### A Newsletter for Foreign Nationals

## Ota City Navigation



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## **Ota City Tourist Information Center**



#### Content

The Ota City Tourist Information Center provides information for sightseeing in Ota City and nearby areas. It is certified (Category 2) by the Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO).

Offering a variety of multilingual tourist pamphlets, the center presents Ota City attractions that do not appear in guidebooks, including restaurants that are popular among the locals and sightseeing spots.

It is also a place to enjoy shopping for local handicrafts and specialty goods, including items in the "Selected 100 Souvenirs from Ota," and hosts participatory culture courses (such as "handson origami" and "bookmark-making") and seasonal exhibits and workshops.

Service in Japanese and English is always available, and there are people on staff who can speak Chinese, Korean, and Malay.
Please visit the website for more information.

#### When

9:00 am to 9:00 pm Open every day of the year

#### Where

Wing Kitchen Keikyu Kamata M2F, 4-50-11 Kamata, Ota-ku Near the ticket gate of Keikyu Kamata Station

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## **Introducing Six New "Cool OTA-KU**

We asked the new ambassadors about what they would recommend to visitors to Ota City and their reasons for coming to Japan.



Name

Question items

- Nationality
- Please tell us your reason for coming to Japan.
- Please tell us something you would like to do as part of your ambassador duties?
- Please tell us a place you recommend (a place you like) in Ota City?



👖 Gahatraj Naresh

Nepal



- When I was a child, my father told me that Japanese products are the best. I'd been interested in Japan ever since then.
- 4 I want to hold teleconferences and learn with everyone how to do ambassador activities effectively.
- My favorite place is Ikegami Honmonji Temple. It is located on high ground and so has beautiful views of the town.



- Jeffrey Scott Cross
- 2 USA



- I came to Japan to do research at a National Research Laboratory in Tsukuba 27 years ago as a Japan Science and Technology Agency post-fellow. Afterwards, I worked at Fujitsu Laboratories Ltd. in Atsugi and became a Professor at Tokyo Tech in 2008.
- I enjoy meeting Japanese residents of Ota-ku in order to learn about good places to eat and drink. I also like to meet international residents and visitors to tell them about Ota-ku's interesting places to visit.
- I like going to the Tamagawa riverbank and riding my bicycle for exercise. I also enjoy sitting on my balcony and watching the airplanes take off and land at Haneda Airport.



- 1 Lee Angelina
- 2 Singapore



- 3 I liked Japan and decided to come after hearing a lot about it from an older friend who had studied here.
- It might be a little difficult right now, but I want to participate in events where it's possible to interact with Japanese and foreigners living in Ota City.
- Perhaps it's the area around Kamata Station.
  I still don't know Ota City well. But there are many different shops around Kamata Station, which is an area that I do know. I can find everything from restaurants to variety stores. I think it's quite convenient, as I can buy most things without having to go all the way to Shinjuku or Shibuya.

## Ambassadors" for 2020





- Szabo Attila Pekka
- 2 Hungary
- 3 My first visit to Japan was in 2018 with my Japanese wife. I fell in love with the country, its cultural heritage, its landscapes, and the respect the people have towards each other. My wife and I decided to move to Japan so I can learn more about her homeland and to start a family here together.
- I would like to host some intercultural activities. For example, I am interested in sharing food culture and think it would be great if foreigners could learn about Japanese culture. I would also like to help visitors to Ota City who need local guidance in a foreign language and to present the attractive aspects of Ota's localities from a foreign perspective. And I want to participate in programs organized by Ota City and promote them to foreign residents of Tokyo.
- I really like Onsens (hot springs) where I can relax and refresh my body and soul. My favorite in Ota City is "nu-land" because it is affordable, has several pools, and is spacious.

  Furthermore, Ota City is famous for its diverse restaurant options. I highly recommend Ramen Hiiki. You often have to wait more than an hour to be seated, but if you're not in a rush, it's worth the wait.



- Kim Yu-Song
- 2 South Korea
- 3 I came as an international student about 20 years ago to prepare to enter a Japanese university.
- I want to tell people all about Ota City's attractiveness as a gateway to Tokyo and Japan.
- Senzokuike Pond. It is blessed with nature, which is rare in Tokyo's 23 special wards.



- Lucas dos Santos Cardoso Ferreira
- 2 Brazil
- I am an international student (1 year studying the Japanese language and 2 years at Nihon Kogakuin College).
- I want to present the culture of Brazil to the people of Ota City. I want to show them that Brazilian culture goes far beyond Carnival and soccer. We are the largest country in Latin America, so I'm sure there are a lot of cool and interesting things I can talk about.
- I would recommend the Sunrise Kamata shopping street. There are many cool bars and shops to hang out in with friends.



## The "Elementary School Guide for Foreign Parents and Guardians" is a useful resource for you and your child.

### To foreign parents and guardians,

The "Elementary School Guide for Foreign Parents and Guardians" is a booklet that provides an easy-to-understand explanation of Ota City's elementary schools. It is available on GOCA's website. Prepared in six languages (simple Japanese, English, Chinese, Tagalog, Nepali, and Vietnamese), it will help you familiarize yourself with Ota City's elementary schools. It will also come in handy when preparing your child to enter elementary school. We encourage you to make use of it.

### Main content

- · Procedures up to admission
- · Annual school schedule
- · A day in school
- The roles of parents and guardians (during admission, duties performed every day, and duties performed several times per vear)
- · Supplies used at or prepared for school
- · School-related fees
- · Words used at school, glossary, etc.

A "parent/guardian"

is a father, mother, or anyone else who raises a child.

The guide can be viewed free of charge through the GOCA website.

https://www.ota-goca.or.jp/schoolguide/

It can also be downloaded for printing by scanning the 2D code provided.







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# Residents' Activities Exhibit Experience the "power" of the community!

"Residents' activities" are activities through which inhabitants of Ota City support fellow members of their community.

Normally, these activities would be presented to the public through an "NPO and Residents' Activities Forum." However, Ota City has decided to cancel the FY2020 forum in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and hold a Residents' Activities Exhibit instead. We invite everyone to drop by the exhibit and learn about the various kinds of support that are taking place in the community.

**Exhibit** period

Monday, January 18, to Thursday, January 21, 2021

\* The exhibit will be open during Ota City Office's business hours. It will close at 4:30 pm on the final day.



Central display area, 3rd floor, Ota City Office

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## Regarding inhabitant tax payments (fourth payment)

The fourth payment of the special city inhabitant tax and metropolitan inhabitant tax (inhabitant tax) is due on February 1.

Please mark your calendar and remember to make your payment on time!

Visit the Ota City website if you have questions about tax payments.

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