



Kenrokuen Area Cultural Zone

A guide to the Art Galleries and Museums

In Edo Period(1603~1867), Kanazawa was a prospering feudal castle town of the Kaga clan. There are still many buildings and cultural assets where the influence of Maeda Family's strong cultural policies is still evident. Surrounding the Kenrokuen Garden, there are many museums where you can get a feel of Kaga's traditional culture. It will give us great pleasure if you come and visit these museums and experience this cultural wealth and cultivate rich aesthetic sentiments.

👉 Admission Fee 👉 Open Hours 👉 Holidays



1 - 1 Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Art

(Dewa-machi 2-1) TEL 076-231-7580

This museum has exhibits ranging from traditional crafts to modern arts. All the works and the products are by the artists who are connected with Ishikawa Prefecture in some way or the other. The Museum enjoys a high reputation for its strong regional flavour. The National Treasures of "Cock Pheasant Incense Burner" and the old Kutani porcelain are must-sees. A number of rare cultural heritage items which were the family heirloom of Kaga's Maeda Family, and are now owned by Maeda Ikutoku Association are displayed at Maeda Ikutoku Association's Sonkeikakubunko Museum on the 2nd floor. 👉 General Admission ¥370; University Students ¥290; High School students or under: Free. *Extra fee for special exhibitions. 👉 9:30am ~ 5:30pm (Closes at 6pm). 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3), during exhibition preparation periods.



8 Shiinoki Cultural Complex, Ishikawa Prefecture

(Hirosaka 2-1-1) TEL 076-261-1111

The old prefectural office building, built in Taisho Period (1912-1925) was renovated and reopened as a cultural complex; the backside of the building is fitted with a glass wall. The Complex was opened in April 2010 and is equipped with facilities such as a cafe, gallery, local sightseeing information desk besides a restaurant which used to be governor's office room. It is a convenient place to obtain information about local events as well as for taking a break during sightseeing or for eating. 👉 Free Admission * However, separate charges are required in order to participate or watch events held at the Complex. 👉 9am ~ 10pm 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29 ~ Jan.3)



1 - 2 Pref. Museum of Art Hirosaka Annex Ishikawa Cultural Properties Conservation Studio

(Dewa-machi 1-1) TEL 076-221-8810

The Hirosaka Annex is housed in a historical building that was formerly the Official Residence of the 9th Division Army Commander (a Registered Tangible Cultural Property). You can enjoy cultural activities in the old-fashioned atmosphere of the building. At the Conservation Studio, you can watch restoration work being done and watch videos explaining the process. 👉 Free. 👉 9:30am ~ 4:30pm. (Closes at 5pm). 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3), extra holidays



9 21st Century Museum of Contemporary Art, Kanazawa

(Hirosaka 1-2-1) TEL 076-220-2800

Opened in October 2004, this "park-like" art museum aims at "the creation of a new culture" and "creating a prosperous new town". It is a round glass building with 113m diameter and 350m outside.; it is popular for its contemporary art pieces and commissioned works. A variety of events are also held at the theater 21. 👉 Free. Admission Fee for exhibitions: Collective exhibition - General: ¥450, University Students: ¥310, Students from High-school and lower: Free. Extra fee will be charged for special exhibitions. 👉 9am ~ 10pm * Art Museum Zones inside exhibition rooms: 10am ~ 6pm (Friday & Saturday until 8pm). 🗓️ Every Monday (only for Art Museum Zones. Closed on Tuesday when Monday is a public holiday). Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.1).



2 Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of History

(Dewa-machi 3-1) TEL 076-262-3236

Formerly an armoury for the military (National Important Cultural Property), the red brick-built building shows the history and culture of Ishikawa through its collection of artefacts, documents, intricate dioramas and large scale videos. There are also a number of workshops available including directly handling documents and using ancient tools. 👉 General Admission ¥300; University Students ¥240; High School Students or under: Free. *Joint admission ticket with the KAGA-HONDA MUSEUM General Admission ¥500; University Students ¥400; High School Students or under: Free 👉 9am~4:30pm (Closes at 5pm) 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec. 28 ~ Jan.3), during exhibition preparation periods.



10 Kanazawa Noh Museum

(Hirosaka 1-2-25) TEL 076-220-2790

Kanazawa's Noh theatre flourished as an independent Noh school known as "Kaga Hosho" and Kanazawa Noh Museum exhibits some rare Noh masks and costumes used by Kaga Hosho school besides some of the finest Noh objects in Japan. This museum aims to become a new cultural institution that can pass on these precious art objects and traditional art to the next generation, thereby connecting the traditions with the present as well as future. 👉 General Admission ¥310; 65 years or older ¥210; High School Students or under: Free 👉 10am ~ 5:30pm (Closes at 6pm). 🗓️ Every Monday (closed on the Tuesday when Monday is a public holiday); Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3), during exhibition preparation periods.



3 KAGA-HONDA MUSEUM

(Dewa-machi 3-1) TEL 076-261-0500

This museum has exhibitions of weapons, horse-riding equipment, classical scripts, arts & crafts that give us glimpses of the Hyakumangoku Samurai class culture of Kaga's. These artifacts were treasured by generations of the Honda Family, which functioned as the chief retainer house of the Kaga clan and said to have had an income of 50,000 Koku (rice bushels) during the Edo Period. 👉 General Admission ¥400; University Students ¥300; High School Students or under: Free 👉 9am ~ 4:30pm. (Closes at 5pm). 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3), Every Thursday during December ~ February, during exhibition preparation periods.



11 Great People of Kanazawa Memorial Museum

(Shimo-Honda-machi 6-18-4) TEL 076-220-2474

This museum introduces the work and life stories of the great personalities from Kanazawa. 👉 General Admission ¥310; 65 years or older ¥210; High School students or under: Free. 👉 9:30am ~ 4:30pm (Closes at 5pm). 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3)



4 Ishikawa Prefectural Noh Theater

(Ishibiki 4-18-3) TEL 076-264-2598

Established in 1972, this Noh theater was the first independent Noh theater in Japan to be established as a public Noh theater. Ever since its establishment, it has been a popular center of Noh, working towards preservation and transfer as well as promotion of Noh in Ishikawa. The main stage of Kanazawa Noh Theater which was originally built in 1932 was transferred and set up at Prefectural Noh Theater. The stage presents a grand sight with its subdued hue and a majestic appearance which are a result of long passage of time. 👉 Free (However, free tour is possible only on the days without performances) * No fee for Noh performances 👉 9am~10 pm (Open to visitors till 4:30 pm) 🗓️ Every Monday, Yearend and New Year (Dec.29 ~ Jan.3)



12 Nakamura Memorial Museum

(Honda-machi 3-2-29) TEL 076-221-0751

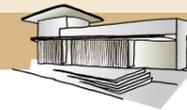
This museum displays different exhibits centering around the theme of four Japanese seasons. Exhibits include calligraphy, paintings, potteries, Kaga inlay products and Kaga gold/silver lacquer ware that were gathered by wealthy families in Kanazawa. Green tea is served in the resting area for those with coupons (tea coupons ¥300). 👉 General Admission ¥310; 65 years or older ¥210; High School students or under: Free. 👉 9:30am ~ 4:30pm (Closes at 5pm). 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3), during exhibition preparation periods.



5 The Fourth High School Memorial Museum of Cultural Exchange, Ishikawa

(Hirosaka 2-2-5) TEL 076-262-5464

This museum building (National Important Cultural Property) houses "Ishikawa Shiko (4th High School) Memorial Hall" and "Ishikawa Modern Literature Museum". The Memorial Museum has reference material related to Shiko as well as multi-purpose exhibition rooms for different types of exhibitions. The Modern Literature Museum also holds exhibitions of materials and recitals related to authors connected to Ishikawa. 👉 Free. Ishikawa Modern Literature Museum General Admission: ¥370, University Students: ¥290, Free for the high school students and below 👉 9am ~ 9pm (Exhibition rooms open until 5 pm) 🗓️ Yearend and New Year(Dec.29 ~ Jan.3)



13 D.T. Suzuki Museum

(Honda-machi 3-4-20) TEL 076-221-8011

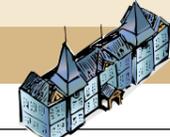
The D.T. Suzuki Museum is dedicated to the Kanazawa-born Buddhist philosopher Daisetz Suzuki whose teachings reached people throughout Japan and abroad. The museum offers spaces for visitors to gain a deeper understanding of his thoughts and to contemplate. The building was designed by global architect Yoshio Taniguchi. 👉 General Admission ¥310; 65 years or older ¥210; High School Students or under: Free 👉 9:30am~4:30pm (Closes at 5:00pm) 🗓️ Every Monday (closed on the Tuesday when Monday is a public holiday), Yearend and New Year (Dec.29 ~ Jan.3), during exhibition preparation periods.



6 Ishikawa Prefectural Museum of Traditional Arts and Crafts

(Kenroku-machi 1-1) TEL 076-262-2020

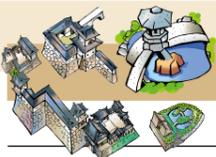
This traditional arts and crafts museum exhibits all 36 types of exquisite arts and craft products of Ishikawa including Kutani porcelain, Wajima-nuri lacquerware, Kaga Yuzen silk kimono, Kanazawa gold leaf, etc. The Museum offers ideas about the total interior coordination of traditional crafts with the modern life. Visitors can also enjoy shopping at museum shop. 👉 Persons between 18~64: ¥260, Persons aged 65 and older: ¥210, Persons below 17: ¥100 👉 9am ~ 4:45pm (Closes at 5 pm) 🗓️ 3rd Thursday during April ~ November, every Thursday during December ~ March, Yearend and New Year (Dec.31 ~ Jan.3)



14 Kanazawa Folklore Museum

(Tobieme-cho 3-31) TEL 076-222-5740

This building was constructed in 1899 (Meiji 32) as a school building of old junior highschool. As a precious western styled building with a detailed pattern of wooden Gothic style, this site has been designated as a National Important Cultural Property. Various items such as tools and implements of the craftsmen as well as folk culture material related to clothing, food and housing of the common people are displayed here. 👉 General Admission ¥310; 65 years or older ¥210; High School Students or under: Free 👉 9:30am ~ 4:30pm (Closes at 5pm) 🗓️ Yearend and New Year (Dec.29~Jan.3), During exhibition preparation periods.



7 Kanazawa Castle Park and Kenrokuen Garden

(Maru-no-uchi 1-1) TEL 076-234-3800

Kanazawa Castle Park offers its visitors an open space surrounded by greenery. This Park continues to stand as a symbol of Kanazawa Castle's historical and cultural heritage for future generations. The restored portions of the Castle such as Hishiyagura Turret, Gojikkennagaya Tenement and Hashizumemon Tsuzukiayagura Turret are the largest wooden structures built after Meiji Period. Kenrokuen is considered as one of the 3 most beautiful Japanese gardens and is designated as a Special Place of Scenic Beauty. Visitors can enjoy the various shades of Garden's beauty in 4 seasons. 👉 Kanazawa Castle Park - Free (For Hishiyagura, Gojikkennagaya, Hashizumemon Tsuzukiayagura and Hashizumemon: Adults ¥320, Children ¥100) For Kenrokuen: Adults: ¥320, Children: ¥100 👉 Kanazawa Castle Park/Kenrokuen Garden Mar. 1~Oct. 15 7am~6pm; Oct. 16~ Feb. end 8am~5pm For Hishiyagura, Gojikkennagaya, Hashizumemon Tsuzukiayagura, Hashizumemon, Kahokumon, Shiguretei and Gyokusen'an 9am~4pm (Closes at 4:30 pm)



15 Maeda Tosanokami-ke Shiryokan Museum

(Kata-machi 2-10-17) TEL 076-233-1561

Kaga Region's famous family 'Maeda Tosanokami Family' which traces its roots to Maeda Toshimasa (who was the second son of Maeda Toshi-ie and Matsu) has preserved over 9,000, handed down through the generations. This museum exhibits one portion of this legacy for public (one portion of this legacy is open to the public at this museum) and Kanazawa's history and culture can be seen through these records of Maeda family which was one of the top 8 Samurai families of Kaga. 👉 General Admission ¥310; 65 years or older ¥210; High School Students or under: free 👉 9:30am~4:30pm (Closes at 5pm) 🗓️ During exhibition preparation periods.

* There will be an extra charge for the special exhibitions which are not a part of the permanent exhibits.
* The museum holidays are subject to change due to change of the exhibits.