

# Events in Kyoto

Kyoto Tourist Information Center (Kyo Navi)

Jan 5 – 18, 2026



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## Events

### Jan 8 - 12 Toka Ebisu Festival

Ebisu is the deity of merchants and one of the Seven Lucky Gods. During this event 'fukuzasa' lucky bamboo branches are given out to visitors for a charge. A Shinto dance called kagura is performed. Many food and goods stalls are set up around Ebisu Shrine.

- Jan 8, 14:00 - Yutate Kagura (purification dance with hot water)
- Jan 8 & 9, 9:30 - Hoe Kago (palanquin carrying Toei actresses) starts at Ebisu Shrine



### Jan 9 - 10 Ebisu Festival in Yasaka Shrine

- Procession of the treasure boat carrying Seven Lucky Gods is held on Jan 9
- Route of the procession: departure from Yasaka Shrine at 15:00 → Shijo Karasuma → return to Yasaka Shrine at 16:00
- Yasaka Shrine
- Lucky bamboo branches are given out to visitors for a price

### Jan 12 Housha-sai

- Japanese archery ceremony for expelling evil spirits
- 14:00
- Fushimi Inari Shrine



### Jan 16 Musha Jinji

- Japanese archery ceremony by Shinto priests, meant to expel evil spirits and pray for good luck
- 10:30
- Kamigamo Jinja Shrine



### Jan 18 Toshi-ya

- Japanese archery contest consisting of approximately 2,000 participants who just reached adulthood
- 9:00
- Sanjusangen-do Temple



## Bonsai

### Jan 9 - 11 Shohin Bonsai Gafu-ten (Small Bonsai Fair)

- 9:30 – 16:30 (-15:30 on Jan 11)
- Miyako Messe
- 1,200 yen



## Noh plays

### Jan 11 Kanzekai Reikai (Regular Performances)

- Noh plays "Takasago," "Okina," "Kochō," "Kurama-tengu"
- 11:00
- 9,000 yen for reserved seats / 7,500 yen at the door / 7,000 yen in advance / Students 3,000 yen
- Kyoto Kanze Kaikan Noh Theater
- Inquiries 075-771-6114

### Jan 18 Kongo Teiki Noh (Regular Performances)

- Noh plays "Seiōbo" and "Tamura Nagashougi"
- 13:00 (door opens at 12:00)
- 6,000 yen at the door / 5,500 yen in advance / Students - 3,000 yen
- Kongo Noh Theater
- Inquiries 075-441-7222

## Evening Light-Up

### Until Mar 31 LIGHT CYCLES KYOTO

- 18:00 - 21:30 (last entry 20:00)
- Closed on Jan 5 & 13
- 2,500 yen at the door
- 2,300 yen at Kyo Navi
- Kyoto Botanical Gardens



### Jan 6 - 18 NAKED YORUMAIRI: 130<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Heian Jingu Shrine

- 17:30 - 20:50 (last entry)
- 2,000 yen (Mon – Thu)
- 2,400 yen (Fri – Sun)
- 1,600 yen (Mon – Thu) & 2,000 yen (Fri – Sun) at Kyo Navi
- Heian Jingu Shrine

Tickets available at Kyo Navi

## Museums

### Until Jan 25 Pony Tales: Celebrating the Year of the Horse

- 9:30 - 16:30 (-19:30 on Fri)
- Closed on Jan 5 & 13
- 700 yen
- Kyoto National Museum

### Until Jan 18 Uemura Shoen and the Trajectory of Bijin-ga

- 10:00 - 16:30
- 1,500 yen
- Fukuda Art Museum

### Until Jan 18 Ukiyo-e, the Launch Pad for Bijin-ga

- 10:00 - 16:30
- 1,000 yen
- Saga Arashiyama Museum of Arts and Culture

## Maiko Dance

### Jan 14 Maiko Performance Event: Experience Kyoto's Traditional Culture

- 19:00 – 20:00
- 4,500 yen
- Dance performance, traditional games, photoshoot with maiko
- Reservations: 075-255-2221
- HOTEL INTERGATE Kyoto Shijo Shinmachi

## Concert

### Jan 11 New Year Concert

- 14:30
- Kyoto Concert Hall
- 3,000 - 6,000 yen
- The City of Kyoto Symphony Orchestra
- 075-711-3231

## Markets

*Notice: In case of rain, the market may be cancelled*

### Jan 15 Hyakumanben Handicraft Market

- 8:00 - 16:00
- Hyakumanben Chion-ji Temple

## Gion Corner

Tickets available at Kyo Navi

Traditional Performances Including Kyogen, Maiko Dance, Koto Music on One Stage!

\*You can take photo with maiko after the show

- Tuesday to Friday - 18:00 and 19:00
- No performance on Jan 5
- Seat with Tea and Sweets: 6,050 yen
- Premium Seat: 6,600 yen
- Adults: 5,500 yen
- Age 16-22: 3,850 yen
- Age 7-15: 3,300 yen



## Discover Kyoto Q

### NIDEC KYOTO TOWER Tickets available at Kyo Navi

Enjoy a view 100 meters above the ground! You can also enjoy the night view at the highest place in Kyoto!

- Open: 10:00 - 20:30 (last entry)
- Price: 900 yen
- The cheapest ticket (700 yen) is available at Kyo Navi!



### TOEI KYOTO STUDIO PARK Tickets available at Kyo Navi

The only theme park in Japan where you can observe the filming of period dramas!

Enjoy attractions based on the Edo period such as "Ninja Show", "Samurai Sword Fighting Lesson", etc.

- Open: 10:00-16:00 (last entry)
- Closed from Jan 13 to 23
- Price: 2,400 yen
- 2,200-yen ticket available at Kyo Navi

