

Festival #05  
Tradition

# Kurayami Festival

Area **Fuchu**

In the darkness, the portable shrines parade vigorously, the huge drum echoes like trembling earth, the enthusiasm of the people fill the street. Immerse yourself in the festival passed down since times worth remembering.

Prior to the  
Kurayami Festival?

## How about a stroll around Ookunitama Shrine in twilight.

The history and traditions of Fuchu can be keenly felt around Ookunitama Shrine. Saunter about in anticipation of the festival.

There is a lot more to Shinto than meditation. Ritualized horse racing and float parades abound.



Oookunitama Shrine  
Mr. Sawatari



### EVENT INFO

#### Kurayami Festival

The annual Ookunitama Shrine festival features various Shinto rituals held week long. On May 5th, 8 portable shrines and 6 large drums parade through the pilgrimage.



- 🕒 April 30th~May 6th
- 📍 Around Ookunitama Shrine and Babadaimon no Keyakinamiki (zelkoba trees)
- ☎ 042-362-2130 (Oookunitama Shrine)
- 🕒 20 min. from Shinjuku Station by Keio Line Special Express. Get off at Fuchu Station, followed by 5 min. walk.



#### 1 Hotel Keyakigate Tokyo Fuchu



The "light up lobby" seen through a row of zelkova trees beckons all to this most accommodating of hotels. A new base for cultural exchange.

- ☎ 042-369-2727 (Hotel)
- 📍 1-1-1 Fuchu, Fuchu



Jomon no Yu



Fuchu Tourist Information Center

Fuchū sta.

The zelkova trees make the perfect natural monument!



#### 2 Ookunitama Shrine



Oookunitama is one of the oldest shrines in Tokyo. Featuring portable shrines and drums for the Kurayami Festival, Unkei's works and traditional guardian dogs.

- ☎ 042-362-2130 📍 3-1 Miyamachi, Fuchu
- 🕒 6:00~17:00 (6:30~17:00 from September 15th to March 31st)



Fuchū keiba-seimommae sta.

History brought to life through the Kurayama Festival!

#### 4 Tokyo Racecourse



Many equestrian events such as horse riding are held on weekends. The JRA Racing Museum, where you can learn through special exhibitions, is also noteworthy.

- ☎ 042-363-3141 📍 1-11 Hiyoshi, Fuchu
- 🕒 10:00~12:00, 13:00~16:00 (9:00~17:00 if there is a race) / Closed Mondays, Tuesdays, and public holidays (There is a temporary closure)

Fuchū Honmachi sta.

#### 3 Kokushi office and Ieyasu Palace Historic sites Square



A residence from the time of the Musashi Province and the ruins of Tokugawa's falconry. The elaborate model of the Kokushikan and VR from rental tablets are a must.

- ☎ 042-335-4487 (Fuchu City Furusato Cultural Property Division) 📍 1-14 Honmachi, Fuchu
- 🕒 9:00~17:00 (VR scope rental service available till 16:00 in summer, 15:00 in winter) / All year around

#### Fuchu City Local Forest Museum

An open-air museum showcasing the culture of Fuchu City, including relocated and restored historical buildings. View the immersive exhibition of the Kurayami Festival.

- ☎ 042-368-7921 📍 6-32 Minami, Fuchu
- 🕒 9:00~17:00 (~16:00 for entry) / Closed Mondays (Tuesdays if Monday is a public holiday)



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