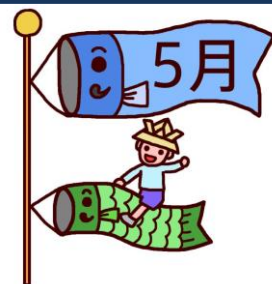


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Iwaki City Monthly Event & Information Guide

Taira Castle Inner Citadel



Just north of Iwaki Station lies the former site of Taira Castle. Taira Castle was built in the early Edo Period and fell during the Boshin War. For the first time in 22 years, the site of the castle's inner citadel including the former residence of the Ando family is open to the public.

On April 18, the *UIA* (Urasenke International Association) and *Friendship Iwaki* collaboratively hosted an event introducing Japanese culture on the former castle grounds as part of the *Fukushima Destination Campaign*. Visitors had the opportunity to participate in traditional tea ceremonies, both indoors and outdoors. There were also koto performances and a space to learn origami at the event.



A schedule of future events planned for to be held at the venue can be viewed here: <http://tairajyou.com/event.php> (Japanese).

If you are yet to visit the site of the inner citadel, there is still plenty of time to do so. The area is open on all weekends and national holidays until June 30, from 10am to 5pm. The entrance is only a short walk north of Iwaki Station. Please be aware that there is no parking at the venue. This is a rare chance to take a peek at the city's local history. Don't miss it!



For inquiries regarding the Taira Castle Inner Citadel Site, please contact the Taira Machinaka Revival Urban Development Planning Promotion Project Team: TEL 0246-21-1111. Website: <http://tairajyou.com/> (Japanese).

For inquiries regarding Urasenke International Association events, please contact Sachiko Watanabe: TEL 0246-53-4686.

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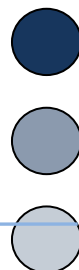
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Festivals & Events



Your guide to what's happening around Iwaki City and beyond this month

Iwaki **May 2nd & 3rd: Iwaki Yumoto Onsen Satsuki Festival** @ Yumoto Onsen Shrine, Yumoto. The main festival is held on the 3rd, with a small ceremony held on the eve of the main festival. At the main festival there will be various omikoshi (portable shrines) carried through the hot spring town. The children's omikoshi begins at 1:30pm and the large and flower omikoshi begin at 2pm. For inquiries, please contact the Yumoto Onsen Tourism Association: TEL 0246-42-4322.

May 3rd: Onahama Suwa Shrine Festival @ Onahama Suwa Shrine, Onahama. Featuring one of the largest omikoshi in Fukushima Prefecture. For inquiries, please contact Onahama Suwa Shrine: TEL 0246-92-2656.

May 3rd: Ukulele Super Live 2015 @ 1st floor passenger terminal, Iwaki La La Mew, Onahama. From 1pm. This is a super stage performance by Kaua Nishimaki. In 2012, Kaua Nishimaki won the "2nd Annual International Ukulele Contest" held in Honolulu. For inquiries, please contact Iwaki La La Mew: TEL 0246-92-3701.

May 4th: Kashima Shrine Spring Festival @ at Kashima Shrine, Taira. There will be an enormous 2-tonne drum featured as part of the festival. For inquiries, please contact Kashima Shrine: TEL 0246-53-2591.

May 4th: Hula and Tahitian Dance Show @ 1st floor passenger terminal, Iwaki La La Mew, Onahama. From 11:30am and again from 1:30pm. There will be two impressive dance performances by a local hula dance team. There will also be the opportunity to try out hula dancing yourself! For inquiries, please contact Iwaki La La Mew: TEL 0246-92-3701.

May 4th: Yotsukura Suwa Shrine Festival @ Yotsukura Suwa Shrine and various other places in Yotsukura. From 10am to 6pm. This festival is carried out in prayer for large fishing catches, household safety and for the recovery from the Great East Japan Earthquake. For inquiries, please contact Yotsukura Suwa Shrine: TEL 0246-32-2485.

May 4th: Tatehoko Kashima Shrine Festival @ Tatehoko Kashima Shrine, Taira. There will be traditional children's dancing, a child's omikoshi and a youth omikoshi. For inquiries, please contact Tatehoko Kashima Shrine: TEL 0246-34-2106.

May 4th: Suwa Shine and Atago Shrine Joint Spring Festival @ Kotohira Shrine and various places in the Joban district. This is a festival of both Suwa Shine, located on the Kotohira Shrine grounds, and Atago Shrine, next to Shozoin Temple. The carrying of the omikoshi only happens once every three years. For inquiries, please contact Kotohira Shrine: TEL 0246-43-1001.

May 5th: Yosakoi Festival @ south side plaza, Iwaki La La Mew, Onahama. From 11:30am and again from 2pm. For inquiries, please contact Iwaki La La Mew: TEL 0246-92-3701.

May 10th: Alios Park Festival @ Taira Central Park (in front of Alios), Taira. From 11am to 4pm. Alios Park Festival is held on the second Sunday of every month from April to November. There will be stalls selling food, drinks, works of art and handicrafts. Other events include a live stage, DJ booth, street dancing and street basketball. For inquiries, please email parkfesinfo@gmail.com. Website: <http://ameblo.jp/parkfes-iwaki/> (Japanese).

May 17th: Eisa and Okinawa Lion Dance @ Hydrophilic Terrace, Iwaki La La Mew, Onahama. Eisa is a folk dance that originates from Okinawa. The lion dance (shishimai) is a traditional dance from China and is danced all across Japan, varying according to region. For inquiries, please contact Iwaki La La Mew: TEL 0246-92-3701.

Movies @ Pole Pole Iwaki

A Farewell to Jinu (Japanese) *Until May 8*

Ryuhei Matsuda

Assassination Classroom (Japanese) *Until May 8*

Ryosuke Yamada

Strobe Edge (Japanese) *Until May 8*

Sota Fukushi

Kaze ni Tatsu Lion (Japanese) *Until May 8*

Takao Osawa

Doraemon: Nobita's Space Heroes (Japanese) *Screenings after May 6 are on weekends only*

Wasabi Mizuta

Dragon Ball Z: Resurrection 'F' (3D&2D) (Japanese)

Nozawa Masako

Detective Conan: Sunflowers of Inferno (Japanese)

Minami Takayama

Crayon Shin-chan: My Moving Story! Cactus Large Attack! (Japanese)

Akiko Yajima

Furious 7 (English, Japanese dub)

Vin Diesel

Solomon's Perjury (Part 2) (Japanese)

Ryoko Fujino

Super Hero Taisen GP: Kamen Rider 3 (Japanese)

Ryoma Takeuchi

Parasyte Part 2 (Japanese)

Shota Sometani

Cinderella (Japanese dub)

Lily James

Biri Gyarū (Japanese) *From May 1*

Kasumi Arimura

Poison Berry in My Brain (Japanese) *From May 9*

Yoko Maki

Kakekomi Onna to Kakedashi Otoko (Japanese) *From May 16*

Yo Oizumi

Furiko (Japanese) *From May 16 to May 29 (two weeks only)*

Shido Nakamura

Initiation Love (Japanese) *From May 23*

Shota Matsuda

Till Death Do Us What? (Japanese) *From May 30*

Kuranosuke Sasaki

Shinjuku Swan (Japanese) *From May 30*

Go Ayano

Pole Pole Ticket Office: 0246-22-3394

Website: <http://www.polepoleiwaki.com>

Movie names, times and other information are believed to be correct at the time of printing. However, information changes quickly, so please confirm before making plans. Pole Pole Cinemas are located in the Sekaikan Building near Iwaki Station. Adults: ¥1800; university and SHS: ¥1400; seniors (sixty years and older), JHS and under: ¥1000. The first of every month is discount day: ¥1000. **Movies after 6:30pm are ¥1000 (¥800 for JHS and under)**. Monday is Men's Day ¥1000, Wednesday is Student's Day ¥1000, Thursday is Couple's Day ¥2000 (per couple), and Friday is Ladies' Day ¥1000. SHS friends discount ¥1000 each for groups of 3 or more SHS students. Married couples with at least one member over 50 ¥2000 (per couple). Discount for people with disabilities ¥800 (also applies to one companion). 3D films cost an additional ¥300.



Iwaki Hospital Guide



The following is a guide to hospitals open on Sundays and public holidays in Iwaki City during May.

Sunday, May 3			
Taira Area	Yamaguchi lin	9-12, 2-5	24-1811
Taira Area	Hasegawa Seikeigeka lin (orthopaedic surgery)	8:30-11:30	25-5691
Onahama Area	Iwaki Chuo Byoin Fuzoku Shinryojo	9-5	53-3511
Nakoso Area	Kureha General Hospital	9-5	63-2181
Nakoso Area	Ohara Kodomo Clinic (paediatrics)	9-5	63-0001
Joban Area	Tokiwakai Joban Hospital	9-5	43-4175
Onahama Area	Shiga Kodomo Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	58-5505
Monday, May 4			
Onahama Area	Onahama Seikyo Hospital	9-5	53-4374
Nakoso Area	Kushida Hospital	9-5	63-3202
Nakoso Area	Iwabuchi Clinic	9-5	63-1501
Joban Area	Nemoto Naika Ichoka lin (internal & gastroenterology)	9-5	43-4100
Tuesday, May 5			
Taira Area	New Town Jin Naika Clinic (internal & nephrology)	9-12	46-0606
Onahama Area	Kashima Hospital	9-5	58-8010
Nakoso Area	Kojima Jiai Hospital	9-5	63-5141
Nakoso Area	Yano Naika Ichoka (internal & gastroenterology)	9-5	62-3262
Joban Area	Hatano Ganka (ophthalmology)	9-5	42-2040
Wednesday, May 6			
Onahama Area	Nakamura Hospital	9-5	53-3141
Nakoso Area	Nakoso Hospital	9-5	65-7755
Nakoso Area	Clinic Tabata	9-5	63-1476
Joban Area	Hisa lin	9-5	43-2313
Sunday, May 10			
Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-12, 2-5	46-1231
Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Uchigo Area	Suda lin	8:30-12	27-6060
Taira Area	Shiga Seikeigeka Geka (orthopaedics & surgery)	9-12	23-5050
Onahama Area	Takagi Naika lin (internal)	9-5	92-3435
Nakoso Area	Yabuki Hospital	9-5	63-1818
Joban Area	Iwaki Yumoto Hospital	9-5	42-3188
Uchigo Area	Aihara Shonika lin (paediatrics)	9-12	26-5551
Sunday, May 17			
Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-12, 2-5	46-1231
Taira Area	Yamaguchi lin	9-12, 2-5	24-1811
Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Uchigo Area	Suda lin	8:30-12	27-6060
Onahama Area	Suminoya Riumachi Seikeigeka lin (rheumatology & orthopaedics)	9-5	58-1154
Nakoso Area	Kojima Jiai Hospital	9-5	63-5141
Joban Area	Kato Naika Clinic (internal)	9-5	72-0072
Nakoso Area	Ohara Kodomo Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	63-0001
Sunday, May 24			
Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-12, 2-5	46-1231
Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Uchigo Area	Suda lin	8:30-12	27-6060
Onahama Area	Nagai Seikeigeka (orthopaedic surgery)	9-5	54-7722
Nakoso Area	Kushida Hospital	9-5	63-3202
Joban Area	Sakamoto Naika Ichoka Clinic (internal & gastroenterology)	9-5	72-2022
Taira Area	Nagai Shonika (paediatrics)	9-12	28-2535
Sunday, May 31			
Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-12, 2-5	46-1231
Taira Area	Sakamoto Seikeigeka lin (orthopaedic surgery)	9-12, 2-5	38-2830
Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Uchigo Area	Suda lin	8:30-12	27-6060
Onahama Area	Fujii lin	9-5	56-2288
Nakoso Area	Kureha General Hospital	9-5	63-2181
Joban Area	Takahashi Hifuka Clinic (dermatology)	9-5	72-1272
Onahama Area	Kodomo Clinic Suzuki (paediatrics)	9-12	56-6336
Sunday, June 7			
Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-12, 2-5	46-1231
Taira Area	Yamaguchi lin	9-12, 2-5	24-1811
Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Taira Area	Shiga Seikeigeka Geka (orthopaedics & surgery)	9-12	23-5050
Onahama Area	Taku Seikeigeka lin (orthopedics)	9-5	56-8833
Nakoso Area	Nakoso Hospital	9-5	65-7755
Joban Area	Tokiwakai Joban Byoin	9-5	43-4175
Taira Area	Watanabe Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	25-1170
Sunday, June 14			
Taira Area	Takahashi Clinic	9-12, 2-5	46-1231
Taira Area	Shirai Geka Ichoka lin (surgery & gastroenterology)	8:30-12	25-3788
Uchigo Area	Suda lin	8:30-12	27-6060
Onahama Area	Nakamura Hospital	9-5	53-3141
Nakoso Area	Kushida Hospital	9-5	63-3202
Joban Area	Iwaki Yumoto Hospital	9-5	42-3188
Taira Area	Yamagiwa Kodomo Clinic (paediatrics)	9-12	28-8686

Emergencies

Emergency Dental Care

All emergency dental care will be provided at the **General Health and Welfare Centre** (*Sogo Hoken Fukushima Senta*) in Uchigo. This centre is open on Sundays and all national holidays from 9am to 12pm and 1pm to 4pm. The reception closes at 3:30pm. For more information please contact the centre on 27-8620.

After Hours and Holiday Emergency Treatment Centre

(Located in Iwaki Kyoritsu Hospital)
If you need to see a doctor urgently in the evening or on a weekend or public holiday, the **After Hours and Holiday Emergency Treatment Centre** is open at the following times:

Weekdays: 8pm - 12am
Saturdays: 8pm - 7am (next day)
Sundays: 1pm - 12am.
Public Holidays: 9am - 12am.
TEL: 27-1208

Please make sure whenever possible to bring a Japanese-speaker with you when visiting the hospital in Iwaki.

Emergency Contact Numbers

Police: 110
Fire & Ambulance: 119

Children Emergency, First-Aid Telephone Consultations

The Fukushima Prefecture Children Emergency, First-Aid Telephone Consultation Centre (*Fukushima-ken Kodomo Kyukyu Denwa Sodan*) is a free telephone service that provides professional advice when your child has become sick during the night. This telephone service is available in Japanese only.

TEL: 024-521-3790
or #8000
From 7pm to 8am.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr 26	Apr 27 Southern Cross	Apr 28	Apr 29 Showa Day 昭和の日	Apr 30 Yu no Hanakai	1	2
3 Constitution Memorial Day	4 Greenery Day 5月4日 みどりの日	5 Children's Day こどもの日	6 Substitute Holiday	7 Yu no Hanakai	8	9
10 Mother's Day	11 Southern Cross	12	13 IIA Japanese Reading Class 1 IIA Japanese Culture Class 1	14 IIA Japanese Speaking Class 1 IIA Japanese Writing Class 1 Yu no Hanakai	15	16
17	18	19	20 IIA Japanese Reading Class 2 IIA Japanese Culture Class 2	21 IIA Japanese Speaking Class 2 IIA Japanese Writing Class 2 Yu no Hanakai	22	23
24	25 Southern Cross	26	27 IIA Japanese Reading Class 3 IIA Japanese Culture Class 3 Très bien	28 IIA Japanese Speaking Class 3 IIA Japanese Writing Class 3 Yu no Hanakai	29	30 IIA Private Counseling
31	Jun 1	Jun 2	Jun 3 IIA Japanese Reading Class 4 IIA Japanese Culture Class 4	Jun 4 IIA Japanese Speaking Class 4 IIA Japanese Writing Class 4 Yu no Hanakai	Jun 5	Jun 6

IIA Private Counselling

The IIA offers the opportunity to receive counselling by a specialist for any emotional troubles or worries you may be experiencing. (The IIA holds counselling sessions once every two to three months.)

Next Session:

Date: May 30 (Sat)
Time: 1:30pm – 4pm
Venue: Iwaki City Lifelong Learning Plaza, small conference room

Participants: Anyone who wishes for counselling
Capacity: 3 people


Reservations must be made in advance. Please contact the IIA to make a reservation.


TEL: 0246-22-7409 FAX: 0246-22-7609


Email: info@iia-fukushima.or.jp

IIA Custom-made Plans

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 Sebastian: sebastian-w@city.iwaki.fukushima.jp

 Yu no Hanakai – Inquiries to Ohba-san 0246-42-2135

 For more information on any of the IIA events, please contact Suko-san 22-7409

From the Editor

Mother's Day is celebrated at different times of the year depending on the country. In Japan, as is the case in many countries, it is held on the second Sunday of May. If you have a mother in one of these countries, don't forget to call her!

There are lots of festivals going on in Iwaki over Golden Week. You will find some of them listed on page 2. If you have a chance, why not go out and see a few?

