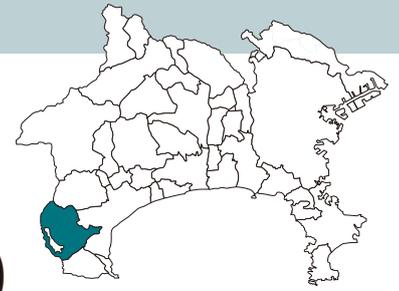


West of
the Prefecture
Hakone Town

Tourist Attraction No.

2221

<Japanese Culture>

Come and meet the geisha girls of Hakone,
Japan's emotional heart!**Yumoto Kenban**
(Hakone Yumoto Entertainment Union)Explanation of
Tourist Attraction

The stage is located on the first floor of the building, which underwent renovations as part of the TV Asahi's television show, "Before and After! That's a Dramatic Change!", and it is possible to see rehearsals going on here from the road as you walk past. The results of the daily rehearsals the geisha girls take part in are revealed once every year (every June) during the Hakone-Odori stage performance. The seats facing the stage are long tatami-style seats so that you can enjoy watching the performance in comfort. Feel free to visit the outside of the theater. Various events are held inside the theater throughout each season (held irregularly).

selling point

The Hakone-odori, which reveals the results of the geisha girls' daily rehearsals, is a must-see. Ozashiki-asobi (traditional games with geisha) can also be enjoyed at your hotel or lodgings. (Contact necessary)

Address	694 Yumoto, Hakone-machi, Ashigarashimo-gun, Kanagawa
Opening Hours	Check the opening days on the following link (Contact necessary): http://www.geisha.co.jp/gyouji.html
Availability of Parking	Chargeable car park located nearby
URL	http://www.geisha.co.jp/

Recommended Season

All year

Group/Individual Mark

 Individual

Target Regions

Europe, North America, Oceania

Access

5-minutes' walk from Hakone Yumoto Station on the Hakone Tozan Line

 **402** Specific Model Route Details

Individual

JR Line [Tokyo Station] +++ (20 minutes) +++ JR Line [Kawasaki Station] ... (5 minutes) ... Toshiba Science Museum (observe the history of Japan's contemporary manufacturing) (60 minutes) ... (5 minutes) ... JR Line [Kawasaki Station] +++ (30 minutes) +++ JR Line [Noborito Station] ... (20 minutes) ... Ikuta Ryokuchi Park (lunch and visit) (Lunch Example: Shirakawago soba noodles restaurant inside the park. Visit to old houses in Japanese folklore Park) (120 minutes) ... (20 minutes) ... Odakyu Line [Noborito Station] +++ (60 minutes) +++ Odakyu Line [Odawara Station] ... (10 minutes) ... Odawara Castle Ruins Park (ninja armor dress-up experience) (90 minutes) ... (10 minutes) ... Odakyu Line [Odawara Station] +++ (15 minutes) +++ Odakyu Line [Hakone-Yumoto Station] ... (5 minutes) ... Yumoto Kenban ... Stay (games with geisha)

Start Tokyo Station (JR Line)

Goal Hakone-Yumoto Station (Odakyu Line)

Time Required 8 hours 30 minutes



Nearby Sightseeing Spot

Suzuhiro Kamaboko (steamed fish paste) Museum

A facility providing hands-on experiences on the history, mysteries, ingredients and nutritional value of kamaboko (boiled fish-paste cakes). Provides the opportunity to watch kamaboko craftsmen using their skills through a glass panel (closed on Wednesdays), and includes a workshop where it is possible to learn how to make kamaboko and chikuwa (fish-paste sticks) (reservations required). A buffet-style restaurant is available within the estate to provide a full day's entertainment.

Hakone Yumoto Hot Spring District

The Hakone hot spring district boasts a history stretching back 1,200 years, and it is one of Japan's premier sightseeing spots. There are twenty different types of hot spring water available in Hakone. The water quality and efficacy differ between them all. The district also acts as the gateway to Hakone, and it is possible to gather together various information on recreation available in Hakone.