

In 2009, Yokohama will start off as new Yokohama with your assistance.



150th Anniversary of the opening of the port of YOKOHAMA

Summary of Commemorative Projects

[120th Anniversary of the Commencement of the City Administration]

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Festival

“Happy Birthday to the Port of Yokohama” Project

To celebrate the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port, as well as to make it a good opportunity to know the achievements of the forerunners and the history, and to create a city full of chances, we will organize a commemorative ceremony and events with citizens and companies.

Commemorative Ceremony of the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama

150th Anniversary of the Port Opening Promotion Division TEL:671-4077

We will hold a commemorative ceremony as a main official event, to make it a good opportunity for further development, as well as to appreciate forerunners' achievements that built the foundation of today's Yokohama and to share the pride. We will convey the future aspects that the city can share the dreams and hopes to the next generation, to the whole country and the world.



Commemorative Ceremony of the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port
Producer
Amon Miyamoto



Date : May 31, 2009

Location : National Convention Hall, Pacifico Yokohama
Around 2,000 invited visitors and 2,000 public attendees by application.

Contents : 1. Commemorative Ceremony
2. Original Show by Amon Miyamoto
3. Exhibition and a Film Show on the premises related to the history and the opening of the port of Yokohama.

Festival events for the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama

2009 World Table Tennis Championships in Yokohama

Sports Promotion Division, Civic Engagement Promotion Bureau TEL : 640-5572

World's top-class athletes are gathering together to this event in Yokohama. The event marks its 50th anniversary this time.

April 28 ~ May 5, 2009 Yokohama Arena



Flower Art Event on Nihon Odori Avenue

Project Division, Road and Highway Bureau TEL : 671-2779

Nihon Odori Avenue will be covered with pictures made of flower petals.

May 2 ~ 4, 2009 Nihon Odori Avenue

Exhibition of “Egypt's Sunken Treasures”

150th Anniversary of the Port Opening Promotion Division TEL : 671-4170

About 490 items including a 5 meter statue of a pharaoh excavated from the sea bottom offshore, Alexandria, an ancient city will land on Yokohama.

Late June ~ late September, 2009 Exhibition Hall D, Pacifico Yokohama

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Marine Festa

Port Promotion Division, Port and Harbor Bureau TEL : 671-7188

A ceremony, concerts and public shows of ships will be held commemorating “Marine Day”.

Events take place around July 18 ~ July 26, 2009

2009 Yokohama International Triathlon & World Kids Triathlon

Sports Promotion Division, Civic Engagement Promotion Bureau TEL : 640-5539

World's top athletes are running through areas related to the opening of the port of Yokohama.

Aug 22 & 23, 2009 (Kids on 23 only)

Yamashita Park & Kannai-District and the surrounding areas



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Commemorative theme events for the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama "Opening of the country, Opening of the Port Y150"

Association for 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama TEL : 222-0150



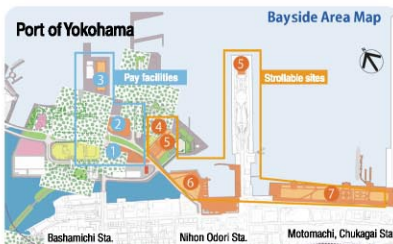
Bayside Area (around Minato-Mirai-21-Shinko-District and its surrounding areas)

April 28 ~ September 27, 2009 10a.m. ~ 10p.m.

※Some of the events take place at different venues.

- ① Y150 Hajimarinomori (Shinko- District 8th Block)
- ② Y150 Tomorrow Park (Shinko - District 7th Block)
- ③ Y150 Dream Front (Shinko Pier)
- ④ Red Brick Warehouse site (Park)
- ⑤ Osanbashi site/ Red Brick Warehouse site(Building #1)
- ⑥ Zou-no-Hana site
- ⑦ Yamashita Park site

It is the main anniversary event area that has multiple event sites among the landscapes with the views of the sea and the port where Yokohama originated. It consists of three facilities with admission fee and four strollable sites. A variety of shows will be presented on a large scale entertainment exhibition, large screen images and event venues. Gorgeous night shows and light-up shows will enhance the festive atmosphere at night.



Bayside Area Map



Y150 Hajimarinomori



Y150 Tomorrow Park



Y150 Dream Front

※These are all images



Commemorative theme event
General producer
Takunori Ogawa



Commemorative theme event
Art producer
Katsuhiko Hibino

Hillside Area Y150 Tsunagarinomori (Adjacent to Zoorasia)

July 4 ~ September 27, 2009 9:30a.m. ~ 5:30p.m.

※Note that on 19 days, Saturdays and Sundays in August and September 19 ~ 27, from 9:30a.m. to 8:30p.m.

"Take-no-Unabara", an extensive largest-in-the-country bamboo roof made of bamboos cut in Yokohama, will be set up at the center of the site. There will be also "Citizen-Creating Programs" led mainly by Yokohama citizens. They will plan and develop a variety of participating-programs, such as shows, workshops and creative performances in rich natural environments.



Take-No-Unabara



Image of "Citizen-Creating Program"

Mother Port Area (From the surrounding area of Yokohama Station to Yamashita&Yamate-District)

Activities are held throughout 2009.

You can enjoy the charm of Yokohama that is closely linked to the locals including the shopping arcades. Participating citizens will enhance the festive atmosphere of "Y150" as a big movement by making an excursion route map, etc.

Citizen participative events

● Yokohama FUNE project

Citizens are creating 150 ships with corrugated cardboards, etc, under direction by our art producer, Katsuhiko Hibino, at local facilities and junior high school buildings. The ships are modeled on the actual ships that played an important role in the history of the port of Yokohama. The ships are produced between 2007 and 2009, and are scheduled to be displayed at the Osanbashi site.



● DO-RA-MA YOKOHAMA150 ~Theatrical joint creative project~

It is a "Citizen participative project" that gives participants an opportunity to rediscover Yokohama by creating theatrical plays. Participating citizens are taking on everything from acting to the backstage tasks. Performances are planned at nine venues in the city between June and August 2009.

● Yokohama Port-Opening Candle Café 150

~Road to YOKOHAMA 150 Years~

Citizen volunteers are helping visitors decorate their message sheets, place and light each candle.

10,000 candles will be lit in 2008 and 15,000 in 2009 to conclude the 150th anniversary in the Bayside Area and the surrounding area.



City and Port

Creation of a New Charm of Yokohama and City Planning and Development Promotion Project

Creation of new charms of Yokohama is promoted by taking advantage of the accumulated historical assets unique to Yokohama. To make the characteristics of Yokohama which was born and has been developed as a port town more appealing, redevelopment of the origin of the Port of Yokohama and city planning and development taking advantage of the creativity of art and culture is promoted. At the same time, city planning is carried out to prepare for redevelopment of Yokohama for the next generation.

Creating a new charm

Restoration of Zou-no-Hana-District

Planning and Coordination Division, Port and Harbor Bureau TEL : 671-2881

As part of the project for commemorating the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port, "Zou-no-Hana-District", the origin of the Port of Yokohama, will be restored to be a symbolic space that connects the history and future of Yokohama, and we make it available for cultural and tourism exchange by taking advantage of its characteristics.

[To be opened June, 2009]



Image of night view of Zou-no-Hana-District



Image of a completed multi-purpose rest house

Why is it called Zou-no-Hana (elephant trunk)?...When the Port of Yokohama was opened in 1859, two linear quays, the East quay and the West quay, were made. In 1867, the East quay was remade into an elephant-trunk-like curved shape, which eventually came to be called "Zou-no-Hana".



Modification of Marine Tower

Project Coordination Division, Economic and Tourism Bureau TEL : 671-4079

Marine Tower was constructed to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the opening of the port and has been popular among the citizens for a long time. It will be renewed as a symbol of Yokohama for the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port to preserve and use to the fullest.

[To be reopened in spring, 2009]



Image of the renewed tower

Development of Americayama-Park

Green Projects Division, Environmental Planning Bureau TEL : 671-2632

By introducing a Multi-Level City Park System for the first time in Japan, an upper floor is being added to Motomachi, Chukagai Station to be connected to the adjacent park and developed as a part of the park. The station is going to be equipped with elevators and other convenience facilities, making Motomachi&Yamate-District an even more exciting and lively place for excursion.

[To be completed June, 2009]



Image of the development of Americayama-Park

Formation of Creative City of Art and Culture

International Triennale of Contemporary Art Yokohama 2008

Creative City Promotion Division TEL : 671-4310

As a leading project for shaping Creative City of Art and Culture Yokohama, we will hold Japan's largest international modern art exhibition, Yokohama Triennale 2008 and transmit innovation, leading-edge art and culture of Yokohama to the world.

Dates : September 13 ~ November 30, 2008 (79 days)
Location : Shinko Pier, Red Brick Warehouse Building#1, BankART Studio NYK, etc



International Triennale of Contemporary Art Yokohama 2001



International Triennale of Contemporary Art Yokohama 2005



Creative Core Areas

Creative City Promotion Division TEL : 671-3504

With the three "Bashamichi", "Nihon-Odori Avenue", "Noge, Sakuragicho" as the leading districts, local resources such as historical buildings, warehouses, and vacant offices are used to create spaces where artists and creators can create, display and stay.

Koganecho Bazaar

Creative City Promotion Division TEL : 671-3504

"Koganecho Bazaar" is going to be held by the collaboration of the locals, companies, the university and so on in Hatsunecho-Koganecho-Hinodecho district to add more attraction to the city.

Dates : September 11 ~ November 30, 2008
Location : At the shops, under the elevated railway, Ooka River area, etc, along Keikyu Line between Hinodecho Station and Koganecho Station.



黄金町バザール
KOGANECHO BAZAAR

City Planning and Development

Extensive redevelopment plan of the area around Yokohama Station

Urban Redevelopment Division, Urban Development Bureau TEL : 671-4051

We are planning to rebuild this area with basic ideas of working for a creation of a town where people can feel safe and secure and a new environment. We promote redeveloping the town as a proudable entrance to Yokohama urban area by forming attractive event squares and symbolic spaces, featuring Yokohama's sea and abundant green spaces.

[Redevelopment Plan to be decided in 2009]

Yokohama Station and the surrounding area



Redevelopment of the area around Totsuka Station

Totsuka Station Vicinity Redevelopment Office, Urban Development Bureau TEL : 864-2621



Aiming to improve this area to fit to the second busiest transportation terminal in the city with 270 thousand users a day, we are redeveloping public facilities such as the road system and the transportation square, the ward administration office and public interests including cultural facilities around the station's west side, as well as the urban area with an aim to reinforce business capability.

[Transportation Square 1 to be opened to public in autumn 2009, commercial facilities to be completed in spring 2010, Transportation Square 2 to be completed in autumn 2012]

Future image of the area around Totsuka Station's west side when it is completed

Promotion of Return of the U.S. military facilities in the city and the use of the sites

U.S. Military Installations Measures Division, Urban Management and Planning Bureau TEL : 671-2168

Taking the opportunity of the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port, we continue to request the government for the return of the U.S. facilities in the city. We will hold a contest for ideas of utilizing of the site, in making more concrete plans for using the site for parks and green space to tackle with global warming taking the citizens' opinions into consideration.

Former Koshiba POL Depot returned in December, 2005



We will develop various affecting messages “event projects” such as commemorative artistic, athletic, environmental and welfare activities for the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port that many citizens will work effectively, from children to the elderly, from NPOs to companies. In addition, we will support exchanges at the citizen level and activities to enrich their affection for the area by making use of the local history, culture and characteristics.

Local development of Creative City

Presentation of “Classic Yokohama”

Culture and Art Promotion Division, Civic Engagement Promotion Bureau TEL : 671-3714

In an attempt to combine development of the city with promotion of classical music, we are presenting a music festival where people can relax and enjoy quality concerts by participants of Student Music Concours of Japan.

〈The main concerts〉

Minato Special 3 Days at Yokohama Minato Mirai Hall, etc

November 21 ~ 23, 2008

[Early November, 2008 ~ February, 2009] [Scheduled for 2009]



Broadening “citizen events”

Y150 Citizen Participation Platform

The Y150 Citizen Participation Platform Promotion Committee TEL : 489-4767



“Y150 Citizen Participation Platform” is a system to support events planning in many aspects such as information, personnel, venues and finance to facilitate all over the city the development of citizen-led events that symbolize Yokohama.

Citizen-led development of the city full of friendship and green spaces

Sports & cultural projects for disabled people

Disabled People Welfare Division, Health and Social Welfare Bureau TEL : 671-3602

Taking the opportunity of the 150th anniversary of the opening of the Port of Yokohama, we are supporting various events such as a ground golf meeting and a barrier-free musical concert aiming to create a city where everyone including disabled people can enjoy sports and cultural activities together. **[May, 2008 ~ December, 2009]**



Promotion on “150-manbon (1.5 million) planting action” and making “Commemorative Forest for the 150th Anniversary of the Port Opening”

Environmental Policy Division, Environmental Planning Bureau TEL : 671-2688

To hand down Yokohama richly endowed with nature to the next generation, the citizens, the business owners and the city government are committed to plant 150-manbon (1.5 million) trees in the city by 2009 which is the 150th year after the opening of the port.

To commemorate the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port, we are making “Commemorative Forest for the 150th Anniversary of the Port Opening” in former Koshiba POL Depot and organizing a tree planting ceremony for the citizens to attend. We are also creating big and small forests everywhere in the city.

Efforts to enrich local areas' charms and deepen the affections

Taking the opportunity of the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port, we will hold commemorative and anniversary projects filled with the characteristics of the areas with citizens to enrich the local areas' charms and affections to the areas.



We will continue to nurture human resources that will lead the future of Yokohama to have an internationality and to contribute to the development of scientific technologies and industries, and at the same time create a system that enables the whole local community to support child-raising.

Promotion of efforts to develop internationally minded next generation

World Kids Sports Summit in Yokohama

Sports Promotion Division, Civic Engagement Promotion Bureau TEL : 640-5539

Children from the world are having opportunities to talk about peace and the environment through sports activities. At the end of those activities, they are sending out "Children's Sport Declaration" to let the whole country and the world know Yokohama, an international city that is having the 150th anniversary of the opening the port.



**Date: August 21, 2009 Location: Pacifico Yokohama
Participants: 800 [500 from places within the country, 300 from abroad] (as planned)**

Promotion of English Education continuing from elementary through junior high school

Elementary and Junior High School Education Division, Board of Education Secretariat TEL : 671 3588



To develop language education strategies making use of local characteristics, we are nurturing human resources who will lead the future of Yokohama by promoting English education continuing from elementary through junior high school as well as Japanese education.

- We are staffing all the elementary schools with AETs(=Assistant English Teachers) to give them English teaching.
- We are sending IUIs(=International Understanding Instructors) to all the elementary schools to give students instruction on understanding different cultures.

[AETs and IUIs are scheduled to be introduced by the school year starting in 2009.]

Student exchange between a high school in Yokohama and one in Vancouver, Canada

High School Education Division, Board of Education Secretariat TEL : 671-3272

Students from a high school in Vancouver, Canada, which has a friendly relationship with Minato Sogo High School, are deepening friendship with them by attending lessons and having discussions at Minato Sogo High School and home-stay.
[About ten days in May, 2009]

Promotion of efforts to cultivate human resources that will create active Yokohama

Construction of Yokohama Science Frontier High School

Yokohama Science Frontier High School Establishment Preparation, Board of Education Secretariat TEL : 671-4378

We are opening Yokohama Science Frontier High School in Tsurumi Ward as the first ever high school in the prefecture to specialize in science and mathematics aiming to nurture "people who actively work broadly in the world using their knowledge in advanced technologies".

[April 5, 2009 School opening ceremony]



Art Culture Education Program

Culture and Art Promotion Division, Civic Engagement Promotion Bureau TEL : 671-3714

We are sending artists in diverse genres to the schools aiming to give the opportunities to the children who will lead the next generation to develop their communication ability, etc, by sharing friendship and creative experiences with them.

[We are sending artists to 80 schools in 2009 and to 100 schools in 2010]

Promotion of efforts of the local community to give support for child-raising

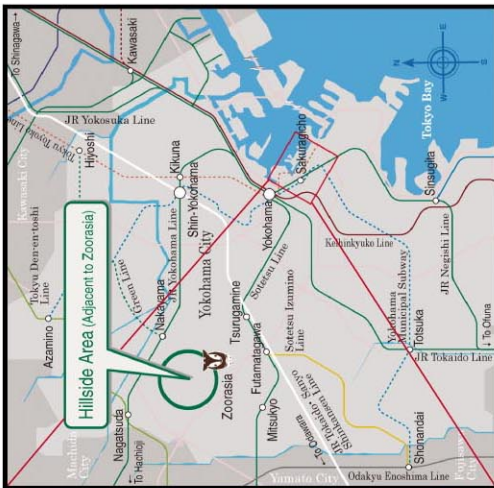
Support Project for child-raising at home (tentative name)

Project and Coordination Division, Child and Youth Bureau TEL : 671-4281

The citizens, the companies and the city government are collaboratively creating new attractions of Yokohama such as "Yokohama, a city suitable for child-raising" where people warmly watch child-raising and widen the circle in the whole community, and a new culture that "the whole city supports child-raising".

We are making a system that companies, shops and facilities help child-raising by providing ①services such as discount or special deals or ②feeding rooms or nappy-changing spaces.

[To be implemented from October, 2008]



This leaflet introduces the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama programs, dividing them into three themes and four projects that we are currently working on, based on the "Basic Vision Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama ~ 120th Anniversary of the Commencement of the City Administration~."

The programs introduced here are designed to realize **5 opportunities** with aims to create "Yokohama, the city full of chances."

5 Opportunities

- ★ To gain gratitude and applause for the port and the achievement of our forerunners.
- ★ To develop the sense of unity as citizens.
- ★ To create a base for Yokohama to continue to be filled with dreams and hopes for the next generation, and redevelop the city.
- ★ To commit and create the uniqueness and originality of Yokohama.
- ★ To attract large number of people. [Summary]



"Tanemaru", Mascot of the 150th Anniversary of the Opening of the Port of Yokohama Commemorative Projects

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Legend

- Commemorative ceremony of the 150th anniversary of the opening of the port & commemorative theme event sites (The map covers whole Mother Port Area.)
- Pay facilities
- Strollable sites
- National Art Park Plot, Three targeted areas
- Creation of a New Charm of Yokohama Promotion Project
- Creative Core Areas model area
- Creative City of Art and Culture related facilities
- Bayside Area

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