

U.F.R.A. NEWS



Urayasu Festival

On Saturday and Sunday, September 16 and 17, Shin-Urayasu will come alive with stage performances, Japanese and international foods, games, cultural shows, parades, sales of local products from many prefectures, craft beer and sake and much more! This is the annual Urayasu Festival, an exciting event uniting the people of Urayasu with folks from all over Japan and around the world. You will find plenty to see and do (and eat!) around the Shin-Urayasu Station area, Meikai University and Sogo Park. The excitement culminates on Sunday afternoon and evening with several parades down Symbol Road. Dance troupes from many parts of Japan will delight the crowd with their music and costumes, with everything culminating with the entrance of dramatic Nebuta floats from Aomori. Apparently, it's possible to join the action by renting costumes or festival T-shirts. More information can be found here:

<http://www.city.urayasu.lg.jp/kanko/event/1019517.html>

Wine Tip: Rosé

Yes, they are pretty, but rosé wines are also perfect on hot summer evenings. Served well-chilled, they are a red wine alternative, offering red fruit flavors, refreshing acidity and just a bit of body to accompany summertime salads and other light dishes. In Spain and southern France the rosé style is the product of many years of tradition. The best red grapes - Grenache, Syrah, Mourvedre, Carignan - are given just a touch of skin contact before being pressed and fermented into wine. Don't be shy - give them a try!

Indonesian Culture Day

Indonesia is a fascinating country in Southeast Asia, a land of islands, unique wildlife, diverse cultures and religions, world heritage monuments, and dynamic musical and artistic traditions. Despite that, the country is not so well known here in Japan. UFRA aims to change that with **Indonesian Culture Day**. Participants will enjoy a short lecture and Q & A session, a video on the wonders that await travelers to Indonesia, a martial arts demonstration, dances from various regions and music performed on bamboo instruments. Capping off the event will be a smorgasbord of authentic Indonesian treats – as well as a chance for everyone to meet old friends and make new ones. There will also be a charity raffle – offering the chance to win Indonesian souvenirs while contributing to a worthy cause.

Date & Time: September 9 (Sat), 3:00 ~ 6:00 pm.

Place: Urayasu Bunka Kaikan, 3rd floor

This event is FREE of charge but a reservation is mandatory. NO walk-ins!

For reservations, call the Urayasu City Office at 047-351-1111 ext.14108.

Korean Cooking Workshop

Join the workshop and learn to prepare delicious Bibimbab and Kongnamul Kuk (Soybean Sprout Soup). The class will be taught by two longtime UFRA committee members from Korea, Mika Otsuka and Yoonsue Mannaga. Please bring an apron, head scarf and hand towel.

Date & Time: October 28 (Sat); 10:00 to 13:00

Capacity: Maximum 20 people

For reservations, please call UFRA office (047-351-1111 ext. 14108).

Jewelry Box Outing

The Jewelry Box is an organization with a close relationship with UFRA that supports people with disabilities. They are planning an outing to the Kirin Brewery in Yokohama on Friday, 6 October and are inviting UFRA members and friends to join them. Meet at the Urayasu Welfare at 9:30 and go from there. For more details, please contact the UFRA Office.

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