# ATAMI SGG International Club

# Newsletter issue 3: June 2023

Velcome to Atami SGG International Club and our June newsletter. We are a group of likeminded volunteers, Japanese and foreign, all living in Atami.

We aim to deepen communication and cooperation between residents of all nationalities, provide assistance to new arrivals and help promote Atami as a tourist city.

#### Atami Citizens' Facility Use Card

Citizens of Atami are able to benefit from discounted entry to some of Atami's cultural facilities. The card is free and can be obtained from Atami City Hall, however, your official Japan residency card or driving license can also be used to benefit from the same discounts.

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We will add details of facilities to our website in due course and update it over time. Below are the facilities we know of. If you know of others, please let us know and we will add them.

Facility	Open		Citizen
Kiunkaku	9:00~17:00 except Wednesday	Adult \610	Adult \460
Sawada Seikou Memorial Museum	9:00~16:30 except Monday	Adult \380	Adult \250
Izusan Local Museum	9:00~16:00 except Wednesday	Adult \180	Adult \120
Sosaku-no-ie	9:00~16:30 except Tuesday	Adult \360	Adult \240
Atami Hyuga Villa	9:00~17:oo on Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday and holidays	Adult \1000	Adult \750
Ikeda Masuo Museum	9:00~16:30 on Saturday, Sunday Monday and holidays	Adult \610	Adult \490
Nakayama Shinpei Memorial Hall	10:00~15:30 except Thursday	Free of charge	Free of charge
Sugimoto Sonoko's House	10:00~16:00 on Sunday only	Free of charge	Free of charge
Sasaki Nobutsuna's House	10:00~16:00 on Saturday and Sunday	Free of charge	Free of charge
Tsubouchi Shoyo's House	10:00~16:00 on Saturday and Sunday	Free of charge	Free of charge
Atami Marine Spa	10:00~19:00 except Thursday	Adult \1360	Adult \560
Atami Castle	9:00~17:00	Adult \1100	Adult \550
Acao Forest	9:00~17:00 except Tuesday	Adult \3000	Adult \1000
MOA Art Museum	9:30~16:30 except Thursday	Adult \1600	Adult \1300
Sunremo Ship	9:00~16:00	Adult \1500	Adult \1000

## Erin Gonzalez-Hicks, USA New Atami Resident, English and Spanish Speaker

I am the 3rd Generation of my family living in Japan since the end of World War 2. I grew up at Yokota and Tachikawa Air Force Base near Fussa in the 1970's and am now very happy to be living in Atami, Japan's Beach Side Rivera. A wonderful Japanese word describes the beauty of living in Atami: "Kachoufugetsu" (花鳥風月) meaning the appreciation of natural beauty. The 4 Kanji describe the peaceful, healing Environment Atami well: Flowers, Birds, Cool Breezes, and Bright Moonlight.





#### Natsumi Mochizuki, Japanese living in Atami, Japanese and English speaker

My name is Natsumi Mochizuki. I am in charge of the website at Atami SGG. Since moving to Atami, I have been enjoying the hot springs every day and snorkeling in my spare time in summer. Atami has both ocean and mountains, and I am healed by its scenery that I can see from my window. I usually work as a web engineer, work in the travel industry, and work in education, but I also teach yoga classes from time to time. This year I would like to do beach yoga. Let's enjoy Atami together!

### Atami Events June 2023

6/1-6/11: Atami Plum Garden Hatsukawa Firefly Evening, 7pm-9pm. Atami Tourist Assoc. 0557-85-2222 6/1-6/18: Atami Jacaranda Festival, Jacaranda Promenade. Light up 6pm-10pm. Atami Tourist Assoc. 0557-85-2222

#### **Professional Services**

We would like to hear from Professional Services, such as doctors, dentists, lawyers, real-estate with foreign languages so that we can share your details, free, on our website, social media and issues of our newsletter. Please contact us.

### Atami SGG International Club Meetings and Activities

3rd June Lecture about Ireland, by John Cantillon 11:00-12:30 Venue: Fukushi Centre, Shichokakushitsu (Audio Visual Rom) Next regular meeting: 12<sup>th</sup> June, 14:30-15:30 followed by "English Study" with Dr Kinoshita 15:30 to 17:00 Venue: Ikiiki Plaza 6<sup>th</sup> Fl. Daiichikaigishitsu



We are developing our information and resources for the benefit of all residents of Atami. Is there some useful information about life in Atami you would like to have? We would be delighted to hear from you. email: info@atamisgg.com

