

# Sightseeing Spots along the Toden Arakawa Line (Arakawa & Machiya)

Volunteer tour guides can escort visitors around tourist spots and historical and cultural landmarks in Arakawa City. Service in foreign languages is possible. For more information, send an e-mail to [kankou@city.arakawa.tokyo.jp](mailto:kankou@city.arakawa.tokyo.jp).

# Arakawa City Toden Arakawa Line & Nippori-Toneri Liner Walking Map

**① Ogunohara Park (7-1 Higashi-Ogu)**

Habitat to wild birds and about 30 varieties of dragonfly, crayfish and frogs, this environment in its natural state also grows abundant humid habitat plants such as reeds. It is also a famous location for viewing weeping cherry blossom trees from the super embankment overlooking the Sumidagawa River. The "Shidarezakura (Weeping Cherry Blossom) Festival" is held every year in early April.



**② Nurie Art Museum (4-11-8 Machiya)**

Japan's only museum specializing in coloring-in. This Museum collects and exhibits coloring from Japan and overseas, with a focus on "Kichino-Nurie", popular in the late 1940s to the early 1960s. The Director is Masa Kaneko, niece of coloring book writer Kiichi Tsutaya. Open: Saturday, Sunday, National Holidays. Inquiries: 03-3892-5391



**③ Tropiland Arakawa Store (3-22-11 Machiya)**

This bright store with more than 500 water tanks and a variety of tropical and saltwater fish and ornamental goods etc. is like a small aquarium. Certified as an Arakawa Kosodate Support Store, the store holds events for children such as goldfish scooping etc. Closed: Tuesdays. Inquiries: 03-3892-9438



**④ Jigenji Temple (2-20-12 Machiya)**

Local villagers believed the temple would heal eye diseases and help mothers produce a good supply of breast milk. The grounds hold two stone pagodas dated 1663 and 1678 that are dedicated to the goddess Nyoirin Kannon, as well as a number of other stone works.



**⑤ Haranari Jinja Shrine (2-8-7 Machiya)**

According to legend, when Ieyasu Tokugawa entered Edo in 1590, the farmers from Mikawa moved to Machiya and dedicated this shrine. At the Minami-Senju Susano Shrine Tenno Festival, the shrine serves as an Otobisho (temporary resting point for portable shrine during rituals) every three years at the Gojinko Festival Gohonshamikoshidokyo.



**Arakawa Meister**

The shop of craftsmen who have received specification and registration as an intangible cultural asset in Arakawa City traditional industry art.

1 Fish merchant	Norio Kizuka (Jumashi)
2 Chef (Sushi Craftsman)	Akihiko Watanabe (Shiodokoro Edoshu)
3 Clock smith	Mitsuo Maeyama (Yamada Tokai Gijutsuten)
4 Furnace worker	Masao Kondō (Kondō Furnace Service Ltd.)
5 Makeup master	Hajime Miyata (Miyata Makeup)
6 Clock and Watch Repair	Susumu Takei (Takei Clock and Glasses Store)
7 Martial Arts tool repairman	Reiko Inagaki (Kobayashi Ishindo Ltd.)
8 Precious metal craft works	Kanji Tanzawa
9 Japanese dressing techniques	Sumoe Akabane
10 Tofu maker	Yasuo Kujira (Asahya Kujira Shoten Ltd.)
11 Rubber Craftsman	Mitsuo Murata (Mitsuo Rubber Industries Co., Ltd.)
12 Embroidery	Motoaki Hattoni (Hattoni Shiyuten)
13 Japanese clothing maker	Masao Yajima (Yajima Wasajji)

Inquiries: Management Support Div. 03-3802-3111 (Ext. 459)

**The shops of Arakawa recommendations**

"Souvenirs and recommended articles selected by the Arakawa City community members Part 1" shop.

1 Yasui Tsukudani Store	Tsukudani (Food boiled in soy sauce)
2 Sakura Senbei	Sakura rice cracker (Daikichi-Senbei)
3 Okuraya	Kamayose trout (Boiled beancurd)
4 Akiya	Wasanbon roll
5 Maison Souvenir	Toden Arakawa Line paper weight
6 Tokuei Shoji Ltd.	Square loaf
7 Pain de Parfumer	Brown sugar Dorayaki
8 Noriki-an	Ham and Cheese Tayaki
9 Honkaya	Imagawayaki
10 Hokutaya	YO-YU Toden/Toden Komachi
11 Chikuryu-an Okano (Machiya store)	Galatteo gjanduja
12 Cafe Mugiwara	Kimuchi (Korean pickled cabbage)
13 Sakura Shokuhin Ltd.	Baked goods/Rolled cake
14 Ichigoya	

**Handicraft Tours and Activities**

Makers offering handicraft tours or activities to make your own items.

1 Prostheses/Braces	Tatsudo Kusakaki Prosthetic and Orthotics Support Center
2 Shippo	Kubota Ltd. Nikko Eboshi Shippo Seisakusho
3 Leather accessory manufacture	Nikko Eboshi Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
4 Ebonte products and fountain pens	Atelier Coppola
5 Clothing and miscellaneous goods	Tagaki-Yuzen Itsuko Kasahara
6 Hand dyed textile work	FANSORY
7 Woolen felt and aluminum wire craft article manufacture	Yamamoto Seho Co., Ltd. Takanaka Hinariyoshi Seisakusho Ltd.
8 Reptile leather goods manufacture	Bag-Workshop Vidulus
9 Japanese dolls	Matsuzaki Taihodo
10 Bag repair and remodeling	Doneed Co., Ltd.
11 Woodblock printing	
12 Bag and purse manufacture	

\*Reservations required for tours and activities. (In Japanese only)  
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**Traditional Craftsmen**

The shop which maintains intangible cultural assets (industrial arts technology) by appointing and determining traditional technical craftsmen within Arakawa City.

1 Hair ornament decorated with silk crafts	Kinuyo Tomura (Tomura Shōten)
2 Tailoring scissors	Shiohito Ishiduka (Chōtaro Selsakusho)
3 Fishing rods (made of bamboo)	Kisaburo Nakane (Suzurao Saachō)
4 Sipping	Hiroshi Hatakeyama (Hatakeyama Shippo Seisakusho)
5 Calligraphy on paper lanterns	Tatsuya Ishii (Oshimaya)
6 Forging	Takayuki Tsubota (Takayuki Takayuki Nagayama (Nagayama Seisakusho Ltd.))
7 Woodworks	Hikaru Watanabe (Watanabe Wakago Seizo)
8 Hand dyed textile work	Itsuko Kasahara
9 Folding fan	Yoshiko Fukatsu (Unkindo)
10 Calligraphy on paper lanterns	Hiroyuki Maemori (Chouchiya Maemori)
11 Paulownia chest of drawers	Matsutaka / Yasuo Murali (Mural Chest Store)
12 Japanese dolls	Takayuki Tsubota (Takayuki Takayuki Nagayama (Nagayama Seisakusho Ltd.))
13 Tinner's snips scissors	Seisuke Tanaka (Sigeru Morimitsu Seisakusho)
14 Woodblock printings	Kazuburo Hiroshige Matsuzaki (Matsuzaki Taihodo)
15 Hair ornament decorated with silk crafts	Ichiro Ishida (Ishiri Shoten Ltd.)
16 Woodworks	Ryohichi Akimoto (Akimoto Mokko)
17 Bucket	Tsutomu Miyazawa
18 Forging	Etsuo Sugawara (Sugawara Selsakusho)
19 Gokubuchi frame	Hitoshi Yoshida (Fujiage Seiko Co., Ltd.)
20 Forging	Teruaki Oketani (Oketani Craftworks)

Information: Arakawa Furusato Museum 03-3807-9234 (in Japanese only)

**Legend**

- Major sightseeing spot
- Sightseeing guide sign
- Historic site explanation board
- Shopping Street
- Metro Politan Bus route / Bus stop
- Community bus sakura route / Bus stop
- Community bus shōji sakura route / Bus stop
- Community bus Machiya sakura route / Bus stop
- Children's Playground
- Park
- Playground / Square
- Signal / Crossing name
- Cherry Blossom-viewing spot
- Public lavatory

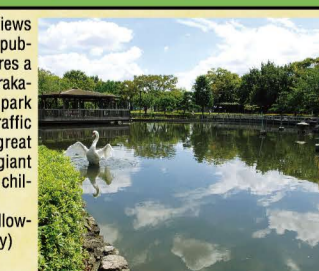
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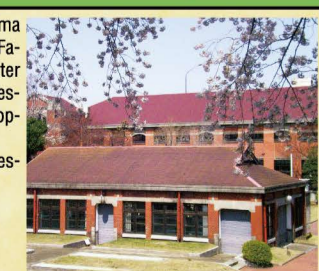
**⑥ Arakawa Natural Park (8-25-3 Arakawa)**

Chosen as one of the "Hundred Views of the New Tokyo", this is the largest public park in Arakawa-ku. The park features a swan pond modeled in the shape of Arakawa-ku, as well as a transportation park where you can have fun learning traffic rules. In the summer, it is also a great place to see summer beetles and giant purple butterflies, and there is also a children's pool. Closed: 1st and 3rd Thursdays (the following day where this is a National Holiday)




**⑦ Mikawashima Water Reclamation Center (8-25-1 Arakawa)**

The red brick Former Mikawashima Wastewater Disposal Site Pumping Facility was the first modern wastewater treatment facility in Japan. It was designated as an Important Cultural Property of Japan in 2007. Important Cultural Property Tour Reservations. Inquiries: 03-6458-3940



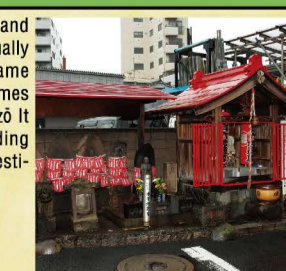
**⑧ Hakusenken Temple (7-17-2 Arakawa)**

The ceiling of the main hall is decorated with "Unryūzu" by Suiken Komuro, and the inner sanctum ceiling is decorated with "Kachōfūgetsuga" by 100 Japanese painters. On the grounds there is also "Yamabuki no Tsuka", which tells the story of Dokan Ōta, who built Edo Castle.



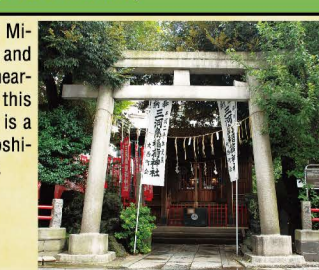
**⑨ Rokujizō (4-10 Arakawa)**

With about 10 Koshin Tower and Jizō stone structures, it isn't actually a Rokujizō (6-Jizō), but became known as this, as well as sometimes being called Hasuda Kosodate Jizō it has become an outpost providing peace to passersby. The Ojuya Festival is held on October 24.



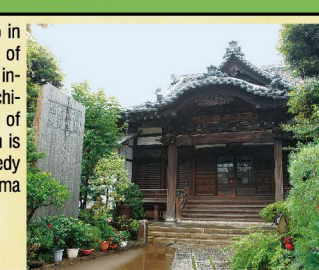
**⑩ Inari Jinja Shrine (3-65-9 Arakawa)**

This shrine is also known as Mikawashima Inari and Myojin Inari, and the place name of Miyaji which is nearby is said to have come from this shrine. To the right of the shrine, is a hand bowl dedicated by Shin Yoshizawa with the inscription " (1779) "




**⑪ Joshoji Temple (3-53-1 Arakawa)**

Extending 3,500 tsubo (11,500m<sup>2</sup>) in the Edo Period, there are a number of stone Buddha and stone monuments, including an inscription on a Koshimachiyu monument from 1666. In front of the main hall the Mikawashima Kannon is enshrined in remembrance of the tragedy of the kokuden(current JR) Mikawashima accident in 1962.



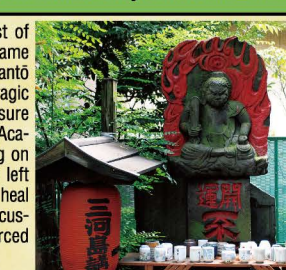
**⑫ Hōkaiji Temple (3-51-3 Arakawa)**

This was devoted to a place for meals during the Shōgun's "Tsuruomari" from the late Edo Period to the end of the Tokugawa Period. On its grounds are the tomb for Geki Shimizu, built in 1629, as well as Yakushi Chōsei said to be effective against eye disease, and the barrel-shaped tomb of Rakugo performer Shirao Tsukudaya etc.



**⑬ Kesazuka Miminashifudō Mitsumine Jinja Shrine (3-22 Arakawa)**

The shrine was built by an priest of Senkōin Temple called Koue. He became the subject of a story by the writer Santō Kyōden that describes the priest's tragic relationship with a Yoshiwara pleasure quarters prostitute. The Fudō Myōō (Acala, the Immovable one) statue sitting on top of the Kesazuka barrow has no left ear and is said to have the power to heal maladies of the ear. It has become a custom to present the deity with pierced wooden bowls as offerings.



**⑭ Arakawa Park (2-2-3 Arakawa)**

Located in the center of the park is the sculpture Yume (Dream) by Seibo Kitamura, a sculptor famous for the Peace Statue in Nagasaki Peace Park. In the spring, the park is filled with cherry blossoms that attract large crowds. Next door is Minonaraki Park, which is planted with apple, cherry and other fruit-bearing trees.

