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Brand new Shibuya MIYASHITA PARK



Opened in 1953 as Shibuya's public park, Miyashita Park has been reborn as "MIYASHITA PARK," encompassing a park, commercial facility, and hotel combined. The park has new facilities, including a lawn space, skating space, bouldering wall, and multi-purpose athletic facility (sand court). The commercial facility has various tenants, including shops, cafes, and a *yokocho* side street area with many eating places.

Shibuya Sta. (JR, Subway, Tokyu, Keio)







www.miyashita-park.tokyo/



Renovated Ikegami Station opened in July 2020

Ikegami Station in Tokyo's Ota City re-opened in July 2020 after its major renovation. Now, "Etomo Ikegami," a commercial facility with direct access from the station, is scheduled to open in late March 2021 with various tenants, including cafes and a public library. Serving as a temple town of Ikegami Honmon-ji Temple, the area around the station is filled with an unpretentious air with lots of local people. With a combination of historical shrines, temples, public bath facilities, and new cafes and galleries, you can enjoy the charm of "Old meets New."

Rikegami Sta. (Tokyu)

etomoikegami-teaser.jp/

Opening of "Takaone," an experience-based hotel, at the gateway to Mount Takao

About one hour by train from Shinjuku, Takaosanguchi Station on the Keio Line serves as a gateway to a popular hiking spot, Mount Takao. In front of the station, a new hotel, "Takaone," is scheduled to open in the summer of 2021. You can enjoy all of the morning, daytime, and nighttime faces of Mount Takao by staying overnight, as well as various activities and delicious meals.

takaone.jp/hotel/



Newly Opened Hotels Information

Scheduled to pre-open on Mar. 18, Apr. 22,

Scheduled to open in the summer,

NATURAL HOT SPRING HOUJYOUNOYU DORMYINN IKEBUKURO, MIMARU Tokyo Kaminarimon Station,

Hotel Keyaki Gate Tokyo Fuchu,

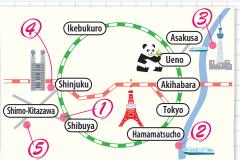
192 rooms 51 rooms

156 rooms



Are you interested in a new version of a Tokyo trip, where you can enjoy shopping at a new commercial facility, walking along a river, and a full-fledged onsen?









Shopping in Shibuya

Stroll in new Shibuya with new facilities, including SHIBUYA SCRAMBLE SQUARE, MIYASHITA PARK, Shibuya Fukuras, and Shibuya PARCO, and find your favorites at various kinds of stores and shops selling a wide range of items from high-end brands to street-style brands.

Shibuya Sta. (JR, Subway, Tokyu, Keio)



Sightseeing by water-bus from "WATERS takeshiba"

waters-takeshiba.ip/

WATERS takeshiba is a complex facility newly opened at Tokyo Bay waterfront. From the water-bus stop there, you can take a water-bus to Odaiba or Asakusa. Enjoy a pleasant sea breeze!

☐ Takeshiba Sta. (Yurikamome), Hamamatsucho Sta. (JR, Tokyo Monorail), Daimon Sta. (Subway)





Lunch to-go at "TOKYO mizumachi"

www.tokyo-mizumachi.jp/en/

This new spot is located under the railway connecting TOKYO SKYTREE and Asakusa Take out a popular hamburger or bread, and enjoy a picnic feeling at the park along the river.

Asakusa Sta. (Tobu, Subway), TOKYO SKYTREE Sta. (Tobu), Oshiage 'SKYTREE' Sta. (Subway, Keisei)







Enjoy shabu-shabu dinner alone

hitorisyabusyabu-ichi.com/

"Hitori-shabu-shabu lchi, Nishishinjuku" is a new-style shabu-shabu restaurant, where ingredients are travelling on a lane like *kaitenzushi* (conveyor belt sushi) and you can enjoy shabu-shabu as you like.

🖳 Shinjuku-nishiguchi Sta. (Subway), Shinjuku Sta. (JR, Subway, Keio, Odakyu)







Soak yourself in onsen at a Japanese-style hotel

www.uds-hotels.com/en/yuenbettei/daita

"Yuen Bettei Daita" is an onsen hotel opened in September 2020. It is such a calm and quiet space that you cannot believe it is right in central Tokyo. You can enjoy open-air bath of real onsen, transported from Hakone springs, while you are still in Tokyo. In addition to lodging, day trip plans are also available.

🗖 Setagaya-Daita Sta. (Odakyu), Shimo-Kitazawa Sta. (Odakyu, Keio)

Model Walking Route

- 🕕 Odaiba-kaihinkoen Sta.
- 5 min. by bicycle (1.6 km)
- teamLab Borderless, Odaiba
 - 🟍 5 min. by bicycle (1.8 km)
- Cafe ARIAKE
 State Ariake

Gourmet Guide



Located on the rooftop of DiverCity Tokyo Plaza, this is one of the largest BBQ spots in Tokyo. As all that you need for BBQ, including tools and ingredients, are available there, you can enjoy BBQ without preparation (from 1,900 yen per person). citvfarm-bbg.com/



Various kinds of washoku dishes are offered, including homemade soba noodles with freshly ground soba buckwheat every day, kushiyaki skewered food grilled on binchotan charcoal, and tempura. 209 yen for charcoal-grilled skewered food, 1,408 yen for tempura seiro soba.

gonpachi.jp/odaiba/



This cafe offers healthy Italian dishes made with organic soy milk and brown rice. Not only the food, but also the comfortable interior, such as the main table made with timber from forest thinning, is one of its great features. 800 yen for grilled pork, and 800 ven for sov milk tomato cream pasta.

www.lohascafe-ariake.net/





Share Cycle

There are several ways to get around Odaiba, including walking and taking the Yurikamome Line guideway transit service. Especially for the huge Odaiba area, share cycle service comes in really handy! There are several cycle ports, where you can rent and return a bicycle. A one-day pass is available.

docomo-cycle.jp/?lang=en



🙀 teamLab Borderless, Odaiba

At this digital art museum, where you immerse yourself in borderless art with your whole body, the exhibits keep changing moment to moment and special exhibits are available for a limited time, so you can enjoy yourself and keep finding new stuff every time you visit.

borderless.teamlab.art/



SMALL WORLDS TOKYO

Opened in 2020, this is one of the biggest miniature theme parks in the world. There are finely-created miniature replicas of Tokyo and other cities all over the world. The areas of "Pretty Guardian Sailor Moon" and "EVANGELION: CAGE" are just great.

www.smallworlds.jp/en/



🈰 SPA Izumi Tenku no Yu Ariake Garden

This onsen facility is directly connected to the Hotel Villa Fontaine Grand Tokyo Ariake. With onsen from 1,500-meter underground springs and various types of baths, saunas, and hot stone saunas, you can get both your mind and body healed. And also excellent dishes offered at restaurant "Ariake Kitchen" will satisfy the customers.

www.hvf.jp/eng/

Tokyo Event Information Apr. - Sep. 2021

Pick-up Topic: Events

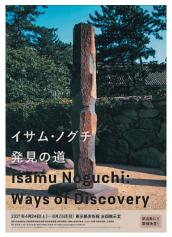


Apr. 24 – Aug. 29 Special Exhibition: Isamu Noguchi Ways of Discovery @ Tokyo Metropolitan Art Museum (Exhibition Room) isamunoguchi.exhibit.jp/english.html

One of the greatest sculptors of the 20th century, Isamu Noguchi (1904–1988), left many masterpieces created with a desire for peace and harmony in mind, against his background of having a Japanese father and an American mother. This exhibition will display about 90 pieces of work collected from Japan and all over the world. It also offers a hands-on exhibition.

Ticket Ticket at door: TBD Ueno Sta. (JR, Subway, Keisei)

Phyllida Barlow untitled: canvasracks; 2018-2019
2018-2019 Concrete, cotton-duck canvas, hardboard, paint, plastic, plywood, steel, tape, timber Dimensions variable Courtesy: Cross Steele Collection Installation view: cul-de-sac, Royal Academy of Arts, London, 2019
Photo: Damian Griffiths



♦Apr. 22 - Sep. 26

Another Energy: Power to Continue Challenging
- 16 Women Artists from around the World

@ Mori Art Museum, Tokyo

www.mori.art.museum/en/

Highlighting 16 female artists in their 70s or older up to 105 years old continuing to stay active today all over the world, this exhibition showcases their powerful works in various genres based on their dedicated efforts during their long careers.

Ticket TBD

Roppongi Sta. (Subway), Azabu-juban Sta. (Subway)



V&A Dundee (UK) 2018 ©Hufton+Crow

♦Jun. 18 - Sep. 26

Kuma Kengo: Five Purr-fect Points for a New Public Space @ The National Museum of Modern Art, Tokyo

kumakengo2020.jp/en/

From works by Kengo Kuma, one of the greatest architects of modern Japan, 68 works with a highly public nature were selected for this exhibition, where they are introduced along with commentary by the creator himself. A new research project based on his original focus that aims to review a city from the perspective of cats, will also be presented.

Ticket Ticket at door: 1,300 yen

Takebashi Sta. (Subway), Kudanshita Sta. (Subway), Jimbocho Sta. (Subway)

Cautions upon visiting public facilities, including museums and art museums



Please wear a mask.



Exhibitions are subject to change or cancellation, so please check the information in advance.



If you and/or your family member(s) are feeling sick, please refrain from visiting the venue.

Recommended good but little known places for cherry blossom viewing



Showa Kinen Park

www.showakinen-koen.jp/guide-english/schedule-english/

This large park has about 1,500 cherry blossom trees of more than 30 kinds. Enjoy beautiful cherry blossoms while picnicking at "Sakura no Sono" (cherry blossom garden) or walking along the river. Ticket Entrance fee: 450 yen

Tachikawa Sta. (JR), Tachikawa-Kita Sta. (Tama Toshi Monorail), Nishi-Tachikawa Sta. (JR)



Sarue Onshi Park

tokyo-eastpark.com/sarueonshi/sarueonshi-en/

Enjoy beautiful cherry blossoms on about 200 cherry trees in this park, along with TOKYO SKYTREE. The Central Plaza with the clock tower and the Lawn Field are perfect for picnicking.

Sumiyoshi Sta. (Subway)



◆Ikegami Honmon-ji Temple honmonji.jp/index.html

With about 100 cherry trees on the temple grounds, the buildings, including the grand main building and Five-story pagoda, create a unique atmosphere.

闰 Ikegami Sta. (Tokyu), Nishi-Magome Sta. (Subway)

For other festivals and events...

See the official Tokyo travel guide "GO TOKYO"

www.gotokyo.org/en/



Editor's note

You may feel uncomfortable under ordinary circumstances when visiting a crowded

popular art museum, but if you visit it after checking the congestion situation in advance and take precautions including wearing a mask, you may be able to relax while viewing. When you feel a bit tired, have a tea break at a cafe terrace and look at the exquisite buildings of the museum. Outdoor objects are photogenic!



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