2023 Matsumoto winter festival event, "Daikan-Gankake," prayer in the great winter cold

As the winter cold is setting in, we hope everyone is keeping warm and healthy.

It is almost time for our annual winter prayer the "**Daikan-Gankake**," an event that aims to create "bonds and tradition" in the Matsumoto area. It is a major event of the area held every winter, and this year marks the 11th time. We would like to celebrate this event together with everyone, and look forward to many of you participating.

<u>Date and time</u>: Sunday, January 21st 2024

Meeting: Hikawa shrine, 9am

Attendance fee: Adults 2000 yen, High school and under 1000 Yen

<u>Clothing</u>: White shorts (please apply if you would like to rent)

On the way: You can wear a jacket (preferably white), and any footwear (shoes, tabi, etc.) At the ceremony: Men shirtless (fundoshi recommended, rental available), women in Shinto ceremonial kimono (rental available, numbers limited), both with bare feet

*Misogi is a Shinto ceremony, so please try to keep underwear close to white and without patterns.

<u>How to apply</u>: Please bring this form and the attendance fee in person to Matsumoto Community Center

Deadline: Sunday, January 14th

Other: 1. Elementary school students must be accompanied by a guardian

2. For women, the number of costumes available is limited

Contact: Matsumoto Community Center (0776) 22-0085

Please note that photos and articles about the event may be used in newspapers, on tv, posters, social media, our web page, etc.
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Daikan-Gankake application form. Fill in one per individual participant please.
I understand the content of the event and participate at my own risk.
Full name:
Date of birth: Year: Month: Day: (Age:)
Guardian or parent's name (For elementary school students or younger):
Address : Post number: Phone number (mobile ok)
☐ White shorts rental [Size SS (children) – S – M – L – XL – XXL]
\square Without white shorts rental \square Buy Fundoshi (\S 1,000) \square Female ceremonial dress rental (set)
\Box Joining from Hikawa Shrine \Box Join only for Gokoku Shrine Misogi (\leftarrow Please select one only)
☐ Naorai feast participation: Yes No (select one)

[Important!] * Please read the following carefully before applying.

- The program is back to normal from this year.
- This year, we will resume the in person Naorai feast for those who wish to participate (we will provide Nabe hot pot)
- · Wearing a mask is optional, we will not prepare them
- · Please make sure you are feeling well and healthy before participating
- An outline of the event is posted on the Daikan-Gankake website
- Please understand the details of the event and participate at your own risk.

Daikan-gankake website



Matsumoto festival Facebook



Rough schedule for the day:

- 9:00 Gather at Hikawa Shrine, orientation
- 9:20 Spiritual purification and worship
- 9:45 Departure Ceremony
- 9:50 Arrival at Matsumoto Hakusan Shrine, worship
- 10:05 Arrival at Sakuratani Shrine, worship
- 10:15 Arrival at Daiganji Hakusan Shrine, worship
- 10:25 Arrival at Ikuhisa Hakusan Shrine, worship
- 10:35 Arrival at Kyouden Hakusan Shrine, worship
- 10:45 Arrival at Fukui Prefecture Gokoku Shrine, change of clothes, Misogi, worship
- 12:00 Naorai feast
- 13:30 Conclusion