

4 Apr.
April 4 (Sat.) to July 26 (Sun.)
Tokiwaso Manga Museum Special Exhibition
Fuji Akatsuka 90th Anniversary: "The Birth of the King of Gag Manga"
Fuji Akatsuka Exhibition: "It All Began with 'Nama-chan'"
 This special exhibition commemorates the 90th anniversary of the birth of Fuji Akatsuka, the "King of Gag Manga," exploring his creative journey and unique realm of expression.
 📍 Tokiwaso City Tokiwaso Manga Museum 【03-6912-7706】

5th (Sun.)
Somei Yoshino Cherry Blossom Festival
 Held in Komagome, the birthplace of the Somei Yoshino variety of cherry trees. Features many events and local products.
 📍 Somei Yoshino Sakura Memorial Park
 📍 Somei Yoshino Cherry Blossom Festival Executive Committee 【03-3940-2400】

11th (Sat.) to 26th (Sun.)
Otsuka Music Festival
 A music festival in the Otsuka and Sugamo areas. Features free live performances, a "cruise" ticket for visiting various venues, open stages, and more.
 📍 Otsuka and Sugamo areas
 📍 Otsuka Music Festival Executive Committee 【090-9644-9464】

April 14 (Tue.) to June 28 (Sun.)
Kumagai Morikazu Museum of Art 41st Anniversary Exhibition: Morikazu and His Hometown
 This exhibition focuses on Morikazu Kumagai's relationship with his hometown of Tsukechi in Gifu Prefecture. It introduces Tsukechi's image of his hometown through his depictions of landscapes, culture, traditions and garden creatures.
 📍 Kumagai Morikazu Museum of Art 【03-3957-3779】

19th (Sun.)
Curry Festival & Bangladesh Boishakhi Mela
 Celebrate the Bangladesh New Year with us! There will be booths for traditional music and types of cuisine.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park
 📍 NPO Japan Bangladesh Society 【03-3410-1024】

April 25 (Sat.) to August 30 (Sun.)
Showa Retro Museum Spring Special Exhibition
 Experience the fun of games from the Showa Era! A special event for parents and children to celebrate the Showa Day holiday.
 📍 Tokiwaso Street Showa Retro Museum 【03-3565-6991】

April 29 (Wed., national holiday) and May 2 (Sat.) to 5 (Tue., national holiday)
TACT Festival 2026
 A fun festival for both children and adults, featuring circus performances, music, street performances, workshops and more. Popular shops in Toshima set up stalls in the food area.
 📍 Tokyo Metropolitan Theatre, Global Ring Theatre (Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park Outdoor Theater)
 📍 Tokyo Metropolitan Theatre 【03-5391-2111】

5 May
10th (Sun.)
Nagasaki Shishimai (Lion Dance) Procession
 Features a performance of the Nagasaki lion dance — a traditional performing art of Toshima City—and prayers for recovery from illness and a bountiful harvest.
 📍 Nagasaki Shrine (details TBA)
 📍 Nagasaki Shishimai Preservation Society Office, Cultural Projects, Toshima City 【03-3981-1190】

3rd (Sun.) to 24th (Sun.)
Otsuka Spring Rose Festival
 About 710 varieties and 1,210 rose bushes welcome visitors along Otsuka Rose Road and in the station plaza.
 📍 Toden Arakawa Line (Otsuka Station to Mukohara Station) and along the shopping streets around TRAM Pal Otsuka.
 📍 Minami-Otsuka Toden Line Area Council (http://www.toden-rose.com)

14th (Thu.) to 31st (Sun.)
Ikebukuro Art Galleries of Ikebukuro Montparnasse
 A cultural event presenting the concept that the whole community is an art museum.
 📍 Throughout Toshima City, centering on Ikebukuro.
 📍 Ikebukuro West Gate Shopping Street Federation Office (https://kaiyu-art.net/)

16th (Sat.) and 17th (Sun.)
Ikebukuro Jazz Festival 2026
 Semiprofessional and amateur bands show off their skills.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park, other
 📍 Ikebukuro West Gate Shopping Street Federation Office 【03-3981-2336】

Date Undecided
Otsuka Music Festival 2026: Street Corner Live
 A street corner live music show.
 📍 TRAM Pal Otsuka
 📍 Otsuka Music Festival Executive Committee 【03-6914-0333】

6 June
5th (Fri.) to 7th (Sun.)
Tokyo Hula Festa in Ikebukuro 2026
 Ikebukuro becomes a hula town with hula dancing and Hawaiian band performances.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park
 📍 Tokyo Hula Festa in Ikebukuro Executive Committee (within the Toshima City Tourism Association) 【03-3981-5849】

6th (Sat.) and 7th (Sun.)
Sugamo Toshima Merchant Festival
 Features the very popular Shichifukujin Walk Rally. Booths by friendship cities will also be set up.
 📍 Shinshoji Temple, Sugamo Jizo-dori Shopping Street, other
 📍 Toshima Shopping District 【03-3981-5445】

7 July
17th (Fri.) and 18th (Sat.)
Kishimojin Bon-Odori Dance
 A traditional summer event in Zoshigaya.
 📍 Kishimojin-do 【03-3982-8347】

Scheduled for late July to August
Toshima Art Summer Festival 2026
 This art festival features various events—including theater, dance, and live music—that are sure to delight everyone from children to adults at multiple venues throughout Toshima City.
 📍 Various locations in Toshima City
 📍 NPO Arts Network Japan 【050-5527-2731】

8 Aug.
Early August to late December
Toshima Museum Rally 2026
 A stamp rally visiting art museums and museums in Toshima City
 📍 Various museums in Toshima City (including the Ancient Orient Museum, Toshima City Municipal Museum of Local History and Culture, and Jiyu Gakuen Myonichikan).
 📍 Ancient Orient Museum 【03-3989-3491】

20th (Thu.)
54th Toshima City Consumer Life Exhibit
 Includes a quiz rally for elementary school students, exhibits by consumer groups, hands-on activity corners, and more.
 📍 Toshima Center Square
 📍 Industrial Promotion, Toshima City 【03-4566-2416】

29th (Sat.)
Tokyo Otsuka Awa-odori Dance
 A dance held since 1972, with over 1,000 dancers participating every year.
 📍 Otsuka Station Minamiguchi Odori Ave.
 📍 Hayashi Meat Shop 【03-3971-0324】

9 Sep.
Date Undecided
38th Ikebukuro Play Festival
 This unique community-based theater festival features performing groups active in Toshima City and 100 publicly recruited judges scoring their performances.
 📍 Theaters in Toshima City
 📍 Ikebukuro Play Festival Executive Committee Office 【070-7404-7855】

5th (Sat.) and 6th (Sun.)
Ikebukuro East Gate Toshima Merchant Festival
 Features stands of various Toshima shopping district stores and friendship cities.
 📍 Naka-Ikebukuro Park
 📍 Toshima Shopping District 【03-3981-5445】

Scheduled for the 11th (Fri.) to 13th (Sun.)
TOKYO MET SaLaD MUSIC FESTIVAL 2026
 A music festival where everyone can experience and express the joy of music. Tokyo Metropolitan Theatre and the Ikebukuro area
 📍 SaLaD Music Festival Office 【03-6704-9342】 (https://salad-music-fes.com/)

26th (Sat.) and 27th (Sun.)
Fukuro Festival: Mikoshi Festival
 Features a dance show and band performances. The *mikoshi* (portable shrine) parade is a must-see.
 📍 Ikebukuro Station west exit plaza, Azalea-dori Ave.
 📍 Fukuro Festival Council (https://www.yosakoitokyo.gr.jp/)

10 Oct.
October 9 (Fri.) to November 3 (Tue., national holiday)
Performing Arts Festival: Autumn Meteorite 2026 Tokyo
 Features a lineup of programs that everyone can join and enjoy, including performances from Japan and abroad, workshops, talk sessions and more.
 📍 Tokyo Metropolitan Theatre
 📍 Tokyo Festival Executive Committee Office 【03-6812-1663】

10th (Sat.) and 11th (Sun.)
Fukuro Festival: Dance Festival and Yosakoi Contest
 The area will be full of dance performances, including Tokyo *yosakoi* and Ikebukuro *yassa* dances.
 📍 Ikebukuro Station west exit plaza, Azalea-dori Ave., other
 📍 Fukuro Festival Council (https://www.yosakoitokyo.gr.jp/)

11th (Sun.) and 12th (Mon., national holiday)
Ikebukuro Honcho Toshima Merchant Festival
 A festival featuring community-participation events, local products of suburban cities, and other attractions.
 📍 Ikebukuro Honcho Park
 📍 Toshima Shopping District 【03-3981-5445】

11th (Sun.) to 25th (Sun.)
Otsuka Autumn Rose Festival
 About 710 varieties and 1,210 rose bushes welcome visitors along Otsuka Rose Road and in the station plaza.
 📍 Toden Arakawa Line (Otsuka Station to Mukohara Station) and along the shopping streets around TRAM Pal Otsuka.
 📍 Minami-Otsuka Toden Ensen Council (http://www.toden-rose.com)

12th (Mon., national holiday)
Toshima Sports Festival 2026
 This event, organized by the Sports Promotion Committee, lets visitors try a variety of sports.
 📍 Toshima City General Sports Ground
 📍 Sports Promotion Group, Lifelong Learning and Sports, Toshima City 【03-4566-2764】

16th (Fri.) to 18th (Sun.)
Oeshiki Ceremony
 A night procession for the Buddhist priest Nichiren with lanterns covered in cherry blossoms made of Japanese paper creating a fantastic sight.
 📍 Kishimojin
 📍 Kishimojin 【03-3982-8347】

October 17 (Sat.) to December 20 (Sun.)
Kamishibai Made in Toshima: Japanese Picture-Story Shows During and After the War
 A special exhibition about *kamishibai* produced in Toshima City during and immediately after the war.
 📍 Toshima City Municipal Museum of Local History and Culture
 📍 Toshima City Municipal Museum of Local History and Culture 【03-3980-2351】

22nd (Thu.) to 24th (Sat.)
34th Toshima City Traditional Craft Exhibition
 This exhibition showcases works created by master artisans possessing various historical and traditional skills.
 📍 Toshima Center Square
 📍 Industrial Promotion, Toshima City 【03-4566-2747】

10 Oct.
24th (Sat.)
Folk Entertainment in Toshima 2026
 This event offers performances of Toshima City's intangible folk cultural properties, as well as folk performing arts and ethnic dances from across Japan.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park Outdoor Theater
 📍 Toshima Mirai Cultural Foundation 【03-3590-7118】

24th (Sat.) and 25th (Sun.)
Otsuka Toshima Merchant Festival
 Features stands of various Toshima shopping district stores and friendship cities, and other attractions.
 📍 JR Otsuka Station south and north plazas, and free passageway
 📍 Toshima Shopping District 【03-3981-5445】

Late October to early November
Tokyo Cultural Heritage Week 2026
 Offers exhibitions, workshops and other events introducing cultural properties in Toshima City.
 📍 Important Cultural Property Jiyu Gakuen Myonichikan
 📍 Cultural Projects, Toshima City 【03-3981-1190】

Scheduled for October to November
Ikebukuro Autumn Culture Festival
 Enjoy manga, anime and cosplay at the biggest event in autumn.
 📍 Ikebukuro east exit area, Tokiwaso Manga Museum, other
 📍 Manga, Anime and Tokiwaso Promotion, Toshima City 【03-4566-2758】

Date Undecided
Ikebukuro Art Galleries of Ikebukuro Montparnasse
 An art event based on the concept that "the whole city is a museum"
 📍 Throughout Toshima City, centering on Ikebukuro
 📍 Ikebukuro Art Galleries (https://kaiyu-art.net/)

11 Nov.
1st (Sun.)
Tokyo Metropolitan Symphony Orchestra Toshima Culture Day Special Concert 2026
 A special concert for everyone from children to adults.
 📍 Toshima Arts and Culture Theater (Tokyo Tatemono Brillia Hall)
 📍 Cultural Projects, Toshima City 【03-4566-2750】

1st (Sun.)
Toshima Culture Day: Toshimakko Fes 2026
 The day includes workshops for children presented by local businesses, organizations and artists.
 📍 Jiyu Gakuen Myonichikan
 📍 Cultural Projects, Toshima City 【03-4566-2750】

1st (Sun.) to 3rd (Tue., national holiday)
Toshima Street Fes 2026
 A festival of street culture featuring "urban sports × music × art" performances.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park, Naka-Ikebukuro Park, other
 📍 City Promotion, Toshima City 【03-4566-2513】

Scheduled for November 1 (Sun.) to February
Showa Retro Museum Autumn Special Exhibition
 A special exhibition themed on everyday life and culture in the Showa era
 📍 Tokiwaso Street Showa Retro Museum
 📍 Tokiwaso Street Showa Retro Museum 【03-3565-6991】

6th (Fri.) to 14th (Sat.)
Sugamo Nakasendo Chrysanthemum Festival
 This popular annual event features scenes from folktales re-created with chrysanthemum flowers.
 📍 Shinshoji Temple, other
 📍 Sugamo Jizo-dori Shopping Street Promotion Association 【03-3918-2101】

14th (Sat.) and 15th (Sun.)
Ikebukuro Global Ring Music Festival 2026
 This is a two-day music festival held on the stage at Nishiguchi Park.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park
 📍 Tourism, Toshima City 【03-3981-1316】

23rd (Mon., national holiday)
IKE-Biz Festa
 Enjoy culture and sports with family and friends at this interactive event.
 📍 Toshima Industrial Promotion Plaza (IKE-Biz)
 📍 Toshima Industrial Promotion Plaza 【03-3980-3131】

23rd (Mon., national holiday)
Somei Yoshino Sakura-no-Furusato Autumn Festival
 Booths and product exhibits convey the charms of Komagome, where the Somei Yoshino cherry tree originated.
 📍 Somei Yoshino Sakura Memorial Park
 📍 Somei Yoshino Sakura-no-Sato Komagome Council 【03-3940-2400】

Date to be decided
Minami-Nagasaki Dream Rainbow Event
 An event in the town of Tokiwaso where a rainbow mosaic art piece from everyone's dreams is created.
 📍 Around Minami-Nagasaki Tokiwaso Street
 📍 Tokiwaso Collaborative Project Council (https://tokiwaso.tokyo/rainbow7rch/)

12 Dec.
12th (Sat.)
IKEBUS Festival
 A transportation event that celebrates the seventh anniversary of IKEBUS, where visitors can have fun experiencing the appeal of public transportation.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park
 📍 City Planning, Toshima City 【03-4566-2691】

Toshima City Event Calendar

From April 2026 to March 2027

2027

1 Jan.
31st (Sun.)
Shiinamachi Toshima Merchant Festival
 Features stands set up by Toshima shopping district stores and friendship cities, and a grand lottery.
 📍 In the open space under Shiina Bridge, and center and north sides
 📍 Toshima Shopping District 【03-3981-5445】

2 Feb.
3rd (Wed.)
Setsubun Festival
 Celebrities with a connection to the area are invited, and people throw roasted soybeans and chant "Fuku wa uchil!" ("Come in, luck!").
 📍 Kishimojin-do 【03-3982-8347】

19th (Fri.) and 20th (Sat.)
20th Toshima Monozukuri Messe
 The event displays products and merchandise from various companies. There are also hands-on manufacturing classes.
 📍 Naka-Ikebukuro Park, Toshima Civic Center
 📍 Toshima Monozukuri Messe Executive Committee Office

3 Mar.
27th (Sat.) and 28th (Sun.)
Ikebukuro West Gate Toshima Merchant Festival
 Features stands set up by Toshima shopping district stores and friendship cities as well as performances by local groups.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park
 📍 Toshima Shopping District 【03-3981-5445】

2026-2027 All year

All year
Zoshigaya Shichifukujin Tour
 Visit seven sites dedicated to the Seven Gods of Good Fortune while strolling among temples and shrines in the Zoshigaya area, just a short distance from Ikebukuro.
 📍 Kishimojin, Otori Shrine, other
 📍 Zoshigaya Information Center 【03-6912-5026】

Wednesdays, in principle
Tokyo Music Evening Yube
 This is a full-scale classical concert held, in principle, on Wednesday evenings.
 📍 Ikebukuro Nishiguchi Park
 📍 Tourism, Toshima City 【03-3981-4623】

Held regularly
Toshima City Tokiwaso Manga Museum (Special Exhibition)
 This museum re-creates Tokiwaso, the legendary apartment building where manga masters spent their youthful days. Special exhibitions themed on manga and anime are held regularly. An anniversary event is also scheduled for July 7, the museum's opening anniversary.
 📍 Toshima City Tokiwaso Manga Museum 【03-6912-7706】

Held regularly
Zoshigaya Information Center Gallery Exhibition
 Paintings, photographs and other works connected with the local area are exhibited.
 📍 Zoshigaya Information Center, 2nd-floor gallery
 📍 Zoshigaya Information Center 【03-6912-5026】

Held regularly [Dates: 4/4 (Sat.), 5/2 (Sat.), 6/6 (Sat.), 10/30 - 11/1]
Ikebukuro Living Loop
 Based on the concept of "everyday life with a living room in the city," this market-format event allows visitors to enjoy lifestyle goods, food and drink, workshops and performances right on the sidewalk.
 📍 Ikebukuro East Exit Green Boulevard, Minami-Ikebukuro Park, other
 📍 City Planning, Toshima City 【03-4566-2640】

November 1 is Toshima Culture Day!
 To promote community development through culture and pass it on to the next generation, Toshima City designates November 1 each year as Toshima Culture Day and November 1 to 7 as Toshima Culture Promotion Week, strengthening its cultural events.

Legend: 📍 Venue 📍 Inquiries
 Note: Event start dates are tentative. Events are subject to change depending on circumstances.
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★ Please visit the city website for details ▶▶



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10 Fun Places to Enjoy in Toshima City

The more you walk, the more you'll love this city.



Check out "10 Fun Places to Enjoy in Toshima City" on [Google Maps](#)!

Look for the Toshima Nanamaru icon.

Official Toshima City Tourism [Instagram](#)
Sharing recommended spots and events in Toshima City. @toshima_tokyo_tourism

01

Lose track of time exploring the beauty of Frank Lloyd Wright's architecture

Ikebukuro

Important Cultural Property Jiyu Gakuen Myonichikan

This is a representative example of modern architecture in Toshima City. You can spend a relaxing time here and forget you're in the middle of the city.

📍 2-31-3 Nishi-Ikebukuro, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (last admission 3:30 p.m.)
Evening viewing day: Third Friday of each month, 6 to 9 p.m. (last admission 8:30 p.m.)
🌸 Holiday viewing day*: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last admission 4:30 p.m.)
* On designated days only, about once a month.
Closed on Mondays (or the following day, if Monday falls on a public holiday or substitute holiday), and during the year-end and New Year's holidays.
Note: Irregular closures and viewing hour changes may occur, so please check before you go.

06

A different world right next to the Ikebukuro area

Mejiro

Toshima City Mejiro Garden

A traditional stroll garden in Japan centers around a pond. The reflection of the traditional *sukiya*-style teahouse here known as Sekichoan in the pond is breathtakingly beautiful.

📍 3-20-18 Mejiro, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (until 7 p.m. in July and August)
🌸 Closed on the second and fourth Mondays of each month (or the following day, if they fall on a public holiday), and during the year-end and New Year's holidays (December 29 to January 3)

02

Look up at the buildings while lounging on the lawn

Ikebukuro

Toshima City Minami-Ikebukuro Park

This park's lush green lawn and adjoining café make it a relaxing place to spend time with family and friends.

📍 2-21-1 Minami-Ikebukuro, Toshima
🕒 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
🌸 Closed December 31 to January 3

03

Come see penguins "flying" overhead

Ikebukuro

Sunshine Aquarium

The outdoor Marine Garden area features the enchanting sight of penguins swimming overhead as if flying through the sky, with Ikebukuro's skyscrapers in the background.

📍 3-1 Higashi-Ikebukuro, Toshima, Tokyo
Sunshine City World Import Mart Building Rooftop
🕒 Opening hours vary depending on the day.
🌸 For details on closing days and other information, please see the official website.

04

The legendary apartment building reimagined, recalling the world manga masters once inhabited.

Minami Nagasaki

Toshima City Tokiwaso Manga Museum

This museum faithfully re-creates the apartment building where manga masters such as Osamu Tezuka and Fujiko Fujio once lived. You should also visit the nearby Tokiwaso Street Rest Space.

📍 3-9-22 Minami-Nagasaki, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (last admission 5:30 p.m.)
🌸 Closed every Monday (or the following weekday, if Monday falls on a public holiday)
Also closed during the year-end and New Year's holidays and exhibition changeover periods

05

Experience the world of small creatures and flowers through art

Chiyaya

Toshima City Kumagai Morikazu Museum of Art

This art museum is located in a quiet residential neighborhood near Kanamecho Station. The works of the painter the museum is named for, who loved small insects and flowers, have a soothing charm.

📍 2-27-6 Chiyaya, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (last admission 5 p.m.)
🌸 Closed on Mondays (regardless of whether they are public holidays) and during the year-end and New Year's holidays (December 25 to January 7)
Note: Temporary closures may occur.

07

Stroll through Zoshigaya under the watch of 400-year-old zelkova trees

Zoshigaya

Zoshigaya Information Center

In one corner of the zelkova-lined street stands the Zoshigaya Information Center, which features exhibits related to Zoshigaya and offers local traditional toys for sale. Please stop by during your walk while enjoying the sunlight filtering through the zelkova trees.

📍 3-19-5 Zoshigaya, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
🌸 Closed in principle every Thursday and at year-end

08

Pull the thorns from your heart and leave with a smile: Enjoy a stroll through "Grandma's Harajuku" using all five senses

Sugamo

Sugamo Jizo-dori Shopping Street

On this shopping street a guardian deity, Togenuki Jizoson, warmly welcomes people seeking comfort for body and mind. Offering famous *shio daitoku* (lightly salted red bean rice cake) and fun shopping, Sugamo Jizo-dori is a place that leaves you feeling more energized with every step.

📍 4-22-8 Sugamo, Toshima, Tokyo
Note: The operating hours and regular closing days vary by shop.

09

Amber-colored waters for beautiful skin, rising from deep beneath Komagome

Komagome

Tokyo Somei Onsen Sakura

This natural hot-spring facility possesses the atmosphere of an upscale Japanese inn. Named after Somei, the former name of this area where the Somei Yoshino cherry tree originated, Tokyo Somei Onsen Sakura offers amber-colored natural hot spring baths, open-air baths, and saunas for a refreshing experience. It's a classy hideaway perfect for grown-ups to end a day of strolling.

📍 5-4-24 Komagome, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. (last reception 10:30 p.m.)
Note: Some services have different hours.
🌸 There are no regular closing days, but the facility is closed for maintenance about once a month.

10

Enjoy fluffy, freshly made onigiri, one of Otsuka's proud specialties

Otsuka

Onigiri Bongo

This legendary shop often has waits of several hours. Onigiri Bongo's warm, generously filled *onigiri* are worth the wait, though, and are one of Toshima City's signature local foods.

📍 2-27-5 Kita Otsuka, Toshima, Tokyo
🕒 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
🌸 Closed on Sunday.

Shopping

Spa

Beautiful

Yummy!

Take a relaxing break at the café

After satisfying your appetite at Bongo, take a stroll along Otsuka Rose Road

Wow!