

Minami no Kaze

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September is a month to think about disaster prevention. Since earthquake occurs frequently, let's think again and prepare!

First Steps to take if Earthquake Occurs...

Protect your head, go under a sturdy desk!



Secure your exit, but don't run out immediately.

Turn off all the equipment which might cause fire! (e.g. stove, gas, etc.)



★Additional Tips★

- Stay away from windows and cabinets during the earthquake.
- If you are on the elevator, press all the buttons and evacuate as soon as the elevator stops.

Disaster related Multi-language Web site ! Very useful, so please check!

●Yokohama City Disaster Preparedness and Emergencies (English)



<https://www.city.yokohama.lg.jp/lang/residents/en/emergencies/>

●YOKE disaster information site (English)



<https://www.yokesaigai.com/en/>

●Safety Tips (Apps)

All kinds of disaster related information of Japan can be checked from this apps.

- iPhone→ You can download from "app store"
- Android Smart Phone → You can download from "google play"

Seminar Notice

Seminar For Multicultural Related Volunteers

We are seeking for volunteers who want to introduce foreign cultures, games and languages to elementary & junior high schools in Minami Ward, Yokohama. For people who are interested, we will explain the tips of volunteering. There will also be time to talk with other participants.

Ms. Rita introducing her country at elementary of Minami Ward→



- ① Japanese October 3rd (Thursday) 10:00~12:00
- ② Chinese October 3rd (Thursday) 14:00~16:00
- ③ English October 4th (Friday) 15:00~17:00
(up to 15 people for each seminar)

Place : Minami Citizens Activity & Multicultural Lounge (Minami Lounge)

For : 18 years old or older and is either "living in Yokohama" or "working in Yokohama" or "going to school in Yokohama"



How to apply : **Please apply before October 1st, Tuesday**

Please apply by telephone or by visiting Minami Lounge or by English version google forms (QR code)



Tel: 045-232-9544 (Japanese)

045-242-0888 (Foreign language)

※Application can be done in Japanese, English, Chinese. There is no charge for this seminar.

Multicultural Volunteer ⑧

Ms. Ranjana (Rita) Toprani



Ms. Ranjana (Rita) Toprani came to Japan in 1991 for the first time from India (Gujarat district). Since then, she has been going back and forth between India and Japan due to her family reasons. Minami Ward Office introduced her to Minami Lounge when she re-visited Japan in May 2023. Rita started to study at Minami Lounge Japanese class once a week and gradually started to chat with our staff. Now she is one of our Multicultural Volunteer and introduces her culture and her country's delicious recipes. By volunteering, she enjoys meeting people and at the same time she says it enriches her Japanese life.

Her most unforgettable experience was when she introduced an Indian poem at an elementary school. Children who have never heard a word of Hindi repeated the poem beautifully by its sound and it was very beautiful.

In August, she introduced an Indian festival "Diwali" through a workshop by making paper lantern. This workshop was also a huge success!



Minami Lounge Festival

November 17th, Sunday Minna no "Wa!" Festa will be held!

Minami Lounge biggest event, "Minna no "Wa!" Festa will held on 10 th floor of Urafune Fukugou Fukushi Shisetsu building (The building where Minami lounge is located) . Please come with your family and friends!

Date: Nov. 17th (Sunday)
11:00~15:00
(African Special Stage
15:00-15:30)

Place:
Minami Citizens Activity & Multicultural Lounge and Urafune Community House

Many enjoyable events are planned! We will have Minami lounge registered groups & teachers introduction board and short classes, world wide dance & singing performances, Japanese speech by foreign students, international dishes and drinks, and many more exciting plans!
Please come to Minami Lounge to check the event out!



Last year's Minna no "Wa!" Festa

For Foreign Mothers and Fathers A seminar, "How to apply for Kindergarten & Nursery"

You can come with your children!



The seminar will be in English, Chinese and easy Japanese. There will also be an interpreter! If you are thinking of letting your child enter kindergarten or nursery, please come to the seminar!

Date: September 25th (Wednesday) 10:30~11:45
Place: Minami Citizens Activity & Multicultural Lounge
For: 8 Foreigners who are child-rearing in Japan
Fee: Free of charge (0yen)

How to apply: Call (045-232-9544) Minami Citizens Activity & Multicultural Lounge or apply by the QR code. You can also apply by visiting us.



New Minami Lounge Staff

Hello. My name is Youei Yanagita. I came from China on 2003. I wish to support in my language to people who have troubles. Also, I want to interact with other people from different cultures.



Yoroshiku Onegaishimasu!
(よろしく おねがいします)



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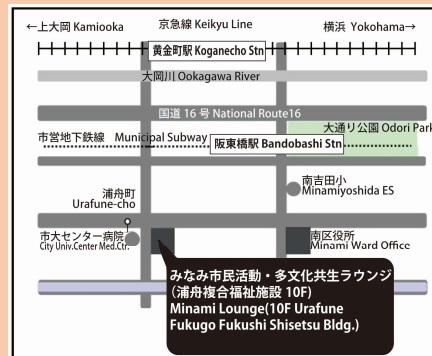
Urafune Fukugo Fukushi Shisetsu 10F, 3-46 Urafune-cho
Minami-ku, Yokohama 232-0024

① **Consultation Desk (Free of charge)** : Mon.-Sun. 9:00-17:00
(Closed on : Every 3rd Mondays · Dec.29 to Jan.3)
Tel. : (Japanese) 045-232-9544
(Foreign Language) 045-242-0888
※Please check below for available languages

② **Free of charge consultation** :
Law (2nd Thurs), Visa (3rd Thurs) and Education (4th Thurs)
※ 13:30-, 14:30- (Appointment needed. Tel.045-242-0888)

[Available languages and days]

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Chinese	Chinese	Chinese English	Chinese Thai	Chinese Tagalog	Chinese	Chinese



Minami Lounge URL
<https://tabunka.minamilounge.com/>

◀ Direction Map