

Minami no Kaze

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Minami Lounge Information



Celebration for being an Adult "Seijinshiki" (Coming of Age Ceremony)

The second Monday of January is a holiday to welcome new adults. It is called "Seijin no Hi". There are many areas which holds the coming of age ceremony for new adults. Ladies who became new adults wear "Furisode (gorgeous kimono with sleeves which are long)", suit or dress. For Men who became new adults wear suit or "Haorihakama (kimono for man)". You can see many new adults who are dressed formally on that day. This "Seijinshiki (coming of age ceremony)" is an event which is held only in Japan and there are new adults who meet their friend, attending reunion or go to dine with their family to celebrate that day.

2022 Coming of Age Ceremony of Yokohama City will be held on Jan.10th (Mon. Holiday) at Yokohama Arena

For the new adult, a ticket to attend the ceremony will be sent till mid. December. To attend the ceremony, you will need the ticket which was sent to you. Also the ceremony will be live-streaming on that day at the Yokohama city website.

Member of Executive Committee of Yokohama city Coming of Age Ceremony Chen Danyan

Ms. Chen works as a staff of Minami Lounge. She also works as a member of "Nijiuro Tankental" which conducts "Rainbow Space (place for young generations)" of Naka International Lounge. As a "Nijiuro Tankental" member, she is participating in the executive committee of Yokohama city coming of age ceremony. She decided to participate when she found out that foreign-related youth around her did not know about "Seijinshiki (coming of age ceremony)" and also didn't recognize as a ceremony related to them. Ms. Chen would like to experience and learn about Japanese Seijinshiki at the committee and tell everyone.



Ms. Chen Danyan in Furisode Kimono

When you reach adult age, juridical act can be done without parental consent.

From April, 2022

Revision of Civil Code:
Adult age will be 18 years old instead of 20 years old.

Day of new adulthood

Born before April 1, 2002	→	20 th birthday
Born between April 2, 2002 - April 1, 2003	→	April 1, 2022
Born between April 2, 2003 - April 1, 2004	→	
Born after April 2, 2004	→	18 th birthday

From 2023, what is the participation age for Yokohama city coming of age ceremony?



It will be 20 years old as it has been from the past.

Changes which will happen by lowered adult age are...

What you can do as 18 years old adult

- You can make contract without the consent of parental authority (legal representative).
- Obtaining a passport valid for 10 years.
- To get a profession based national qualification such as a certified accountant, a judicial scrivener, pharmacist and a doctor's license.
- Get married.
- Transgender men and women will be able to apply to courts to have their gender officially recognized.
- To get a standard motor vehicle license (same as before)

What you have to wait until 20 years old

- Drinking alcohol
- Smoking
- Buy horse race, bicycle race, boat race, auto race voting tickets, etc.
- Adopt a child.
- To get large motor vehicle license or mid-sized motor vehicle license.

From Minami Lounge

Minna no "Wa!" Festa 2021

Minami Lounge held "Mini-workshop Event" on Nov.27th (Sat). Many people came to enjoy the event.



"Multicultural Stage" and "Japanese Speech" will be performed on our website! On Nov.28th (Sun), we have taken the video of "Multicultural Stage". Webcast of the stages will start from Dec.10th on Minami Lounge website. Please see our stage on website!

To see Minna no "Wa!" Festa video, please access from the following URL or read the code below.

<https://tabunka.minamilounge.com/about/festa2021>



→Please read!

Multicultural Stage



Japanese Speech



Gathering for Foreign Parents "Let's Talk about Child-rearing"

● Jan.19th (Wed) 10:30~11:30
● Minami Lounge "Tamokuteki Room"

The gathering will focus on kindergarten and nursery life; what to prepare, events and about meals. The explanation will be in English, Chinese and easy Japanese. There will be reading Japanese book and singing song time for children.

- ▶ For 8 foreigners who are child-rearing in Japan (Participating with children are welcome.)
- ▶ Free of charge



Story Telling by Languages of the World

● Feb.22 (Tue) 11:00~11:45 ● Urafune Community House

We will read "The Gigantic Turnip" and "The Goldfish Got Away" in Japanese, Chinese and English.

- ▶ 8pairs (Parent & Child) ▶ Free of Charge

Apply/Contact : By Tel, Fax or visiting Minami Citizens Activity · Multicultural Lounge TEL045-232-9544 FAX : 045-242-0897

Information

Many institutions will close due to New Years Holiday

- Minami Lounge
Closed from Dec.29th (Wed)~Jan.3rd (Mon)
- Yokohama City hall /Minami Ward Office
Closed from Dec.29th (Wed) ~ Jan.3rd (Mon)
- Garbage & Recycle Products Collecting Schedule
Collecting will not be done during, Dec.31st (Fri) to Jan. 3rd (Mon). If your burnable garbage collection day is Mon. and Fri., burnable garbage will be collected on Dec.29th (Wed) and Jan. 5th (Wed) specially.
- Sudden Illness - Holiday Emergency Clinic (Internal medicine·Pediatrics)
Dec.30th (Thurs) ~Jan.3rd (Mon), Sun and holidays 10:00~16:00 (Reception until 15:30)
Minami-ku, Shuku-cho 4-76-1
TEL:045-731-2416

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; 3rd Mondays, 29Dec.~3Jan.)
Telephone : (Japanese) 045-232-9544 (Foreign Language) 045-242-0888.

* Look below for available languages and days

【Available languages and days】

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

② Free of charge consultation about law (2nd Thurs), visa (3rd Thurs) and education (4th Thurs)

※ 13:30~, 14:30~ (Appointment needed. Tel.045-242-0888)

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