

Meeting
Geishas
in the
Hanamachi



Hachioji once flourished as the "town of textiles" and there was a Hanamachi (geisha quarter) that served as a place of social gatherings for business people. There were many geishas that entertained with traditional music and dances at special occasions, but the industry withered along with the changing of times, and the number of geishas also dwindled.

Ms. Megumi, the proprietress of the Okiya Yukinoe, decided to preserve the traditions of the Hanamachi. She began to seek out young, new geishas.

Because of her efforts to train new performers, the number of young geishas in their 20s is rising. Apart from serving guests who visit the establishment, these geishas take an active part in local events to perform and contribute to the revitalization of the local region.

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We look forward to
your visit to
Hachioji's Hanamachi

Reviving the Hanamachi

A facility introducing the history and culture of the Hanamachi (Geisha quarter), scheduled to open in 2020 at the center of Hachioji, the Nakamachi district. This is the only Hanamachi district in Tama.

