HARA MUSEUM ARC

Art in Town: Day Trip Bus Tour to Nakanojo Biennale 2023 (departing from Takasaki Station) September 23 (Sat./national holiday)





Atsuko Yamagata, Mountain Landscape ©NAKANOJO BIENNALE 2023

Anita Gratzer, Glöckler ©NAKANOJO BIENNALE 2023

This one-day bus tour, which departs from and returns to Takasaki, will take participants to the Nakanojo Biennale 2023 in Nakanojo, Gunma prefecture. It is a guided tour that includes visits to the Former Gotanda School, Isamamura, Yamase / Iwamoto Silkworm Farmhouse and other venues. Participants will be treated to a talk by Yuji Nishijima, one the participating artists, at the Yamase / Iwamoto Silkworm Farmhouse.

About the Nakanojo Biennale (from the Nakanojo Biennale official website)

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The Nakanojo Biennale is an international contemporary art festival held every two years in Nakanojo, Gunma prefecture. Surrounded by magnificent mountain scenery, Ramsar wetlands, hot spring villages with deep histories, sericulture, festivals, and traditional folk events,

Nakanojo Town offers visitors the unique opportunity to experience beautiful satoyama culture that cannot be found anywhere else. Artists stay and work in this unique mountain village community and present their creations during the Nakanojo Biennale. For the ninth Nakanojo Biennale 2023, we are calling for a wide range of artists from Japan and abroad with innovative ideas and projects from various fields.

Date: September 23, 2023 (Saturday/national holiday)

Boarding/Disembarkation Points: West Exit of JR Takasaki Station or Nakanojo Station *Participants can choose to join the tour at Nakanojo Station.

Capacity: 27 people (minimum number: 18) *Transport will be provided by a single medium-sized bus. **Participation Fee:** 7,900 yen per person *7,400 yen for participants who board at Nakanojo Station.

Children (ages 6 to 12) 7,400 yen

%The fee covers lunch, bus transport and travel/accident insurance.

Payment

After your reservation has been confirmed, an invoice and payment details will be emailed to you by the travel agent Fukurokouji Tabi to Hon to Hito.

*You will need to purchase a "Nakanojo Biennale Passport" (1,500 yen) separately. You can buy a passport on the bus on the day of the tour.

*Please board and disembark at the same location. Please note that no refund will be provided to those who board at JR Takasaki Station, but decide to disembark at Nakanojo Station.

*If you come to Nakanojo Station by private car, please use the Nakanojo Biennale parking area next to the station.



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Schedule (tentative)

09:50 [Takasaki] Pick up participants at West Exit of JR Takasaki Station.

11:30 [Nakanojo] Meet up with participants at Nakanojo Station. Have lunch at Nakanojo Gardens.

* Please enjoy a bento box lunch at the popular Okowa Cafe Otenokubo in Nakanojo-machi.

13:00 Depart from Nakanojo Gardens.

13:10 Arrive at the former Gotanda School.

13:50 Depart from the former Gotanda School.

14:00 Arrive at Isamamura.

14:45 Depart from Isamamura.

14:55 Arrive at Yamase / Iwamoto Silkworm Farmhouse/ Artist Talk: Scheduled speakers include Yuji Nishijima and others.

15:45 Depart from Yamase / Iwamoto Silkworm Farmhouse.

16:00 Arrive at Tsumuji for sightseeing and shopping at the official store.

16:30 Depart from Tsumuji.

16:40 Arrive at Nakanojo Station. Participants disembark.

18:00 [Takasaki] Arrive at West Exit of JR Takasaki Station. Participants disembark.

*The above schedule is subject to change due to traffic conditions.

*Walking will be required at some places, so please wear comfortable shoes.

*Please bring a parasol or rain umbrella.

Reservations

• Priority reservations for Hara Museum ARC members will be accepted until July 17 (Monday/holiday).

o Reservation requests from the general public will be accepted from Tuesday, July 18.

• Supporting Members or Friend/Pair Members can make priority reservations for up to two persons.

Making a Reservation

Please send an email to member@haramuseum.or.jp with "September 23 Bus Tour Reservation" on the subject line and the following items in the body:

- Membership number
- Names and addresses of all participants
- Representative contact information (a cell phone number that can be reached on the day of the tour)
- · Desired boarding location (Takasaki or Nakanojo.)

*Your reservation will be considered confirmed when you receive a reply. If you do not receive a reply within one week, please contact us.

*Reservations will be closed when the capacity has been reached.

Travel Planning and Execution

Minamikami-cho Taiken Ryoko

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Work Days: Wednesday to Monday (except on a national holiday or during the year-end break)