



# Ashiya Newsletter

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## The Official Website of Ashiya City has been renewed.



As of February 1st, the official site of Ashiya City has been renewed, making it more convenient, user-friendlier and much more attractive for its citizens.

It is more easily accessible (**automatic translation service is for English, Chinese, and Korean**).

Information is more readily available through the *Konna Tokiniwa* (At such time) and the *Yoku Aru Otazune* (I'd like, ask) items at the top of the front page.

The new design allows timely improvements and changes, making sure information is always up-to-date.

The front page displays in lively colored scenes of beloved Ashiyagawa River and Minami-Ashiyahama.

The domain for local government changed from "hyogo" to "lg", and the new URL is <http://www.city.ashiya.lg.jp/>

**Inquiries:** Public Relations Section Tel:38-2006

## 22nd Ashiya Cherry Blossom Festival



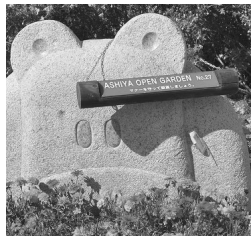
**Dates:** April 3rd (Sat.) and 4th (Sun.)

**Program:** Musical stage events, street stalls, street performances, etc.

**Place:** Riverside of Ashiyagawa River, and on the west side of Citizens' Center, along "Narihira Sakura Street"

**Inquiries:** Ashiya Cherry Blossom Festival Committee, Tel. 38-2007 (Citizens' Participation Section)

## Ashiya Open Garden 2010



**Dates:** April 17th (Sat.) to 29th (Thur., Day of Showa)

Flower gardens and private gardens in Ashiya are open to the general public during this time. Come and see!

This year there are 73 entries. You'll be welcomed by lovely flowers and plants, and enjoy even more by taking part in a stamp rally, having your Open Garden brochure stamped at each place visited.

Brochures are available at the following places: Ashiya City Hall (Parks and Green Areas Section, South Wing Reception Desk, North Wing Reception Desk), La Porte Citizens' Service Corner, Citizens' Center, Gymnasium & Youth Center, Kami-miyagawa Cultural Center, City libraries, Ashiya City Museum of Art and History, and City assembly halls.

**Inquiries:** Parks and Green Areas Section Tel:38-2065



## 2010 is the 70th anniversary of Ashiya City, and the 60th anniversary of the Fire Headquarters and the Board of Education.



On November 10, 1940, Ashiya became the 173rd municipality in Japan, so in 2010 it will be celebrating its eventful 70th anniversary, while both the Fire Headquarters and the Board of Education commemorate the 60th anniversary of their establishment.

These milestones will be marked by a number of projects already under preparation in cooperation with our citizens, for the further development of Ashiya, to be held from April 1 to December 31, 2010.

**Inquiries:** Administrative Management Section Tel:38-2005

## Reopening of the Citizens' Center Annex

Renewal works came to completion and the Citizens' Center Annex reopened on January 6 (Wed.).

On the other hand, the main building (including Luna Hall) is still being renovated and will be closed until the end of March.

The Citizens' Center, the Public Hall Office and the Reception Desk were moved to the 1st floor of the Annex. Applications for use of the Center's facilities are also processed on the 1st floor of the Annex (at the former Office of Social Welfare Council).

The parking lot will remain closed until March 31 (Wed.).

Note however that the bicycle parking lot of the Annex is available as of January 6 (Wed.).

**Inquiries:** The Citizens' Center

Tel:31-4995

**Garbage Collection Schedule by Area**

Type of Garbage	Time	Days	Area
Burnable	By 8:30 a.m.	Monday & Thursday	Chayano, Funado, Hama-ashiya, Higashi-ashiya, Higashiyama, Hirata, Hirata-kita, Ise, Kawanishi, Kimmitsu, Kurekawa, Maeda, Matsuhama, Matsunouchi, Miyagawa, Miyazuka, Nishi-ashiya, Nishiyama, Ohara, Okuike, Okuike-minami, Okuyama, Omasu, Sanjo, Sanjo-minami, Seido, Shimizu, Takezono, Tsuji, Tsukiwaka, Yama-ashiya, Yamate
		Tuesday & Friday	Asahigaoka, Daito, Hama, Iwazono, Kami-miyagawa, Kasuga, Kusunoki, Midorigaoka, 10 to 19 Minami-hama, Nangu, Narihira, Nishikura, Rokurokuso, Shinnozuka, Suzukaze, 10 to 20 Takahama, Uchide, Uchide-kozuchi, Wakamiya, 8-20 Yoko
Nonburnable	By 12:30 p.m.	Mondays	Kasuga, Midorigaoka, Miyagawa, Nishiyama, Seido, Takahama, Uchide, Uchide-kozuchi, Wakamiya, Yama-ashiya,
		Tuesdays	Hirata, Hirata-kita, Kawanishi, Maeda, Nishi-ashiya, Okuyama, Sanjo, Sanjo-minami, Shimizu, Tsukiwaka, Tsuji, Wakaba, Yamate
		Wednesdays	Daito, Funado, Hama, Higashi-ashiya, Higashiyama, Kaiyo, Matsunouchi, Nangu, Nishikura, Okuike, Okuike-minami, Yoko
		Thursdays	Asahigaoka, Chayano, Kami-miyagawa, Kimmitsu, Kusunoki, Midori, Minami-hama, Miyazuka, Narihira, Omasu, Shiomi, Suzukaze
		Fridays	Hama-ashiya, Hamakaze, Ise, Iwazono, Kurekawa, Matsuhama, Niihama, Ohara, Rokurokuso, Shinnozuka, Takezono
Paper recyclables and others	By 8:30 a.m.	Wednesdays	Throughout the city

English copies of the Garbage Collection Schedule can be found at Ashiya City Hall, etc.  
Inquiry: Refuse Disposal Center (Collection Subsection) Tel: 22-2155 Fax: 32-6247

**Collection Schedule for Nonburnable & Paper Recyclables**

Week #	Nonburnable	Paper Recyclables and Others
1st Week	Bottles	Cardboard
2nd Week	Other nonburnable garbage	Magazines, flyers and other paper items
3rd Week	Cans	PET bottles (except for 1 to 9 Takahama-cho and Wakaba-cho)
4th Week	Other nonburnable garbage	Newspapers, paper cartons
5th Week	Bottles	Cardboard

**High-Rise Residential District Special Garbage Collection**

1 to 9 Takahama-cho	Cans	Every week	Monday by 12:30 p.m.
Wakaba-cho	PET bottles	1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th week	Thursday by 8:30 a.m.
	Other nonburnable garbage	2nd and 4th week	Monday by 12:30 p.m.
Wakaba-cho	Cans	Every week	Tuesday by 12:30 p.m.
	PET bottles	1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th week	Thursday by 8:30 a.m.
	Other nonburnable garbage	2nd and 4th week	Tuesday by 12:30 p.m.



Other burnable garbage that does not fit in the pipeline slot is collected on Thursday of the 2nd week. If available, bottles should be disposed of at bottle receptacles.

**Notification from the Tax Section**



**Municipal Taxes Due in March**

Municipal Corporate Tax/Business Facility Tax (for those closing their fiscal year on January 31)

**Deadline for filing and payment:** March 31 (Wed.)

**Municipal Taxes Due in April**

Fixed Assets & City Planning Taxes (1st period)

Municipal Corporate Tax / Business Facility Tax (for those closing their fiscal year on February 28)

**Deadline for filing and payment:** April 30 (Fri.)

**Municipal Taxes Due in May**

Light Vehicle Tax

Municipal Corporate Tax / Business Facility Tax (for those closing their fiscal year on March 31)

**Deadline for filing and payment:** May 31 (Mon.)

**Municipal Taxes Due in June**

Individual City and Prefecture Resident Tax (1st period)

Municipal Corporate Tax / Business Facility Tax (for those closing their fiscal year on April 30)

**Deadline for filing and payment:** June 30 (Wed.)

**Contact:** See the table below, <For More Information>

**City Taxes due before leaving Japan**

Individual city and prefecture resident taxes are assessed every year on individuals who were living in Ashiya City as of January 1, and a fixed assets tax and a city planning tax are levied every year on those who owned fixed property in Ashiya (land, buildings or depreciable properties) as of January 1.

If you are planning to leave Japan, please contact the office below to find out how to arrange for a representative to handle your tax payments in your absence.

**<For More Information>**

Type of inquiries	Section	Telephone
Municipal Corporate Tax / Business Facility Tax Light Vehicle Tax Information on account transfers	Tax Section Management Subsection	38-2015
Fixed Assets & City Planning Taxes	Tax Section Fixed Assets Tax Subsection	38-2017
Individual City and Prefecture Resident Tax	Tax Section Resident Tax Subsection	38-2016
Tax Payment Consultation	Tax Collection Section	38-2014

**Light Vehicle Taxes**

Every year a light vehicle tax is assessed on people who own a light vehicle (including motorbikes) as of April 1. If you no longer possess a vehicle due to disposal, title transfer or theft, you must update the registration to avoid being taxed. Also, if you move out of Ashiya, you need to withdraw your registration in Ashiya to avoid being taxed, and then register the vehicle in your new location. You must also report disposal if you plan to leave Japan. Please bring the required documentation to the office below to complete applicable procedures. Please note that even if you file the disposal record in the middle of the fiscal year, you will still be responsible for paying the entire tax, as there is no refund for the remainder of the year.

Category	Where to process
Motorbikes (125cc or less) Special Light Vehicles	★ Ashiya City Hall, Tax Section Management Subsection (Counter #13) 7-6 Seido-cho, Ashiya 659-8501 Tel. 0797-38-2015
Two-wheeled Vehicles over 125 cc	★ Kobe District Transport Bureau Hyogo Transport Dept. 34-2 Uozaki Hama-cho, Higashinada-ku, Kobe 658-0024 Tel. 050-5540-2066
3 and 4-wheeled Light Vehicles	★ Light Motor Vehicle Inspection Organization Hyogo Office 67-1 Isumi Aza-Magota, Tamatsubo-cho, Nishi-ku, Kobe 651-2145 Tel. 078-927-3648

**Taxpayer Inspection of Fixed Assets Tax Ledger**

Records of Fixed Assets Tax Ledger for fiscal year 2010 will be open to inspection as follows.

Period: April 1 (Thur.) to 30 (Fri.): closed on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays  
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Place: Ashiya City Hall South Wing 1F, Tax Section, South Conference Room  
Eligibility: In principle, limited to owners of fixed assets or their representatives.  
To bring: Tax Payment notice of the previous year, driver's license, health insurance certificate or another form of identification. If not in person, a proxy is required.  
Inquiries: Tax Section Fixed Assets Tax Subsection, Tel. 38-2017

**Review of Amounts in Fixed Assets Tax Ledger**

If you disagree with the figure contained in the fixed assets tax ledger, you may request a review. Submit in writing to the Ashiya City Fixed Assets Assessment Examination Committee, from April 1 (Thur.) to the 60th day following receipt of your tax payment notice.

Inquiries: Ashiya City Fixed Assets Assessment Examination Committee (Ashiya City Hall South Wing 2F), Tel. 38-2010

**City Taxes can be paid by Account Transfer**

Fill out and submit the forms for account transfer (*Koza Furikae Moshikomisho*) found at any banking institution or Japan Post Bank. Types of tax that can be paid by this method: individual city and prefecture resident tax, fixed assets & city planning taxes, light vehicle tax.  
Inquiries: Tax Section Management Subsection, Tel. 38-2015

**Sunday Consultation for Municipal Taxpayers**

**Dates:** March 28 (Sun.), April 25 (Sun.), May 30 (Sun.), June 27 (Sun.)

**Hours:** 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

It is also possible to pay municipal taxes then.

Go to the Tax Collection Section counter after going through procedures at the security office on the first basement level of the Ashiya City Hall North Wing.

**Location of the Tax Collection Section:** Ashiya City Hall South Wing 1F Counter 14

**Inquiries:** Call Tax Collection Section, Tel. 38-2014

**Hyogo Prefecture Health and Welfare Office Program Schedule**  
(Tel. 32-0707) (On Route 2, 150m east of Narihira-bashi Bridge)

Program name	Day / Hours	March
Psychological Consultations	2nd Wed., 13:30-14:30	10
Tests for HIV antibody, HCV antibody, HBs antigen and syphilis	Test Dates 2nd & 4th Fri., 13:30-14:00 (guidance for HIV test results on the same day at 16:00)	12
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Families of Alcoholics Program (Hope Association <i>Nozomi Kai</i> )	2nd Fri., 10:00-12:00	(12)
Families of Elderly Persons with Senile Dementia (" <i>Ajisai</i> Hydrangea Club")	3rd Mon., 13:30-15:30	(15)
Specialized Nutritional Consultations	1st & 2nd Tue., 10:00-12:00	2
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( ) Health Office staff members are not available on these days.

## Ashiya Health Center

Tel: 31-1586 Fax: 31-1018

Program	Hours	Place	Age, Fee and Others	March	April	May	June
BCG vaccinations	13:15-14:15	Ashiya Health Center	From 3 to 5 months old; Items to bring: Mother & Child Health Handbook (Boshi Kenko Techo), application form and thermometer	8	12	12	14
Pureoya Expectant parents' classes (appointment required)	From 13:30	Ashiya Health Center	Enjoy Maternity (1,000 yen)	-	7, 14, 21	-	2, 9, 16
			Support Group for women from 24 weeks of gestation to 4 months postnatal	-	17	-	19
			Bathing classes (with fathers)	20	-	15	-
Health consultation for pregnant women	13:30-15:30	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with maternity nurse	15	19	10	21
Home visits to newborn babies	Anytime	Ashiya Health Center	For applicants only				
Child-rearing consultations	9:30-10:30	Ashiya Health Center	Physical measurement, child-rearing consultation (free of charge); bring the Mother & Child Health Handbook (Boshi Kenko Techo)	18	7	19	2
Mogumogu baby food classes	9:45-11:30	Kami-miyagawa Cultural Center	Free of charge from 6 to 7 months old; bring the Mother & Child Health Handbook (Boshi Kenko Techo)	29	26	24	21
Health checkups for 4-month-olds	13:00-13:45	Hyogo Prefecture Health and Welfare Office	A notice will be sent to eligible people (free of charge)	9, 23	13, 27	11, 25	8, 22
Health checkups for 10-month-olds	Anytime	Designated medical facilities	A notice will be sent to eligible people (free of charge)				
Health checkups for 18-month-olds	13:15-14:00	Ashiya Health Center	A notice will be sent to eligible people (free of charge)	11, 25	8, 22	13, 27	10, 24
Health checkups for 3-year-olds	13:15-14:00	Hyogo Prefecture Health and Welfare Office	A notice will be sent to eligible people (free of charge)	4, 18	1, 15	6, 20	3, 17
Allergy checkups	13:00-14:00	Ashiya Health Center	Checkups by a doctor for children (free of charge)	19	16	21	18
Allergy consultations (appointment required)	9:30-10:30	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation about atopic dermatitis (eczema) and more	1	5	10	7
Periodontal disease prevention class	13:00-14:30	Dentist Association Hall	Free of charge	3, 17	7, 21	19	2, 16
Home visits to people to prevent their becoming bedridden	Anytime	Apply to Ashiya Health Center	Patients 40 years old and over (free of charge)	Note: From April, inquiries about "Home visits for dental care of the bedridden" should be to Ashiya Dental Association (Tel:23-6471)			
Home visits for dental care of the bedridden			Patients 60 years old and over (bedridden or in a similar situation) (free of charge)				
Group: Specific health checkups (appointment required)(40 to 64 years old) (Lung cancer tests for those aged 40 to 64 years old)	Morning: 9:30-11:30	Ashiya Health Center, etc.	40 to 64 years old: Chest X-ray; doctor's questions; measurement of height, weight and waist; clinical examination; blood pressure check; urine analysis and blood test (free of charge); Other items: anemia test, ECG, examination of the back of the eye			(mornings) 7, 15, 21, 24	(mornings) 4, 19, 22, 25
	Applicants must not eat nor drink 10 hours before blood test. Afternoon: 13:30-15:30			Done at the Specific health checkup			
Individual: Specific health checkup, checkup for individuals in Health Care Program for Older Senior Citizens; Checkup for prevention of nursing care, lung cancer test, cancer of the large intestine test, prostate cancer test (65 years old and over)	Anytime	Designated medical facilities	Notice sent to eligible people; No charge for specific health checkup, checkup for individuals in Health Care Program for Older Senior Citizens, and checkup for prevention of nursing care; 900 yen (no charge if 70 years old and over) for lung cancer test; 800 yen (no charge if 70 years old and over) for cancer of the large intestine test; 1,000 yen for prostate cancer test	Checkup time: from May 1, 2010 to December 18, 2010			
Prostate cancer tests	At the same time of specific health checkup, checkup for individuals in Health Care Program for Older Senior Citizens, Health checkups		Males aged 50 years old and over (1,000 yen)				
Hepatitis tests (appointment required)	11:00-11:30	Ashiya Health Center	For first-timers 40 years old and over (1,000 yen)	1	5	10	1
Asbestos checkup (appointment required)	13:00-13:30	Ashiya Health Center	Free of charge	10, 24	14, 21	12, 19	23
Health checkups (appointment required)	From 9:15	Ashiya Health Center	35 years old and over; 11 tests for prevention of lifestyle-related diseases (9,000 yen)	1, 2	1, 5, 6	10, 11	1, 3, 7
Osteoporosis checkups (appointment required)	9:30-10:00	Ashiya Health Center	20 years old and over (1,000 yen) (checked by ultrasound)	16	20	20	15
Nutritional consultations (appointment required)	9:30-11:00	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with a nutritionist for adults (free of charge)	2, 16	6, 20	18	1, 15
Health consultations (appointment required)	9:30-11:00 13:00-15:00	Ashiya Health Center	Consultation with a doctor for adults (free of charge)	2 (afternoon) 23 (morning)	6 (afternoon) 20 (morning)	11 (afternoon) 25 (morning)	1 (afternoon) 15 (morning)
Stomach cancer tests (appointment required)	9:15-10:30	Ashiya Health Center	35 years old and over (2,500 yen) once a year	4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 25	8, 12, 15, 19, 22	6, 20, 27, 31	24
Cancer of the large intestine test	Anytime	Ashiya Health Center	40 years old and over (800 yen); once a year	Submit sample any Tuesday morning			
Physical fitness checkup	9:00-11:30	Medical Association Medical Center	20 years old and over; 5 types of measurement of physical fitness (grip strength, etc.); results by computer	26	-	28	-
Uterine (cervical) cancer check	Anytime	Medical facilities (mornings)	For residents 20 years old and over (1,000 yen); every 2 years				
Breast cancer check	Anytime	Medical facilities (mornings)	30 to 39 years old (400 yen); every 2 years				
Breast cancer check (with screening mammography); appointment required	Every week Mon. to Fri.	Ashiya Municipal Hospital, (Tel: 31-2156, Fax: 22-3319) 39-1 Asahigaoka-cho	Residents 40 years old and over (2,000 yen); apply at Ashiya Municipal Hospital by telephone or fax, stating the desired date, your address, name, phone number, and birth date; * Individuals with a pacemaker or breast implant are not eligible; * It cannot be taken 2 years in a row.	Maximum of 10 persons per day			

## Clinics Open for Emergency on Holidays

(Dentists) 9:00 a.m. -12 noon

Date	Day	Clinic	Address	Phone
March 7	Sun.	Hanaoka Dental Clinic	6-4 Takezono-cho	38-5533
March 14	Sun.	Hamamoto Dental Clinic	7-1-201 Seido-cho	21-2288
March 21	Sun.	Harada Dental Clinic	3-7 Maeda-cho	31-3033
March 22	Mon.	Hirose Dental Clinic	4-8-105 Nishiyama-cho	23-6420
March 28	Sun.	Fujita Dental Office	7-10-201 Kimmitsu-cho	25-0646
April 4	Sun.	Wakabayashi Dental Clinic	4-1-407 Funado-cho	22-4882
April 11	Sun.	Inagaki Dental Clinic	5-19 Ohara-cho	22-2870
April 18	Sun.	Sakita Dental Clinic	4-1-402 Funado-cho	32-4180
April 25	Sun.	Ono Hamakaze Dental Office	3-5 Hamakaze-cho	23-6474
April 29	Thur.	Fujimoto Dental Clinic	5-2-4F Ohara-cho	31-4193
May 2	Sun.	Masuda Dental Clinic	11-15 Shinnozuka-cho	22-5359
May 3	Mon.	Yoshizaki Dental Clinic	4-10 Nishi-ashiya-cho	31-8020
May 4	Tue.	Yorifuji Dental Clinic	1-13 Miyazuka-cho	22-5941
May 5	Wed.	Matsuki Dental Clinic	23-8-101 Kasuga-cho	23-8811
May 9	Sun.	Yoshida Family Dental Clinic	6-12-201 Higashiyama-cho	34-7106
May 16	Sun.	Muraoka Dental Clinic	5-14-202 Higashiyama-cho	34-6430
May 23	Sun.	Ikezawa Dental Clinic	3-9 Matsunouchi-cho	32-1780
May 30	Sun.	Uwazumi Dental Clinic	11-24 Miyazuka-cho	34-1560
June 6	Sun.	Oka Dental Clinic	11-24-206 Ohara-cho	22-0139
June 13	Sun.	Koda Dental Clinic	4-2 Kasuga-cho	25-1182
June 20	Sun.	Onoe Dental Clinic	13-16-401 Sanjominami-cho	38-9640
June 27	Sun.	Kishida Dental Clinic	2-12 Yamate-cho	22-1723

## (Medical Doctors)

Name	Ashiya Municipal Holiday & Emergency Clinic
Location	5-13 Kimmitsu-cho
Phone	21-2782
Departments	Internal Medicine and Pediatrics
Days & Hours	Sundays and Holidays, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. *Night hours: A doctor would need to be on standby at his/her home. Call the Fire Headquarters at Tel. 32-2345
Name	Ashiya Municipal Hospital (Emergency Medical Care)
Location	39-1 Asahigaoka-cho
Phone	31-2156
Departments	Internal Medicine Weekdays (Night hours): 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. of the following day Sat., Sun. & holidays: 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. of the following day
Days & Hours	Pediatrics Saturdays: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. of the following day Sundays: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed on holidays)

## Emergency Dialing

Service	Telephone Number	When to call
Police	110	For thefts, crimes, traffic accidents
Fire Headquarters	119	In case of fire Ambulance call
NTT Disaster Emergency Message Dial (available when a major disaster strikes)	171	Message recording & replaying service to check the safety of families, etc.

**Exhibits at Ashiya City Museum of Art and History** Tel. 38-5432

Feb. 27 (Sat.) to March 7 (Sun.)  
Admission is free for all exhibitions held during this period.

**27th Ashiya City Plastic Art Education Exhibition**

Exhibition by students of kindergarten, elementary and junior high schools in Ashiya

Jan. 5 (Tue.) to March 7 (Sun.)

Admission is free from Feb. 27

**Glimpses of the Showa Era Part IV —Life and Tools—**

A look into the Showa Era through the tools of the period.

There will be an exhibition of Kokin-bina Hina dolls in the Gallery from Feb. 27.

The museum will be closed for change of display from March 8th to 31st.

**Events at Ashiya Municipal Hospital** Tel. 31-2156

**【Matinee Concert】**

**Place:** 5F Outpatients Lobby

April 11 (Sun.), 2:30 p.m.—

Performers: Hiromitsu Hosaka (tenor), Kayoko Kanazawa (piano)

Program: Singing of Japanese lyrics

May 9 (Sun.), 2:30 p.m.—

Performers: to be confirmed

Program: Female chorus ensemble "Petit a Petit"

June 20 (Sun.), 2:30 p.m.—

Performers: Junko Kato (soprano), Itsuka Tanaka (piano)

Program: The World of Misuzu Kaneko

**【Citizens' Gallery】**

April 1 (Thur.) to May 31 (Mon.)

Theme: Photo Exhibit "Birdlife in Ashiya and Rokko Mountains-Parts 1&2"

Author: Hideaki Nobuhara

June 1 (Tue.) to 30 (Wed.)

Theme: Pastel Drawing "Waterscape"

Author: Yuji Yokoyama

**Friday Cinema Salon** Tel. 31-2301

**Starting Time:** 1:30 p.m.

(Doors open at 1:15 p.m.)

**Place:** Ashiya Municipal Library, 2F Meeting Room

**March 5: "Only One Night" (Ichiya Kagiri)**

1939, Sweden, 1 hour 29 minutes

Director: Gustaf Molander

Starring: Edvin Adolphson, Ingrid Bergman

**March 19: "Casablanca" (Kasaburanka)**

1943, U.S.A., 1 hour 43 minutes

Director: Michael Curtiz

Starring: Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman

**EVENTS**

**Tanizaki Junichiro Memorial Museum Program**

**【Exhibition Room】** Tel. 23-5852

Fee: 300 yen (150 yen for residents of Ashiya aged 65 or over)

**◆Permanent Display "Junichiro Tanizaki, the Man and His Literature"**

From Jan. 5 (Tue.) to April 18 (Sun.)

Theme: The life and works of Junichiro Tanizaki

There is a special corner with letters of deep interest showing Tanizaki's attachment to Sarankaku—a historic wooden residence in Kobe designed and owned by himself—, and also items saved from the house at the time of Great Hanshin Awaji Earthquake in 1995.

**◆2010 Special Exhibit**

**"Love Letters—Junichiro Tanizaki and Haruo Sato"**

From April 24 (Sat.) to November 28 (Sun.)

Theme: Contrastive love letters by two closely connected novelists, Junichiro Tanizaki and Haruo Sato, are exhibited, referring to the world of *Tade Kuu Mushi* ("Some Prefer Nettles"), one of Tanizaki's masterpieces.

**【Lobby Gallery】**

Chikako Kanayama and Hiroko Iwai Japanese Paper Dolls Exhibition

From Feb. 24 (Wed.) to March 28 (Sun.)

Shorin Horii Sculptures of Buddha From March 31 (Wed.) to May 9 (Sun.)

Tsutomu Yokota Illustration Exhibit

From May 12 (Wed.) to June 27 (Sun.)

Theme: Colorful and fresh illustrations

\*The museum is closed on Mondays, from March to June (however, it will be open on Mondays which are public holidays, and will close on the subsequent Tuesdays).

Temporary closing for change of display: April 19 (Mon.) to 22 (Thur.)

**Human Rights Theater** Tel. 22-9229

Place: 3F Hall, Kami-miyagawa Cultural Center

Time: 10:30 a.m. & 2:00 p.m.

Seating capacity: 150 people, first-come basis

Note: Japanese movies do not have English subtitles

"Buta ga Ita Kyoshitsu" (School Days with a Pig)

Date: March 27 (Sat.)

Director: Tetsu Maeda

Starring: Satoshi Tsumabuki, Ren Osugi, Mieko Harada

**Announcements from Ashiya Kirakuen Gallery** Tel. 34-4351

Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm (close at 3:00 pm on the last day of each exhibition)

Portraits of 100-year olds

Dates: Feb. 23 (Tue.) to March 4 (Thur.)

ALL Ashiya Kirakuen Exhibition

Dates: March 5 (Fri.) to 23 (Tue.)

Kazuaki Sodo Exhibition Part II

Dates: March 26 (Fri.) to April 6 (Tue.)

Yoshiko Washida Bead Weaving

Dates: April 8 (Thur.) to 15 (Thur.)

Takahiko Nagakari Travel Photo Exhibition Part VI

Dates: April 17 (Sat.) to 30 (Fri.)

Misao Nishimoto Art Exhibition

Dates: May 2 (Sun.) to 14 (Fri.)

isop Photo Exhibition

Dates: May 16 (Sun.) to 30 (Sun.)

Kazuko Kondo Photo Exhibition

Dates: June 1 (Tue.) to 14 (Mon.)

Keiko Inoue Japanese Painting Exhibition

Dates: June 16 (Wed.) to 30 (Wed.)



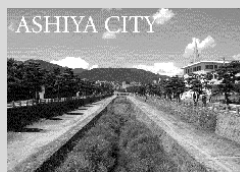
**Main Events at Municipal Schools**

(March to June)

Ashiya City Board of Education School Education Section Tel:38-2087

March	
<b>Graduation Ceremony</b>	
Junior High Schools	10 (Wed.)
Kindergartens	17 (Wed.)
Elementary Schools	19 (Fri.)
<b>Term Closing Ceremony</b>	
Kindergarten	19 (Fri.)
Elementary and Junior High Schools	25 (Thur.)
April	
<b>Term Opening Ceremony</b>	
Elementary and Junior High Schools	7 (Wed.)
Kindergarten	12 (Mon.)
<b>Entrance Ceremony</b>	
Junior High Schools	8 (Thur.)
Elementary Schools	9 (Fri.)
Kindergarten	13 (Tue.)
May	
Toraiyaru (Let's Try) Weeks	From 31 (Mon.)
June	
Sports Festival of Asahigaoka Elementary School	5 (Sat.)

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**GROUP DE CARPE DIEM**

Date & Time: March 23 (Tue.) 14:30-16:00

Theme: Romanesque architecture in France

Lecturer: Prof. André Andjei

Place: ACA Conference Room

Fee: Member 500 yen, Non member 700 yen

Capacity: 40 people (Please make a reservation)

