

The Chiyoda International

AUTUMN

Wrapping Magic

[A BIT OF A CULTURE]

Though you may have been told otherwise, it is not always what's on the inside that counts. In Japanese gift-giving, the presentation of a gift is as important as its contents, if not more so. A great deal of care and effort goes towards wrapping the gift with beautiful special paper or traditional furoshiki cloth dressing it with ribbons. The beauty of how a wrapping opens is also a part of the gift, making opening it that much more exciting.

I always send a lot of my thoughts to the person who will receive and open my gift, to enjoy the presentation of the gift, too. For the Japanese, Gift-giving is not simply giving things to the others, but giving the one very warm thoughts through the things.

In this season, it is nice to visit the stationery stores. You will even find a variety of wrapping papers and ribbons in beautiful gradation and patterns of autumn foliage.



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Disaster Prevention

What is a disaster?

Let's learn about disasters, their types, trends and damage.

1. Natural Disasters
2. Human-Induced Hazard/ Man-Caused Disasters
For example, CBRNE Disasters (chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, explosive)
3. Complex Disasters



Preparation is the first step to success. Hope for the best, prepare for the worst.

The country is in one of the most seismically active regions in the world, so that municipal governments recommend citizens to prepare emergency kits and small stockpile at least for 3 days' essential necessities. Try to keep at least some bottled water nearby. Water, electricity and gas may not return for days or even weeks after a major earthquake, that is why water is the single most important thing to stockpile. Keep bottled water at home and in the offices. Also keep nourishing food that can be eaten with minimal preparation. The good news is that many of the items you will need are available at supermarkets, do-it-yourself-stores, and convenience stores. What I found is the "alpha rice", which can be stored for a long time and requires only added water as preparation (to eat). I have also found some of the ready-to-eat food, which you can eat without heating, such as curry and BBQ chicken. You can purchase them online or at the shop. I have already tried them, finding taste good. There is also bread packed in germ-proof packaging that can be stored for up to one year, therefore, they can be used as emergency provisions. Some snack foods available at convenience stores can be emergency foods. Just a small bit of effort in your daily life will be a huge help during a disaster. There are some things you can start preparing now.



If an Earthquake Strikes--

One never knows when, where or on what scale an earthquake may strike. It is a good idea to be mentally prepared all the time so that you can calmly take proper action in an emergency. Chiyoda City designated as a "stayed in" area because of its numerous reinforced concrete buildings, which do not get burned easily. It means that it is more secure to stay in the buildings. Thus unlike other cities in Tokyo, Chiyoda City parks have not been designated as evacuation places. However, as large open spaces, these parks are obviously safe place in case of spreading fire or an earthquake. Schools also become shelters in that case.

Temporary Gathering Evacuation Areas are location for evacuate staying safe from spreading fire and other dangers. (e.g., large parks, public squares, Chiyoda City Branch Offices)

Evacuation Sites are location for evacuation and temporarily accommodation. They serve as centers to provide information, to distribute food and to perform first aid for residents. (e.g., Public Schools, Fujimi-mirai-kan Community Center, Kanda Sakura-kan Community Center, Shohei Dorm-kan Community Center, 3331 Arts Chiyoda, Chiyoda Parkside Plaza, Municipal Sports Center)

Population of our City

Day-time population 853,068 (as of October 1, 2015)

Night-time population 67,145 (as of September 1, 2021)

registered foreign residents 2,877 (as of Sep.1, 2021)

For more information about disaster prevention, please check out the Chiyoda City's website and the Disaster Prevention Website (Action Manual)

of Tokyo Metropolitan Government. ⇒

http://www.bousai.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/kitaku_portal/1000047/1000541.html (In English, Chinese, Korean, Thai, Tagalog, Malay, Indonesian, Vietnamese)



Chiyoda City Early Warning/Advisory Disaster Prevention Email Service (free of charge)

PC/Smartphones Feature phones



Have you signed up? In order to improve your safety, Chiyoda City will notify you Early Warning/Advisory through Disaster Prevention Email Service, 'Chiyoda City Early Warning/Advisory'. An Email will be sent out whenever one of the following warnings is issued (you can receive information with your PCs and Smartphones;

Earthquake Early Warning • Weather Advisory • Flood Warning • Landslide Alert • Heat Illness Risk Information • Other Emergency Announcements regarding evacuation and civil protection, etc.

If you think this service helps, please sign up.

<> First of all, send a blank Email to; t-chiyoda@sg-p.jp <> Soon after that you will receive an email sent by Chiyoda City. It has a guide of registration procedure. *note; before you register for the service, please make sure that your electric device can receive emails from the same source with the same domain such as [bousai.city.chiyoda.lg.jp] and [anzen-anshin@bousai.city.chiyoda.lg.jp].

Inquiries: Chiyoda City Disaster Countermeasures & Crisis Management Division/ Tel; 03-5211-4187

* We also hand out the Illustrated Guide to Disaster Prevention and Emergency Procedures (in English, Chinese and Korean).

INSPIRING CHIYODA



KANDA JIMBOCHO BOOKS and CAFEs

Kanda-Jimbocho is famed as one of the world's largest bookselling districts. Even if you do not read Japanese, peruse the stores full of rare books from past eras. It is easy to lose oneself wandering amid the many specialty shops also stocking old Edo-period books, foreign medical texts, literature or philosophy. Manga can also be found at some stores. Numerous shops sell woodblock prints, traditional Japanese Karuta playing cards and other goods. Walking down Suzuran Shopping Street, you can't help feeling a hint of nostalgia even on your first visit. Kanda-Jimbocho is a perfect area to explore classical cafes and antique book shops together. One of the most favorite classical cafes is well known as the first café in Japan that served Vienna coffee: being infused the coffee with whipped cream until the cup is full, Whipped cream is twirled and it looks pretty. With a good novel in one hand and a fresh brewed coffee in the other, you can almost



classical cafe [LADRIO] since 1949

LOCATION; 1-3 Kanda-Jimbocho Chiyoda-ku Tokyo TEL; 03-3295-4788

OPEN 11:45am-6:00pm (L.O.5:30pm) on weekdays/ noon-7:00pm (L.O.6:30pm) on Saturdays&Sundays

feel time slow as you turn the pages in your book, sinking into the seat in the quaint café. These classical cafes are tailored to the often tastes of their owners. It is worth for book lovers to visit Kanda Jimbocho.

Some shops take COVID-19 countermeasures such as making their business hours shorter. Before you visit,

make sure to check the latest information on the respective website. ⇒ <https://jimbou.info/index.html>

Miscellaneous

◆ Free Consultation provided in Chiyoda for Foreign Residents

- Consultation available for a variety of issues
- Professionals are expected to be available
- Interpreters in various languages
- Strict protection of confidentiality

----- Do you need legal counseling?

Date: Saturday, the 11th of December 2021

Time: from 2:00P.M. - 4:00P.M. on a first-come first-served basis,

Place: Citizen's Network for Global Activities (CINGA) Tel: 03-6261-6225

Location: Kanda Kosho Center Building 6th Floor CINGA Office, 2-3 Kanda-Jimbocho, Chiyoda-ku (1 minute walk from the Exit A6 of Tokyo Metro Jimbocho Station)

Free advice is offered for legal problems including visa status, International family matters such as marriage, divorce and inheritance, education, labor-related issue, pensions and insurance, taxes, contracts and criminal matters, etc.
Don't keep your problems to yourself. Please come to the consultations. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

[Professionals in various fields] Lawyers, administrative scriveners, social insurance labor consultants, medical doctors, etc.

[Hosts] Organizations providing Professional Consultation for Foreign Residents

[Secretariat] Tokyo Metropolitan Foundation "TSUNAGARI": Schedule is subject to change. Please visit the Tokyo Intercultural Portal Site (below) for the latest information.

https://tabunka.tokyo-tsunagari.or.jp/english/relay_soudan/index.html

----- Do you need Work-related Consultations?

The Tokyo Metropolitan government hopes to make Tokyo a place where foreign residents find it easy to live and work. When that in mind, Tokyo Labor Consultation Center provides job-related advice to foreigners who work in Tokyo having difficult time or need information. For example, you can ask about

- Work contracts and working conditions
- Paid time off and working hours
- Dismissal or nonpayment of wages

Place: **Tokyo Labor Consultation Center** provides assistance in English/Chinese at the following location. Free of charge, keeping everything strictly confidential.

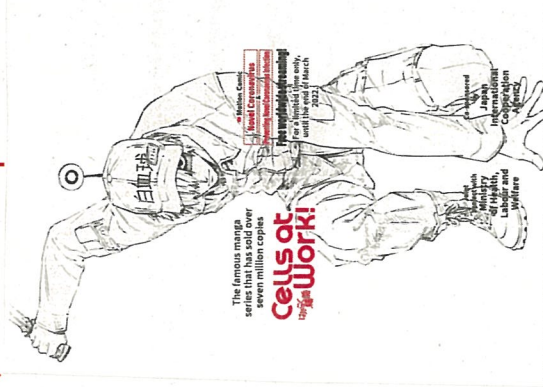
Please make an appointment priorly when you wish to receive consultation.

Location: 3-10-3 Iidabashi, Chiyoda-ku Tel: 03-3265-6110

Time: open Monday through Friday Hours: 2:00p.m. to 4:00p.m.

◆ Please cooperate in the prevention of the Novel Coronavirus.

Wear the face cover, keep an appropriate distance from other people, refrain from talking loudly and get informed about the virus. Here is a popular comic book "Cells at work", which is the series of manga describing great roles of the cells in our body. The creator Akane Shimizu contributed the latest edition regarding the New Coronavirus in order to cooperate in the prevention of the Covid-19 infection. Free movie will be broadcasted till the end of March 2022. (in English/ in Hindi)



[The popular Manga series that has been sold over seven million copies]

"Cells at Work!" Free World wide streaming!!

⇒ <https://shonen-sirius.com/saibou-movingcomic.html>