

A Journey into the Unknown
Through **Kodan Storytelling**



Way of Japan,
Edo kaido

THE SEVEN WONDERS OF SEVJU

Discover the charm of
Kita-Senju, a hidden part
of Tokyo that calls back
to its days as a Nikko
Kaido post town during
the Edo era.

Folktales and famous
travelogues come to
life through the art of
kodan storytelling
and a Biwa musical
performance at
Jigenji temple.

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FEBRUARY 2024

WEDNESDAY 28

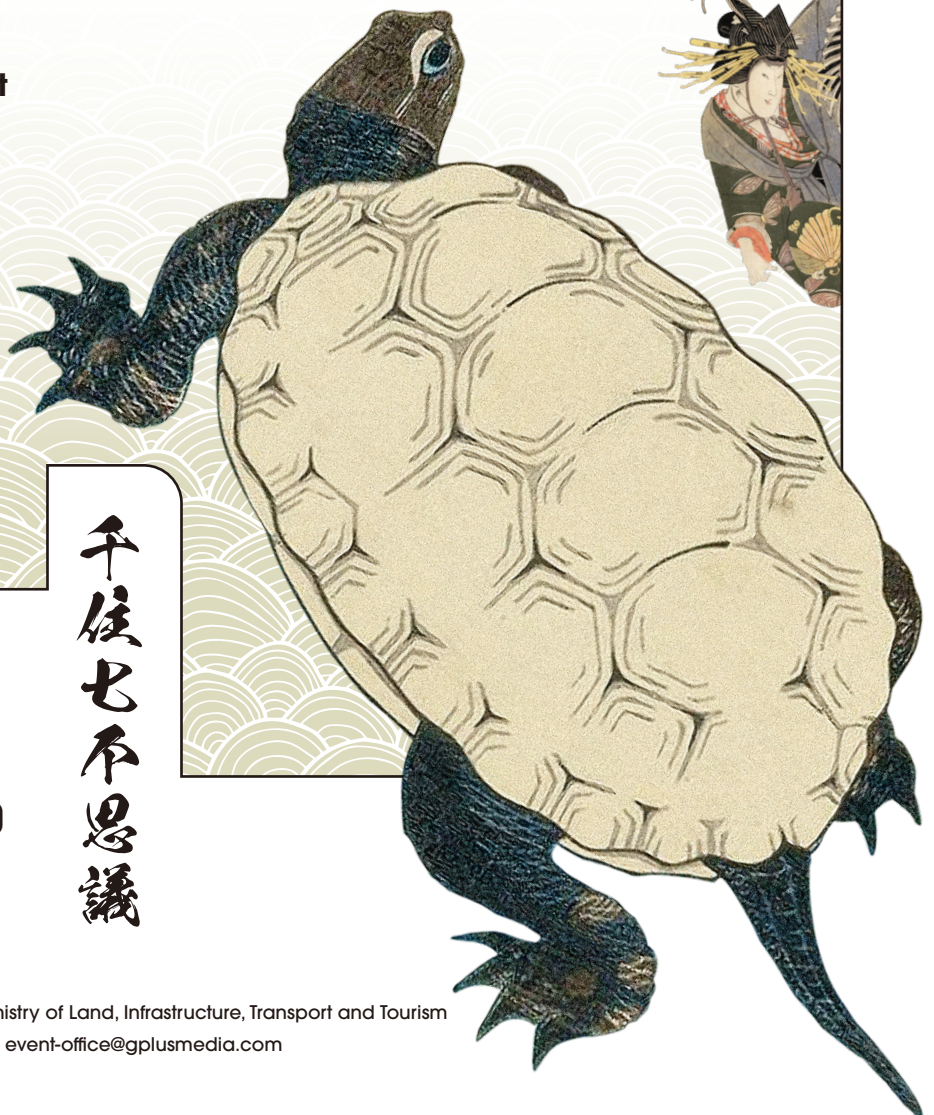
AND THURSDAY 29

(2 performances each day)



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to register

Organizer: Kanto District Transport Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
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PROGRAM

Embark on a journey through the rich historical and cultural legacy passed down through generations along **the ancient roads of Nikko Kaido**. These routes once provided safe passage between Tokyo and the Nikko region in Tochigi Prefecture.

Witness a performance rooted in the **"Seven Wonders of Senju"** in the old Nikko Kaido post town of Kita-Senju, revealing historical and cultural tales through **kodan, a traditional form of oral Japanese storytelling**. Accompanied by **the harmonious sounds of the biwa** (a Japanese lute), stories will be presented in this ancient Japanese storytelling art, using unique tones and props like fans. Some pieces will be performed in Japanese for an authentic experience (English subtitles will be provided). **The seldom-open main hall of Jigenji Temple**, linked with the Tokugawa family, serves as the venue, offering a special stage for Japanese history and culture.

For those who are interested in digging deeper, a free walking tour is also available. **Explore Kita-Senju with an English-speaking guide** and tour sites linked to the "Seven Wonders of Senju." Participation is free for those who register for "The Seven Wonders of Senju: A Journey into the Unknown Through Kodan Storytelling" (maximum 15 people, minimum two people per session).

Secure your spot now for **an unforgettable experience!**

PERFORMERS

STORYTELLER

Yokan Kanda

BIWA PLAYER

Nobuko Kawashima



Date & Time

February 2024

Wednesday 28

1st performance: 15:00 ~ 16:00

2nd performance: 17:00 ~ 18:00

Thursday 29

1st performance: 15:00 ~ 16:00

2nd performance: 17:00 ~ 18:00

Admission

Free

Where

Jigenji Temple

1 Chome-2-9 Senju, Adachi City, Tokyo

Transportation: 10-minute walk from Kita-Senju Station

How to

Participate

Reservations are Required for all performances
(15 people per performance, first-come-first-served basis)

Performances in English with Japanese parts
(English subtitles provided)

Short questionnaire after the performance

Special Program

Street Walking Guided Tour

Explore Kita-Senju with an English-speaking guide

Participation is free of charge, to those who registered to "The Seven Wonders of Senju - A Journey into the Unknown Through Kodan Storytelling"

Date & Time: February 28 - 13:30 ~ 14:30

February 29 - 13:30 ~ 14:30

Tour Outline: Kita-Senju Station - Old Nikko Kaido (shopping street) - Yokoyama Family House - Choenji Temple - Shosenji Temple - Jigenji Temple