

# FREE Japanese Class

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Beginner and Intermediate Classes  
初級和中级讲座  
初級と中級レベルの授業

When? 时间? いつ?

19:00~21:00

Every Tuesday from June 12 to August 21 (except 8/14)

6月12日 ~ 8月21日的毎星期二 (除去8月14日)

毎週火曜日 6月12日 (火) ~ 8月21日 (火) (8月14日を除き)



Where? 讲座地点! どこ?

Obihiro City Hall(10<sup>th</sup> floor)

带广市政府(10楼)

带广市役所(10階)

### Sign-up Deadline 6/8

Contact the Obihiro  
International and Domestic  
Relations Section:

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FAX: (0155) 23-0171

[international@city.obihoro.hokkaido.jp](mailto:international@city.obihoro.hokkaido.jp)

### 报名截止日期

带广市政府

亲善交流课

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### 申込締切: 6月8日

带广市 亲善交流課:

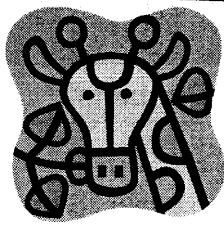
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## Wild Times with Wild Animals

What's happening in Obihiro? The ZOO is happening baby! You don't know where the Obihiro Zoo is? You don't know when it's open, much less why you should go there? Read on to find out all the answers to these questions and more.

**What could be better on a warm sunny day than checking out exotic animals from all corners of the globe?** Many people may think that Obihiro is boring, or that there is nothing interesting to do here, but I would like to counter that with this article about the Obihiro Zoo!

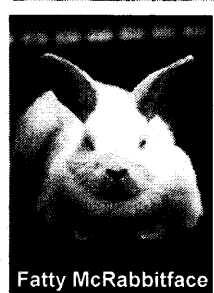
The Obihiro Zoo has to work with quite a tight budget, so they may not have all the bells and whistles that other zoos have, but it still packs a good punch for your dollar; especially if you have little kids along.

First of all, there's the animals; LOTS of animals! They've got hippos, tigers, lions, monkeys, zebras, giraffes, polar bears, sea lions, flamingoes, kangaroos, vultures, beavers, buffalo, geese, camels and many more! (Disclaimer: they may only have one of certain animals. For example, they may only have one lion. However, for continuity's sake I have used the plural form for all the animals here) They also have a "Tiny Tot Farm" with goats, sheep, rabbits, and a miniature horse.

In addition to all these great bests of the wild, the Obihiro Zoo also offers many rides for little kids, like the merry-go-round, go-karts, a "dragon coaster", and a mini train ride. There is even a Ferris Wheel that anyone can ride.



Ok, so now that you know how much fun stuff there is at the zoo, you may be wondering, how the heck do I get there??? Well, if you don't have a car, biking there is easy because it's right in the middle of Obihiro! Also, you can take the bus if you want. It is only a 15 minute ride from the #9 bus stop in front of the Obihiro JR Station. You can ride either bus #70 or #73. Admission to the zoo itself is only 450 yen, but you can get season tickets at discount prices as well.



Fatty McRabbitface

**Zoo Hours**

4/29~ 9/30  
9:00 to 16:30  
(Entry not allowed after 16:00)

10/1~ 11/5  
9:30 to 16:00  
(Entry not allowed after 15:30)

**Prices**

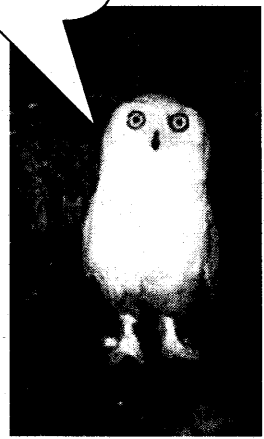
Adult: ¥450  
High Schooler: ¥300  
Parking is FREE



### Special Events

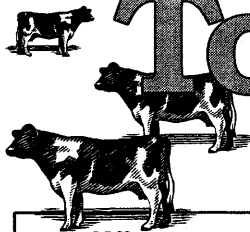
- **Feeding Time:** Get a rare glimpse at the feeding of the lion and the polar bear. (occurs everyday)
- **Night-time Zoo Time:** Come enjoy the zoo after the sun goes down, and watch all the wild things come out to play! (end of July)
- **"On-the-Spot Guides"** tell you stories about a certain animal right outside that animal's cage (mostly on weekends or holidays, in Japanese)
- **Petting Area:** Pet the goats, sheep, horses and mormots at the Tiny Tots Farm, (everyday)
- There are many workshops and petting opportunities for high school students and younger children as well (throughout the year)
- **Winter Zoo:** The zoo even opens up for a day during the winter! Some people may worry about the animals from warmer climates having to deal with the cold Obihiro winter, but worry not. The staff at the zoo make sure the heaters are running hot to keep the animals warm at all times, and the sea lions even have their own heated indoor pool!


What are you looking at?  
No, seriously, what do you want?



# Tokachi Events

## June 2007



When	What	Where/Contact #
5/31 – 6/5 (Thu – Tue) 10:00 – 18:30	<b>Tokachi Photography Public Display:</b> Photographers of all skill levels complete to have their most beautiful shots of Hokkaido displayed at this event. Come and see your local photographers best works displaying Hokkaido and Tokachi.	藤丸デパート Fujimaru Department Store 7 <sup>th</sup> floor Kachimai Salon 0155-22-7555
6/3 (Sun) 9:30 – 15:00	<b>Annual Azalea Festival in Hiroo:</b> Over 12,000 Azaleas will be blooming in Santa Land in Hiroo. You can grill yer own fresh meat in the “eat ‘til you fall over” market. There will also be fun games such as a milk chugging contest!	大丸山森林公園 Daimaru Yama Shirrin Park 01558 – 2 – 0177
6/15 – 8/1 (Fri - Wed) 9:30 – 16:30	<b>Challenging Beauty:</b> Come view 300 years of hairstyles and make-up. By the end of the tour, you'll be all snooty and civilized. Adult: 1000 yen	北海道立帯広美術館 Hokkaido Obihiro Museum of Art 0155-22-6963
6/16 (Sat) 14:00 – 15:00 RSVP by 6/16	<b>Story Telling Around the World:</b> This month we will be reading a Chinese children's book in both Chinese and Japanese. We will also play some games and have a good time. Target audience: children from 3 yrs. old to 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade elementary students. <b>RSVP by TEL, FAX, or email.</b> →	森の交流館・十勝 Tokachi International Relations Center TEL 0155-34-0122 FAX 0155-34-0165 tirc@city.obihiro.hokkaido.jp
6/17 (Sun) 10:00 – 14:30	<b>Yachiyo Farm Festival:</b> Free grilled meat anyone? That's right, a free plate of Tokachi's finest! There will also be fresh produce on sale, brick-oven baked pizza, and a petting zoo, not to mention janken tournaments, tractor rides, and band performances!!!	八千代公共育成牧場 Yachiyo Farm Research Fields 0155-59-2323
7/7 (Sat.) 17:00-21:30	<b>The Whitesnake Goddess Festival:</b> Come see this ancient Ainu legend performed by skilled dancers. The giant white snake costume comes to life in the flames of the surrounding torches. At the end of the night, float your wishes across the lake in a special ceremony. (cost: FREE)	 然別湖畔 Shikaribetsu Lake: Lakeside 01566-6-2311
7/1 (Sun) 10:00 – 15:00	<b>SEKAI NO TOMODACHI :</b> This “Friends of the World” festival is going to have food and performances from all around the globe! There's going to be arm wrestling and other fun stuff to do, so definitely come on over with the kids!	森の交流館・十勝 Tokachi International Relations Center TEL 0155-34-0122

