



It's spring! Let's go outside for a walk!

[It's Time to Enjoy Ota City's Cherry Blossoms!]

Ota City has many beautiful places to view the cherry blossoms. Particularly lovely are Senzokuike Park, Ikegami Honmonji Temple, and Tamagawa, which have many blooming cherry trees to enjoy. The Ota Tourist Association is currently preparing a map that will show cherry blossom locations in the city. The association also offers various pamphlets to help you enjoy the local sights to the fullest. So pick one up, get outside, and enjoy yourself!



This article is available in audio.

Take a walk during cherry blossom season and earn Health Points!
 Hanepyon Health Point program website

- The map will be made available around March 20.
- Free
- Available at Ota Tourist Association, Ota City Tourist Information Center, Ota City libraries, branch offices, and other locations.
- Ota Tourist Association
 03-3734-0202 E-mail event@o-2.jp



【The 12th 21 Seiki-sakura Matsuri Festival】



The “21 Seiki-sakura Matsuri” is a cherry blossom festival that brings together community associations, local businesses, related organizations, and others to deepen friendly ties and boost community spirit. There are plenty of fun areas and activities planned, including the ever-popular stage performances, an event area, a flea market, and refreshment booths.

Requests

We ask visitors to observe the following:

- Wear a mask.
- Remember that restrictions on entering the festival’s venue may apply on the day of the event.
- Refrain from coming if you feel unwell.
- Please note that the festival may be canceled depending on the COVID-19 situation.



“21-seiki Sakura” cherry blossoms

🕒 Sunday, March 26, 2023
10:00 am to 3:00 pm
(Canceled in the event of rain)

📍 Shimo-Maruko Park
4-21-2 Shimo-Maruko, Ota-ku

📞 Community Activities Promotion Section,
Yaguchi Branch Office
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【Recruiting Cool OTA-KU Ambassadors for 2023】

Ota City is recruiting “Cool OTA-KU Ambassadors” to publicize Ota City and its attractions.

- **Eligibility:** Foreign nationals who are at least 18 years old and who reside, work, or attend school in Ota City, or are otherwise connected with Ota City
- **What ambassadors do:**
 - ① Use social media, personal connections, and other means to spread the word about what makes Ota City special
 - ② Participate in events and programs organized by Ota City (Activities held during 2022 included small-scale events and get-togethers.)
- **Volunteer period:** July 2023 to June 2025 (scheduled)
- **Deadline for application:** Applications must be received by 5:00 pm on Monday, April 10, 2023.
- **How to apply:** Apply by personally submitting the application form or sending it by post, fax, or email.



Please contact the office mentioned below for more details. Being a Cool OTA-KU Ambassador brings opportunities to get to know Ota City better and meet a variety of people. Why don't you make your mark in Ota City as one of the team? We look forward to receiving your application.

👤 About 5 people

📄 Submit the prescribed application form and report to the following address by post, email, or in person.

📞 Internationalization and Multiculturalism Section, Internationalization and Multiculturalism Promotion Division
4-16-8 Kamata, Ota-ku (2nd floor), Ota International Exchange Center (Minto Ota)
☎ 03-5744-1227 FAX 03-5744-1323 E-mail boshu-kokusai@city.ota.tokyo.jp

【Magome Bunshimura Cherry Blossom Festival】



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The Magome Bunshimura Cherry Blossom Festival offers lots to enjoy, including Nagashi Odori dancing, Awa Odori dancing, a Haiku poetry contest, and refreshment booths.

* Please note that the festival may be canceled depending on the COVID-19 situation.

🕒 Sunday, April 2, 2023 12:00 pm to 4:30 pm (Held rain or shine)
 📍 Sakuranamiki Park, Magome Sakura-namiki-dori (area between 4-48 and 6-11 Minami-Magome, Ota-ku)
 * Take the bus from Omori Station (Sanno Exit) for Ebara-Machi Station and get off at Usudasaka-shita bus stop, walk 5 minutes

📞 Magome Branch Office ☎ 03-3774-3301 FAX 03-3774-4997



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【The Ota International Exchange Center (“Minto Ota”) Celebrates its First Anniversary!】

The Ota International Exchange Center (Minto Ota) will soon celebrate the first anniversary of its opening last April. Minto Ota has a consultation desk where non-Japanese residents can seek advice when they encounter problems in daily life. There is also an information and exchange area with displays introducing foreign cultures and Ota City’s exchange programs, and a meeting room available for international exchanges and multicultural activities. The Global City Ota Cooperation Association (GOCA) and the Ota City government’s Internationalization and Multiculturalism Promotion Division are also located there.

Minto Ota can help you with city office procedures and translate documents you will submit. We’re sure you’ll find it useful.



Multilingual Consultation Desk (Global City Ota Cooperation Association)



Information and Exchange Area



Meeting Room

📞 Internationalization and Multiculturalism Promotion Division
 ☎ 03-5744-1227 FAX 03-5744-1323
 E-mail kokusai@city.ota.tokyo.jp



Ota International Exchange Center (Minto Ota)

【Ota City’s Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2023】

Ota City has finalized its draft budget for FY2023. Access Ota City’s website through the 2D code to learn about the basic thinking behind next year’s budget.



📞 Public Hearing and Public Relations Division
 ☎ 03-5744-1132

Training New Convenience Store Employees

Ota City is a Great Place to Work!

In this edition of Ota City Navigation, we introduce a foreign national who works in Ota City to help non-Japanese readers learn about what makes working in our city worthwhile. In part two of this series, we present Ms. Wugedelehu from China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region. Known for her bright personality, Ms. Wugedelehu is responsible for training new employees in the convenience store industry, where the number of non-Japanese workers is increasing.

Q Why did you come to Japan?

I arrived in Japan in October 2018. I worked as a kindergarten teacher in Inner Mongolia for a year after graduating from university, but I wanted to try something new. I was always hearing about Japan from my university professors. So, I wanted to see Japan for myself someday. And that's why I chose to come.



Q Tell us about your current job and why you decided to do it.

I work for a company that is contracted to provide human resources training. I am in charge of training new convenience store employees, not just non-Japanese. I chose the job because I wanted to be involved in human resource development. I first became interested in that kind of work when my manager suggested I take crew leader training at my first part-time job. That experience made me realize that I enjoy training new employees.

I also wanted to show the same warmth to others that my manager showed me. Back then, I couldn't speak Japanese very well and made mistakes because I was nervous. But my manager taught me patiently and with kindness. I still remember that. So when I train new employees, I try to treat them with the same patience and warmth. And I try to do more than teach them the job. I also want them to be conscious of enjoying working with others. So I make it a point to be sure that I also enjoy my work.



Thank you, Ms. Wugedelehu. We are sure your warmth and cheerfulness will spread from convenience stores to our community.

Visit this website to read the entire interview.

