the Minato City Youth for Peace and the Conference of Mayors for Peace, Materials and photos related to the Tokyo air-raids

At all the venues, peace messages from famous people, the "Phantom Tokyo Olympics", etc.

Supervising Subsection: Human Rights and Gender Equality Subsection

Declaration as a City of Peace

Minato City

August 15, 1985

All people are one in wishing to preserve the beauty of the earth and the permanence of world peace. These sentiments will never change.

We are working to build a community dedicated to the welfare of its citizens, while striving for true peace and the preservation of our cultural traditions.

Our duty to the generations that will follow is to hand over into their keeping a society built on the brotherhood of all people and a natural environment that is flourishing and beautiful.

We request our government to abide firmly by the "three nonnuclear principles" (renouncing possession, production, and introduction of nuclear weapons) and appealing to all citizens everywhere to seek the abolition of nuclear weapons.

As it is our earnest wish for world peace, we hereby declare Minato City to be a City of Peace.

MINATO BULLETIN BOARD



Minato City Events

SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

All events listed on this page are conducted in Japanese. For more information, please see the Minato City Web. Programs may change without notice.

Date	Time	Program	Place/Capacity
Sale of Recycled Bikes			
Minato Recycling and Management Office Working Contact, 3-9-6 Moto-azabu			
9	10 a.m.	About 25 recycled bikes in good condition that are reclaimed and repaired are up for sale. The drawing starts at 10:30 a.m. Minato City residents have priority. Inquiries: Minato Call, Tel: 03-5472-3710	
Kissport Events and Announcement			
Minato Sports, Community, Culture, and Health Foundation Tel: 03-5770-6837 Fax: 03-5770-6884 Web: www.kissport.or.jp *Programs may change without notice.			
9/24, 10/15 & 19, 11/5 & 19, 12/17	7-8 p.m.	Yoga Class for Beginners Refresh yourself through yoga exercise and be healthy. Eligibility: Minato City residents, workers and students 18 years old and over Capacity: 10 people by a lottery Fee: ¥3,000 for 6 classes. Additional fees may be required. Application: Apply via Kissport Web Ticket from August 7, 10 a.m. to August 24, 11:59 p.m. Bring gym suit, towel, drink and yoga mat if possible. No pregnant women or ones instructed to refrain from doing sports.	Higashi-azabu Residents' Collaboration Space 1

Minato Public Health Center

SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

Eligibility: Registered residents or registered foreign residents of Minato City

Minato Public Health Center: 1-4-10 Mita, Tel: 03-6400-0083

	Eligibility	Date	Time	Place
Stomach, colon cancer	Residents aged 35 or older Capacity: 20 people	Weekdays in September	8:30 to 9:30 a.m.	(B)

Appointment for HIV test, Tel: 03-6400-0081

Eligibility	Examination date	Exam. results available	Place
HIV/STD test*	Open to all	9/3, 9/17	9:30 to 10:30 a.m. (A)

*The result is two weeks later from the check-up day at the Minato Public Health Center

(A) Minato Public Health Center

(B) Genki Plaza Medical Center For Health Care, Jimbocho Mitsui Building, 1-105 Kanda-Jimbocho, Chiyoda City

Note: You need to apply and make an appointment in advance.

Inquiries and appointment: Minato Public Health Center, Tel: 03-6400-0084

For inquires in English, contact Minato Call, Tel: 03-5472-3710

Himawari Medical Facilities Consultation Service

If you are looking for a doctor or pharmacy, you can call or visit the Himawari English language website. Himawari informs medical institutions and Japanese healthcare system.
Tel: 03-5285-8181, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.
www.himawari.metro.tokyo.jp/



NEW SERVICE

Visit the Consultation Chatbot Regarding the COVID-19

The "Consultation Chat" on the bottom right of the Minato City website is available 24 hours a day to answer questions regarding the COVID-19. Services in English, Chinese and Korean are available from June. Please note that some of the translation may not be accurate as they are using Google Translate.



CITY SERVICE

Do You Know Minato Call?

Minato Call

Minato City Call Center provides information about City Hall services and guidance on public facilities and event schedules every day from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. in English and Japanese.

Fax is also available.

Tel: 03-5472-3710

Fax: 03-5777-8752



SUPPORT

Free Consultation Services for Foreign Residents

Minato City Consultation Services

English consultation and information providing services on matters pertaining to the city administration and everyday living are offered. Please feel free to call and visit the supervising subsection

Hours: Monday through Friday, except holidays, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

Inquiries: Global Community Planning Subsection, Tel: 03- 3578-2046/2524

Minato International Association

Volunteer members offer advice and/or support to foreign residents who have problems or concerns related to their daily life. For further information and making an appointment, please call the Minato International Association office.

Available languages: English, Chinese, Korean, French, Spanish

Hours: Monday to Saturday, except holidays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday for making an appointment. Please make an appointment in Japanese or English.

Inquiries: Minato International Association, Tel: 03-6440-0233

HEALTH & SAFETY

Tuberculosis Health Checkup

Tuberculosis is an infectious disease caused by bacteria, which causes inflammation, primarily in the lungs. Common symptoms are similar to a common cold and include cough, sputum, fever and a sense of fatigue. If cough and sputum symptoms persist for more than two weeks, it is important to visit a medical institution for a checkup.

Early stage detection and early treatment are also essential to prevent the spread of infection. Please be sure to have regular chest X-ray screenings.

Inquiries: Public Health and Disease Prevention Subsection, Tel: 03-6400-0081

NTERFM 89.7 MHz

Minato Voice

Time: 5:56 to 5:59 p.m., 3 min. program

Monday & Thursday: English, **Tuesday:** Japanese

Wednesday: Chinese, **Friday:** Korean

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COLUMN

Introducing Traditional Arts and Crafts

Edo Glass

Glass production in *Edo* or nowadays Tokyo, started in the early 18th century by making mirrors, eyeglasses, windchimes, and others. In the early *Meiji* Period from 1868 to 1912, European techniques were introduced and modernized the glass production.

Today, glassware products range to numerous products, such as bottles, jars, even thermometers and hydrometers. In the craft shops, various glasses are presented— from European wine glass to ones with the cherry blossom illustration. It may be interesting to see the unique *Edo* glass, which shows the influence of various countries.



Population of Minato City

AS OF JULY 1, 2020

Total: 261,402

Japanese Residents: 241,414

Male: 112,919 /

Female: 128,495

Registered Foreign

Residents: 19,988

Male: 10,470 /

Female: 9,518

