



# Minami no Kaze

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## Minami Lounge Information

### Minami Ward Sakura Information

Spring, Sakura (cherry blossom) season has come. It is a nice season to walk around with family and friends to feel spring. The beautiful cherry blossom will welcome you!



### Minami ward Cherry Blossom Points

#### ●Maita Park

The park where 'Cherry Blossom Festival' will be held  
4min walk from Minamiota st. (Keikyu Line) & 5min walk from Yoshinocho st.(Yokohama Municipal Subway)



### 29<sup>th</sup> Cherry Blossom Festival will be held

Date & Time : Mar.31st(Sun.) 10:00~15:00  
Place: Maita Park

There will be... Stage events, Stalls, Bazaar, store with products from disaster stricken area and many more.

Minami Lounge will be there!  
You can experience various country culture at Minami lounge booth! Please look forward for the details! Minami lounge staff will also be there, so please come!

●Mutsukawa Chuo Park : 13min walk from Gumyoji st. (Keikyu line)

●Gumyoji Park : 0 min walk from Gumyoji st. (Keikyu Line), 8min walk from Gumyoji st. (Yokohama Municipal subway)

●Ooka Park : 6min walk from Gumyoji st. (Yokohama Municipal Subway)

●Ooka River Promenade ⇒ Many cherry blossom trees are planted along Ooka river.



Light up will be held from Kannon-bashi to Idogaya-bashi. (You can also see Japanese lanterns. It will be decorated from Kannon-bashi to Shirogane-bashi)

Term : Mar.23<sup>rd</sup> (Sat.) ~ April 10<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) 18:00 ~ 22:00 (Light up till 21:00 between Mon to Thurs)

●Bessho・Fumonin ⇒ When weeping cherry trees are blossomed, light up will be held. (After sunset to about 21:30)

There are lots of other cherry blossom points such as Yugyozaka (Ishikawa Elementary), near Mochizaka, Zotokuin and etc.! Why don't you walk around Minami ward and find your own special cherry blossom point.



### "Living Guidance" is held in Minami Lounge

Is there anything troubling you in daily life? We will help you by telling you all sorts of useful tips in Chinese/English/Filipino/Korean. It will help you to live comfortably in your district of Minami ward.

#### For example:

- Helpful tips to live in Japan.
- Minami ward going out places & information
- Japanese garbage rules and etc.

I am happy that I found a place where I can consult in multi-languages. (Filipino)

I now understand how to dispute garbage! (Chinese)



We also hand out the booklet 'Minami Ward Daily Living Guide'. The booklet is full of useful daily information. (there are Chinese/ English/ Filipino/ Korean version).



# From Minami Lounge



## English Open Class

Feb.13<sup>th</sup> (Wed.) a sunny afternoon, Minami Yoshida Elementary School English club held a special class in Minami ward office 1<sup>st</sup> floor 'Tamokuteki hall'. 7 foreign country teachers (from Haiti, Philippines, India, Indonesia, Bangladesh, Ethiopia and Cameroon), around 30 students from English club and local residents talked in English. Everyone experienced Indian yoga together.



We usually talk in English at school, but today I was glad to speak a lot of English with many teachers outside the school.  
By 6<sup>th</sup> grade student

Today I had an opportunity to meet with everyone. I will not forget about today.  
By Indian teacher



Today I had both conversation and Indian yoga in English. I am very happy that I was able to join the event.  
By 4<sup>th</sup> grade student



## Multicultural Volunteer • Interpreting Volunteer

10,400 foreign people from 100 countries live in Minami Ward. (Data of Jan.2019).  
Minami lounge seeks for volunteers who are willing to help people of the district who cannot speak Japanese fluently. Also volunteers who can introduce foreign cultures to everyone so they can live harmoniously together.  
If you are interested, please contact our lounge.

### Multicultural Volunteer



- Translation of district's announcement
- Helping Japanese studies
- Introducing culture of the origin
- Teaching at the district's event such as Taichi and etc.



### Interpreting Volunteer



- Interpreting at school conference
- Interpreting at official administration counters



Register/Contact: Minami Lounge  
10<sup>th</sup> floor Urafune Fukugo Fukushi Bldg. 3-46Urafunecho TEL045-232-9544



Your skills are always welcome!



## Consultation concerning daily life is available in multiple languages at Minami Lounge

### ① Information and advice concerning daily life (Free of charge)

Office hours : Monday-Sunday 9:00~17:00 (Closed; 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 29Dec.~3Jan.)

Telephone : (Japanese) 045-232-9544 (Foreign Language) 045-242-0888.

【Available language and days】\*Look below for available language and days

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

### ② Consultation about law, visa and education (Free of charge) Appointment needed Tel.045-242-0888

★ Minami Lounge is operated by YOKE on behalf of Minami Ward Office.