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Recruitment



Why Don't You Enjoy Kano River Fireworks in a Box Seat at Numazu

Summer Festival? : We will start accepting applications for box seats for the fireworks held on July 26 (Sat) and 27 (Sun).

Inquiries: Commerce and Industry Promotion Division ☎ 055-934-4799

Applications and Inquiries: NPO Numazu Tourist Information Center ☎ 055-964-1300

117 Senbon Minatomachi 〒410-0845

About the Box Seats

- ◆ There is no matting provided in a box seat. Please bring your own matting or cushion with you.
- ◆ Each box seat will be clearly marked by tape.
- ◆ The shape of the box seat will differ according to location.

Number of box seats: about 700 for each day (up to 6 people available in about 3 m² box seat)

Price: 6,000 yen, 8,000 yen and 9,000 yen (according to location)

How to apply: Send us *ofuku-hagaki* (a double postcard with a reply-paid card attached) with your address, name, phone number and preferred date (July 26 or 27) on the initial half, and your address and name on the reply half.

*One postcard for one box seat

*You can send two postcards for each day. *You can't choose the location or price.

Deadline: June 20 (Fri), *Postmark on the day is acceptable.

Drawing: June 26 (Thu)

*The reply half postcard will be sent to all the applicants with the result of drawing lots.

How to get the ticket: Bring your winning postcard and pay the fee at San San Hall (3-5-21 Otemachi) on July 4 (Fri) or 5 (Sat), 9:00 ~ 16:00.

*Details will be printed on the winning postcard.

*If there is any cancellation, the ticket will be sold on July 7 (Mon) from 9:00. (One ticket per person) Numbered tickets will be given out from 7:00 on the day.

We will inform you about the fireworks show through Merunuma and Numazu Topics on facebook on the day.

Plaza Verde is Brand-new Open

Will you come to attend the opening ceremony and the international forum?

Fuji-no-kuni Senbonmatsu Forum, whose nickname is Plaza Verde, is located next to Kira Messe Numazu near the railway station.



Date	Time	Contents
July 20 (Sun)	13:00 ~	Opening ceremony
	13:50 ~ 16:00	International forum ① Special lecture: Food & Cultural Heritage Lecturer: Jean-Robert Pitte (geographer & specialist of scenery and food culture) ② Keynote speech: Japanese Cuisine, Tea & Flower Lecturer: Isao Kumakura (President of Shizuoka University of Art and Culture) ③ Panel discussion: The Fascination & Potentiality of the County with Mt. Fuji; Shizuoka Prefecture Coordinator: Isao Kumakura Panelists: Kazuko Goto (Cooking researcher) Akane Teshigahara (the head of the Sogetsu School of Flower Arrangement)

Where: Plaza Verde (Convention Hall A) / Capacity: 500 persons / Fee: free

How to apply: Write the name, address, telephone number of one of your group members, the number of the attendants which is less than 5, on the post card and mail it to the office below. You will get the invitation cards at the beginning of July.

Application deadline: June 25 (Wed)

Applications & Inquiries: Shizuoka Prefecture Fuji-no-kuni Senbonmatsu Forum
 〒420-8601 Shizuoka Prefectural Office ☎ 054-221-3528



Jean-Robert Pitte exerted himself to register French cuisine for intangible cultural asset.



Isao Kumakura is a well-known historian specializing in Japanese culture and tea ceremony.

Participants to Do a Potato Harvest

Applications and inquiries: Ono-san of JA Nansun, Kanaoka Seinenbu
 ☎ 055-921-4456 / FAX: 055-921-4415

Inquiries: Agriculture and Forestry Division (Agriculture and Forestry Promotion)
 ☎ 055-934-4751

When: June 22(Sun) 9:30 ~ (If it rains, it will be held on June 29(Sun).)

Meeting Place: JA Nansun, Tea factory in Matsuzawa-cho

Capacity: 50 groups / Fee: 1,000 yen per group (with souvenir)

Things to bring: cotton gloves, plastic bags

How to apply: Inform us of your name, age, telephone number by fax or telephone.



Information

Action Plan against Earthquakes and Tsunami

Inquiries: Crisis Management Division ☎ 055-934-4758

■ What is “Action Plan against Earthquakes and Tsunami”?

Numazu City made “the Action Plan against Earthquakes and Tsunami” based on the 4th seismic damage assumption by Shizuoka prefectural government. In order to reduce damage, it has plans and measures for 3 years and action goals for 5-10 years.

■ 5 mainstays and their measures

1 Measures according to degree of hazard each area

Eliminating areas where evacuation is difficult, preparing the evacuation board etc.

2 To secure escape time from tsunami.

Promoting earthquake-proofing buildings and houses, removing fragile block walls, etc.

3 Preparation for disaster reduction

Promoting education for disaster prevention, upgrading and strengthening emergency drill, promoting emergency goods’ stockpiling, etc.

4 Strengthening of town disaster prevention

Maintaining escape routes, managing urgent transportation routes, promoting earthquake-proofing of infrastructures, etc.

5 Speedy restoration and recovery

Strengthening functions of medical aid, rescue system and management of evacuation shelters, supporting sufferers’ lives in evacuation sites.

■ Our effort in the future

We promote our project based on the action plan, collaborating with citizens and voluntary disaster prevention groups. As we check how the project progresses, we reevaluate its aims or measures every three years. About details, please look at the website of Numazu City.

Services to Celebrate Married Couple’s Anniversary

Applications and inquiries: Resident Registration Division ☎ 055-934-4720



Gift of memorial sheet

♥ Memorial sheet of marriage registration

A memorial sheet, which has a copy of marriage registration, a couple’s picture and message of congratulation on it, will be presented to the newly married couple who have just finished their marriage registration at the Resident Registration Division, City Hall 1F.



♥ Memorial sheet of golden or silver wedding anniversary

A memorial sheet with their picture and message will be presented to a couple who have a golden or silver wedding anniversary.

※The family member can apply for the service instead of the couple.





Issue planning of Numazu VIP Pass Card

The card with a couple's picture and their wedding anniversary on it will be issued. If they show the card, the couple can get the discount service when they use city facilities which cooperate with the planning during the designated period.



◆For any service

Please come to the counter directly with an ID such as a driver's license.

Where: Weekdays: Resident Registration Division at City Hall 1F (except Saturday)

Sundays: Sunday Passport Issuance Counter

※The city hall staff takes the couple's picture on the day.

※In case of a golden or silver wedding memorial sheet and the issue of VIP Passport, the couple can bring their own photograph. It is possible to go through the procedure by mail.

※Please ask about the details or look at the city's website.

Child Raising ~~Parents and children can now choose a school where they want to study.

Why don't you go to a school and learn the character of each school?

Primary school	Open hours	TEL	Jr. high school	Open hours	TEL
Dai 1	6/20(Fri) 10:30-14:35	055-962-0351	Dai 1	7/1(Tue) 8:30-16:30	055-962-1551
Dai 2	6/26(Thu) 10:35-14:35	962-0352	Dai 2	6/13(Fri) 13:00-16:00	962-1552
Dai 3	7/2(Wed) 10:25-14:30	931-0353	Dai 3	7/1(Tue) 8:30-16:30	931-1553
Dai 4	7/1(Tue) 9:25-14:50	931-0354	Dai 4	6/24(Tue) 8:30-15:30	931-1554
Dai 5	6/27(Fri) 10:30-14:35	921-0355	Dai 5	6/27(Fri) 8:30-16:30	921-1555
Kaihoku	6/26(Thu) 9:20-12:10	921-4041	Katahama	6/26(Thu) 8:30-17:30	962-1556
Senbon	6/13(Fri) 8:00-14:30	962-0356	Kanaoka	6/17(Tue) 13:40-16:30	921-1558
Katahama	7/9(Wed) 10:30-14:30	962-0357	Ooka	6/13(Fri) 8:30-16:30	921-1557
Kanaoka	6/24(Tue) 8:30-14:15	921-1371	Ashitaka	6/24(Tue) 8:30-12:20	966-4229
Ooka	7/1(Tue) 9:25-14:00	921-1885	Ohira	7/2(Wed) 8:30-16:30	931-5021
Shizuura <Ikkan>	6/20(Fri) 13:45-16:30	931-3017			
Ashitaka	6/27(Fri) 13:30-15:30	966-4244	Nagaisaki	6/16(Mon) 8:30-16:00	941-3111

Ohira	6/26(Thu) 13:45-14:30	931-5020	Hara	7/4(Fri) 9:30-15:00	966-0138
Uchiura	6/26(Thu) 9:20-14:25	943-2134	Ukishima	6/12(Thu) 8:30-16:30	966-2040
Nishiura	6/26(Thu) 10:20-14:45	942-2004	Kadoike	6/17(Tue) 8:30-16:30	923-3900
Hara	6/16(Mon) 10:35-14:50	966-0034	Imazawa	6/13(Fri) 13:20-14:30	966-9981
Ukishima	7/3(Thu) 8:25-14:30	966-2004	Heda	6/25(Wed) 8:30-15:30	0558-94-3055
Kanuki	6/20(Fri) 9:20-14:35	931-1234	<p>*Never come to a school by car.</p> <p>*When you want to come on a different day, please contact the school in advance.</p>		
Kadoike	6/27(Fri) 9:15-12:00	922-1481			
Imazawa	6/20(Fri) 10:30-14:35	966-5522			
Sawada	6/20(Fri) 9:20-14:35	924-0161			
Hara Higashi	6/18(Wed) 9:00-15:00	967-1213			
Ooka minami	6/20(Fri) 9:25-14:35	962-0355			
Heda	6/26(Thu) 8:00-15:00	0558-94-3028			

Swimming Class for Elementary School Students during Summer Vacation

Applications & inquiries: Indoor Swimming Pool ☎ 055-932-2179

2416-1 Kamikanuki Ninohora 〒410-0813

When: Tuesdays ~ Fridays between July 22(Tue) and Aug. 6(Wed), 16:00~17:00 (10 classes in all)

Where: Indoor Swimming Pool

Applicants: elementary school students

Capacity: 90 students

(There will be a drawing in case of many applicants.)

Fee: 4,500 yen (including insurance premium)

How to apply: Send us *ofuku-hagaki* (a double-sided postcard) with student's name, birth date, school grade, gender, address, phone number on the initial half, and the student's name, address and zip code on the reply half.

*If brothers and sisters apply, send us one double-sided postcard with their names on it.

Deadline: June 17 (Tue)

*The result of drawing will be sent to all the applicants in late June.



Information about Child Benefit and Submission of the Situation Report

Inquiries: Child Support Division ☎ 055-934-4827

On June 13(Fri), child benefit for four months (February ~ May) will be paid to the citizens who meet the benefit payment conditions. Those who got the right to receive the benefit in or after March will get the benefit from the starting month to May. Around the middle of June, "Situation Report" will be sent to those who are receiving the benefit, so please don't forget to fill in and submit it.



*If you don't submit it, you can't receive the benefit after June, which will be paid in October.

Events

"Tsukigama" Tea Ceremony at the Imperial Villa Park

Inquires: Cultural Promotion Division ☎ 055-934-4812



When	School	Time	Where
June 15 (Sun)	Dainihon Sado gakkai	10:00~15:00	East Annex "Suisho-tei"
July 20 (Sun)	Tokai-ryu		
Aug. 17 (Sun)	Seifu-ryu		

Fee: 700 yen a tea (You need to buy a ticket at the entrance of East Annex on the day.)

Shogi Event

Applications & inquiries: Numazu Bokusui-kai ☎&FAX: 055-962-0424

Cultural Promotion Division ☎ 055-934-4812

There will be a *Shogi* game between Habu Yosiharu and Moriuchi Toshiyuki held in Numazu on July 5(Sat), and we will hold a *Shogi* event at the same time.

Where: Wakayama Bokusui Memorial Hall

	When	Contents	Fee
①	June 29(Sun)	Shogi match for children (primary school & junior high students)	Free
②	10:00 ~	Senior relay competition (60 years and older)	
③	July 5(Sat) 10:00 ~	Shogi players instruction	
④	July 5(Sat) 14:00 ~	Comment on the game by professional players, using a big <i>Shogi</i> board (200 people)	2,000 yen

How to apply: by FAX by June 10 (Tue) *Write your address, name, age, sex, and phone number.

*Ask for the details. *Pre-festival will be held on July 4(Fri).

Shimajiro Concert “Adventure & Discovery on Treasure Island”



Inquiries: Cultural Center ☎ 055-932-6111

Cultural Promotion Division ☎ 055-934-4812

When: Sep. 27(Sat) ①12:30 ~ ②15:30 ~

Where: Cultural Center main hall

Admission fee: 1,960 yen (all reserved seats)

*Children aged 3 and older need to pay the admission fee. Children under 3-year-old also need to pay if they want their own seat.

Ticket: from June 14(Sat) at Cultural Center and ticket agencies

Lectures and Classes

Children’s Book Course at City Library

Applications & inquiries: City Library ☎ 055-952-1234

	When	Contents	Time
①	June 25 (Wed)	What is fairy tales for young children?	10:30 ~ 12:00
②	July 5 (Sat)	“Is that science?” – Children’s question in their play	13:30 ~ 15:00
③	July 23 (Wed)	Books for Young Adults (grown-up children)	10:30 ~ 12:00

Where: City Library 4F, ①③= 1st & 2nd Lecture Room, ②= 3rd Lecture Room

Lecturer: ①Ms. Yumiko Yamada (City Library Committee member)

②Ms. Atsuko Takagi

(City Library *Akazukinchan no Nichiyo Ohanashikai* story telling club)

③Ms. Keiko Kameda (volunteer at Ashitaka elementary school library)

Capacity: 30 people each (in order of arrival)


How to apply: by phone, from 9:30 on June 11 (Wed)

*If you want child care, please apply for a prior booking.

PC Course

Applications & inquiries: NPO At Community ☎ 055-968-4008

Inquiries: Civic Collaboration Division ☎ 055-934-4807

	When	Contents (class)	Time	Where
①	June 18 (Wed)	Windows 8 introductory (morning)	10:00 ~ 12:00	San Well Numazu (2F OA room)
②		Windows 8 introductory (afternoon)	13:30 ~ 15:30	
③	June 19 (Thu)	Windows 8 actual use (morning)	10:00 ~ 12:00	
④		Windows 8 actual use (afternoon)	13:30 ~ 15:30	
⑤	June 12 (Thu)	Word basic (morning)	10:00 ~ 12:00	TOKAI Media Plaza (Kotobuki-cho)
⑥	13 (Fri)	Excel basic (afternoon)	13:30 ~ 15:30	
⑦	June 25 (Wed)	Word intermediate (morning)	10:00 ~ 12:00	TOKAI Media Plaza (Kotobuki-cho)
⑧	26 (Thu)	Excel intermediate (afternoon)	13:30 ~ 15:30	

Capacity: 12 people each (in order of arrival)

Fees: ①~④ 1,000 yen each, ⑤~⑧ 3,500 yen each (materials, etc.)

How to apply: by phone from 9:30 on June 9 (Mon)

Diabetes Class at City Hospital

Inquiries: City Hospital ☎ 055-924-5100

When: June 17(Tue), July 1(Tue), 15(Tue), 29(Tue), 13:00 ~ 15:00

Where: City Hospital lecture hall

*No reservation needed.

Volunteer Training Course ~How to Set Furniture in Place~

Applications & inquiries: Numazu Social Welfare Committee ☎ 055-922-1500

Inquiries: Social Welfare Division ☎ 055-934-4824

Let's learn how to fix furniture firmly to prepare for a major disaster and help elderly people who live alone.

When: June 13 (Fri), 14 (Sat), 15 (Sun) 13:00 ~ 15:00 (3 times in all)

Where: San Well Numazu 2F

Capacity: about 20 people

How to apply: by phone

Lifesaving Class



Applications & Inquiries: Medical Emergency Training Workstation

☎ 055-921-9999

When: ①Lifesaving class June 15(Sun) 9:00 ~ 12:00

②Advanced lifesaving class July 21(Holiday) 9:00 ~ 17:00

Where: Medical Emergency Training Workstation in Numazu City Hospital

Contents: Cardiopulmonary resuscitation with AED, hemostatic method, etc.

(①for adults ②for adults and infants)

Applicants: Junior high school age or older and living in or commuting to Numazu city

Capacity: 30 people per class

How to apply: by phone ①by June 12(Thu) ②by July 17(Thu)

Information

Consultation on Water Rate Payment at Night

Inquiries: Water and Sewage Service Division ☎ 055-934-4853

When: June 24(Tue) 17:15 ~ 20:00

Where: Water and Sewage Service Division (Water service Department Building 1F)

City Office for Residential Tax, National Health Insurance Charge is open at night

Inquiries: Tax Collection Department(management) ☎ 055-934-4730

When: June 17(Tue) 17:15 ~ 20:00

Where: Tax Collection Division (City Hall 2F)

Inquiries: National Health Insurance Division(Collection) ☎ 055-934-4727

When: June 17(Tue) 18:15 ~ 20:00

Where: National Health Insurance Division (City Hall 1F)

Campaign of *Hana Ippai* (full of flowers) Week [June 29 ~ July 5]

Inquiries: Park & Tree Planning division ☎ 055-934-4796

Before the week, the following events will be held.

When: June 28(Sat) / Where: Chuo Koen Park



<p>➤ Distribution of Flower Seedlings Time: 9:30-12:00 Contents: Distribution of flower seedlings (for the first 500 people), flower seeds(1,000 bags) and compost(in the order of arrival)</p>	<p>➤ Class for Planting Seeds Time: 9:30-10:30 Contents: How to plant and grow seeds *Please come to the site directly.</p>
<p>➤ Class for Growing Blueberries Time: 10:45-11:45 / Contents: How to grow blueberries at home Applicants: People who live in Numazu / Capacity: 20 people (in order of arrival) Fee: 1,000 yen / How to apply: By phone June 10 (Tue) 8:30~</p>	

Sale of the New Product of Self-Light-Emitting Reflective Material

Inquiries: Numazu resident’s association traffic safety joint association

(in Community Association and Promotion Division) ☎ 055-934-4742



A lot of traffic accidents occur from the evening to the night. Self-light-emitting reflective material which glows brightly and conspicuously, is effective to prevent traffic accidents. We will start selling Clip-on lights in addition to four types of the self-light-emitting reflective materials. Save your own life with “Self-light-emitting reflective materials”.

Where: Community Association and Promotion Division (City Hall 2F)

Light-Down Campaign

Inquiries: Environmental Policy Division ☎ 055-934-4741

To prevent global warming, Light-Down Campaign will nationally take place this year as well from June 21 to July 7. Especially during 20:00 ~ 22:00 on June 21 (Sun) and July 7 (Mon), Ministry of Environment encourages people to turn off the lights. Numazu City has designated the 1st and the 15th of each month as Light-Down at home. We ask for your cooperation to turn off the lights for 3 minutes from 21:00 on those days.



Let’s Cheer on Bowlers in the Special Olympics Regional Tournament in Shizuoka

Inquiries: Special Olympics Japan in Shizuoka ☎ 080-4201-0120

Welfare Service Division ☎ 055-934-4830 / FAX: 055-934-2631

When: June 8(Sun) 9:30 ~ 14:00 / Where: Joy Land Bowl *Kanuki*

*Please come to the site directly.

Hazardous Materials Safety Week

Inquiries: Fire Prevention Division ☎ 055-920-9101

When: June 8 (Sun) ~ 14 (Sat)

There are a lot of hazardous materials we use in our daily lives. The number of the gasoline ignition accidents during fueling at self-service gas stations is increasing. For the safe handling, please read the instructions and directions carefully.

※ Advertising activity will be held at JR Numazu Station South and North Exit on June 9 (Mon).

Benefit Plan for House Rent

Inquiries: Social Welfare Division ☎ 055-934-4863

There is a benefit plan for house rent for unemployed people facing life difficulty.

Applicants: people under the age of 65 who lost a job within 2 years, lost a home or in danger of losing their houses and meet the prescribed requirements

Contents: paying the amount equivalent to house rent directly to landlords or management companies (benefit maximum is 3 months in principle)

※ You are required to do job hunting when you receive the benefit.

※ Please contact us for details.

Information from the Health Center

Health Checkup subsidized by Japan Health Insurance Association



Japan Health Insurance Association will subsidize a medical checkup once a year.

Applicants: A member with insurance aged between 35 and 75

=Medical checkup for preventing life-style related illness

Family members aged between 40 and 75 =Specific medical checkup

Period: till Mar. 31(Tue) in 2015

※ Depending on which checkup you take, the checkup items, age, subsidy and application way is different. If you want to have the medical checkup, please ask for more details at your place of employment.

Inquiries: Japan Health Insurance Association Shizuoka Branch ☎ 054-275-6605

Information ~~from National Health Insurance Division~~

◆If You Have National Health Insurance, “Have You Declared Your Income Yet?”

People who didn't have any income or don't need any declaration of their income under the tax law (e.g. people who only have tax-free pension such as survivor's pension or disability pension) can reduce their insurance premium by the declaration. Please contact us before June 20 (Fri).

If people have already completed the declaration of their income or have received the national or employee's pension, or their employers submitted their payment reports, they don't need to declare their income.

Inquiries: National Health Insurance Division ☎ 055-934-4726

◆**The City will subsidize the Medical Checkup of the Brain.**

How to apply: Please come to the National Health Insurance Division(☎ 055-934-4725) or each Citizen Information Office on June 10 (Tue) or 11 (Wed). Basically, the applicants or their family members have to apply.

The amount of the subsidy	40,000 yen [You need to pay your own expenses (12,500 yen ~ 20,000 yen).]
The period of the checkup	July 1 (Tue) ~ Mar. 31 (Tue), 2015
Applicants	People who are 40 years or over on April 1, 2014, have National Health Insurance and have already paid the insurance premium for fiscal 2013
Capacity	400 people
What to bring	National Health Insurance card

*In case of too many applicants, we will have a drawing and the people who can receive the subsidy will be notified later.

Information ~ Dog Registration and Rabies Prevention Vaccination

Inquiries: Clean Center Management Division ☐ ☎ 055-933-0711

Dog owners have to have their dogs vaccinated against rabies once a year. Please have your dogs vaccinated at the animal hospitals by the end of June and receive a vaccination tag (a certificate) after that. Rabies vaccination is available at the animal hospitals listed below (charged).



Things to bring: Dog vaccination book (a dog card)

Fee: (differs from hospital to hospital) + 550 yen (for rabies vaccination tag)

*If you have a new dog, you need to register him/her and pay for the registration.

Registration fee: 3,000 yen

NAME	ADDRESS	TEL
Amy Animal Hospital	Miyamae-cho	920-0411
Windy Animal Clinic	Higashishijji	922-4113
Ueda Animal Clinic	Shimokanuki Fujiibara	934-3110
Ooka Animal Hospital	Ooka	963-2525
Oba Dogs & Cats Hospital	Ooka	921-9009
Katahama Animal Hospital	Matsunaga	962-2993
Sakura Animal Hospital	Yoneyama-cho	929-8111
Tama Animal Hospital	Shimokanuki Miyawaki	932-7703
Numazu Chuo Animal Hospital	Yanagi-cho	920-3311
Bypass Animal Hospital	Matsunaga	966-5972
PAL Animal Hospital	Numakita-cho	922-6255
Hiragori Animal Hospital	Miyamachi	963-9665
Family Veterinary Clinic	Shirogane-cho	963-2724
Hosaka Animal Hospital	Nakasawada	923-5068
Maaha Animal Clinic	Haramachi naka	967-4707
Miyata Animal Hospital	Nishijima-cho	931-1806

Ishii Animal Clinic	Tokura, Shimizu Town	933-0111
Yashinomi Animal Hospital	Kakita, Shimizu T.	972-0308
Sugisawa Animal Hospital	Takehara, Nagaizumi Town	976-5151
Shimotogari Animal Hospital	Shomotogari, Nagaizumi T.	994-9908
Nagaizumi Animal Hospital	Nameri, Nagaizumi T.	989-1013
Nakazato Mil Animal Hospital	Nakazato, Fuji City	0545-34-5123
Yu Animal Hospital	Kawashimada, Gotemba City	0550-70-1013

*If you have your dog vaccinated at an animal hospital which isn't listed above, please receive the vaccination certificate (issued by a veterinarian) at the animal hospital and bring it to Environmental Policy Division (City Hall 7F) or Clean Center Management Division (2417-1, Kamikanuki Sannohora). Then we'll issue you "a rabies vaccination tag." (fee: 550 yen).



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Delicacy of Suruga Bay—Deep Sea Fish Food

Suruga Bay is 2,500 meters deep, known as the deepest in Japan.

By trawling off the coast of Heda, a variety of kinds of deep sea fish are caught from the 300 meters deep and landed on Heda and Numazu Harbor. Fishermen used to eat these deep sea fish in their daily lives. The light flavor of deep fish, however, is getting popular and now they are served at hotels and restaurants around Heda and Numazu Harbor. As deep sea fish has evolved so that they can survive in the deep sea, they have characteristic figures like big eyes. People can enjoy not only eating but also looking at unique figures.

<p>assorted sashimi full of characteristic deep sea fish like prawns</p> 	<p>Suruga Bay Deep Sea Creature Museum (2710-1 Heda)</p>  <p>About 300 kinds of samples of unique deep sea fish and creatures, such as <i>rabuka</i> (a frilled shark called living fossil) are displayed in the museum.</p> <p>Inquiries: Suruga Bay Deep Sea Creatures Museum ☎ 0558-94-2384</p>
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Characteristic Deep Sea Fish at Suruga Bay

Geho (right) : Geho has a pointed head and big eyes. We can enjoy *Sashimi* (sliced raw fish), and boiled one is also good.

Torobocchi (center) : *Torobocchi* live 400 meters deep in the sea. They are made into *karaage* (deep-frying without any flour coating) and *hanpen* (a cake of ground fish combined with starch and steamed)

Takaashi gani (Japanese Giant Spider Crab) (left) : *Takaashigani* is the largest crab in the world. Widening the legs, it becomes about as long as 3 meters. We can eat after boiling.