INTRODUCTION TO THE WORKSHOP EVENTS

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Ceremony of the Young Astronauts Club-Kitakyushu Chapter

124 chapters nationwide





National Essay/Drawing Contest for Elementary and Intermediate Students

- Theme: "The Space and I"
- 2,400 applicants
- Exhibiting winners' creations in RIVERWALK







Essay Contest on "Space Use"

- Called for essays themed on "Space Use"
- Mayor's Award: "Development of a System Targeted Towards the Aging Society"
- Excellence Award: "Moon Graveyard"
- Others: 3 Awards given for Best Ideas





Space Development Symposium

- Theme: "Entry into Space Developments from the Outlying Regions"
- Further anticipate entry into space developments that originate from Kitakyushu





Space Development Symposium









"Space Day" Fureai Festival

SPACE TALK SHOW

Guest Speaker: Astronaut Koichi Wakata



"Space Day" Fureai Festival

MINI SPACE CAMP

Experience astronauts' actual training equipments, including Moon Walker and 5DF







5DF

Introduction to KITAKYUSHU

- Overcoming Severe Environmental Pollution
- Kitakyushu's Places of Interests MOJIKO RETRO
- KITAKYUSHU'S FESTIVALS
- NEW KITAKYUSHU AIRPORT (OPEN March 16, 2006)

Overcoming Severe Environmental Pollution





Environmental Pollution in 1960s



Recovered Sky and Sea today







International evaluation of Kitakyushu

1985 (Showa 60)	Mention in the "State of the Environment, 1985", OECD (Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development) "Green City Kitakyushu: From a gray city to green city"
1990 (Heisei 2)	Awarded by the United Nations Environmental Programme "Global 500" (First local government honored in Japan)
1992 Heisei 4)	Received at the Rio Summit "UN Local Governmental Honours" (12 cities worldwide)
2000 (Heisei 12)	Adopted at UNESCAP Ministerial Conference on Environment and Development "Kitakyushu Initiative for a Clean Environment"
	Awarded by the UN and Stockholm City "Partnership Award (Environmental Ambassador)" (only Japanese recipient)
2002 (Heisei 14)	Received at the Johannesburg Summit "Earth Summit 2002 Sustainable Development Award" (2 people worldwide)
	Identification in the Plan of Implementation at the Johannesburg Summit "Kitakyushu Initiative for a Clean Environment"

Kitakyushu's Places of Interest

Mojiko Retro

- One of the famous tourist destinations
- Filled with exotic atmosphere







Old Moji Mitsui Club

Kitakyushu's Places of Interest

Mojiko Retro

Old Mitsui O.S.K. Line Bldg.



JR Mojiko Station



Kitakyushu's Festivals

KOKURA GION FESTIVAL

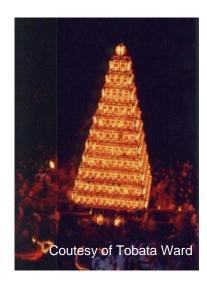




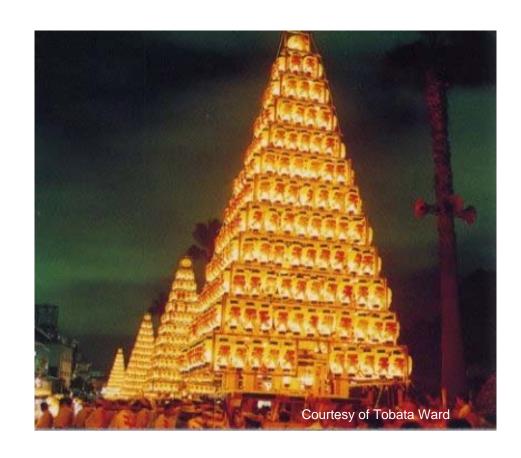


Kitakyushu's Festivals

TOBATA GION FESTIVAL







New Kitakyushu Airport

- 21-hour service for arrivals/departures
- Strategically located near the Asian countries
- Aiming for the hub of distribution and industries



