

Events in the Year *18th of every month: Kannon-e

Everyone is welcome to attend.

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| Jan
1st
Shusho-e and Manto Kigan (Prayer) | Jul
18th
Kannon Segaki-e |
| Feb
3rd
Setsubun-e | Aug
10th
Shiman Rokusen-nichi Daikudoku-bi |
| Mar
18th
Shunki Higan-e | Sep
18th Shuki Higan-e
26th Daikokuten Festival |
| Apr
8th
Buddha's Birthday (Flower Festival) | Nov
18th
Shakyo Shoyo-e |
| May
11th
Benzaiten Festival | Dec
18th Kannon Miashi Mairi Prayer
31st End-of-year Fair
Joya-e (New Year's Eve)
Manto Kigan (Prayer) |
| Jun
1st
Amida-e / Kakigara Inari Festival | |

- Visiting Hours July - March 8:00 ~ 17:00 (Last entry at 16:30)
April - June 8:00 ~ 17:30 (Last entry at 17:00)
- Visiting Fee Adults 400 yen (junior high school students and older)
Children 200 yen (elementary school students)
- Parking Standard-size automobile 30 min 350 yen
Large-size automobile 30 min 1,000 yen

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Get off at Hase Station on the Enoden / Five-minute walk www.hasedera.jp

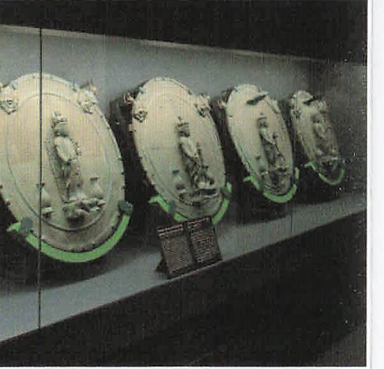
11 Kannon Museum

Comprised of three exhibition spaces, the museum has a video room and touch-panel digital captions that allow visitors to feel close to Kannon Bosatsu throughout the building.

- Hours 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (closes 4:30 pm)
- Closed No holidays temporary closer may occur. Please check our website.

- Entrance Fee Adults 300 yen (junior high school students and older)
Children 150 yen (elementary school students)
- *Hasedera visiting fees are separate.

■ Notices of Regular Publications Hasedera presides over the research group called Kamakura Culture Study Group and publishes the journal Kamakura. It is the only academic journal that advocates "Kamakura Studies."



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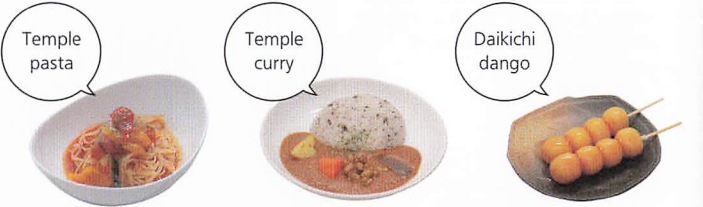
12 Prospect Path

13 Observation Platform

At the Prospect Path, visitors can enjoy the competition of more than 40 varieties of hydrangeas around the time of rainy season. From the Observation Platform, you can also enjoy a panoramic view of Yuhigahama, the Miura Peninsula, and Sagami Bay.

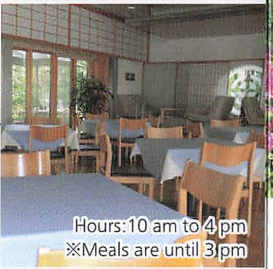
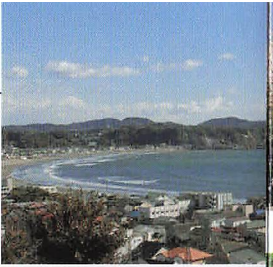
14 Restaurant Kaikoan

We look forward to serving you with meals prepared according to the teachings of vegetarian cuisine and sweets to relieve your fatigue. From here, you can see the panoramic view of Yuhigahama beach that spreads across the window. Please spend a moment of relaxation while you enjoy the view.

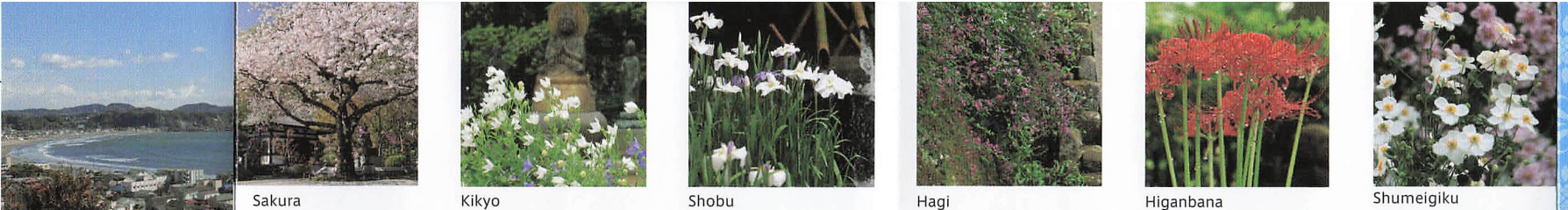


15 Teraya Café & Nagomi Shop

Teraya Café offers a variety of drinks made from carefully selected coffee beans and special soft-serve ice cream. The Nagomi Shop holds a collection of Nagomi Jizo goods. Please stop by and find a cute memento to commemorate your visit to the temple.



Hours: 10 am to 4 pm
*Meals are until 3 pm



鎌倉長谷寺

GREAT KANNON KAMAKURA HASEDERA ENGLISH



海光山慈照院長谷寺
Kaikozan Jishoin Hasedera

According to the legend, Kamakura Hasedera, popularly known as *Hase Kannon*, is one of the oldest temples in Kamakura, built in 736 during the Nara Period. In the 13th century (Kamakura period), the Bando Kannon Fudasho (33 sacred sites for the Kannon representing eastern Japan) were organized, and Hasedera was chosen as the 4th temple. Many pilgrims who worship Kannon Bosatsu (Kannon Bodhisattva) gather at Hasedera, and the light of Buddhism has been kept up to the present day.

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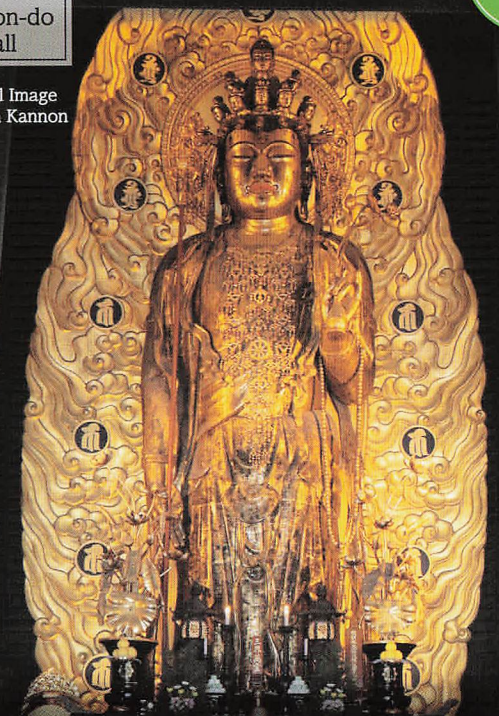
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1 Kannon-do Hall

Principal Image
Juichimen Kannon

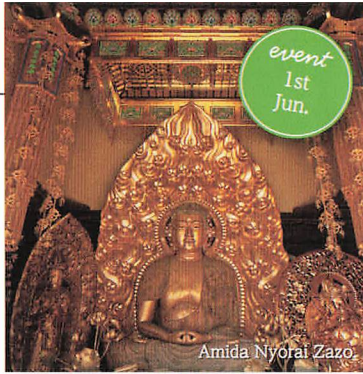


event
18th of every month

The principal image, the Juichimen Kannon Bosatsu Statue, is one of the largest wooden sculptures in Japan, standing 9.18 meters tall. According to the legend, it is one of two statues of Kannon created from a sacred giant camphor tree, which reportedly drifted across the ocean to the sea near Kamakura. Standing on a rock with a monk's staff in the right hand, the statue is of a revered deity, signifying the merits of both Kannon, who grants our wishes in this life, and Jizo Bosatsu (Kshitigarbha), who promises salvation in the next life.

2 Amida-do Hall

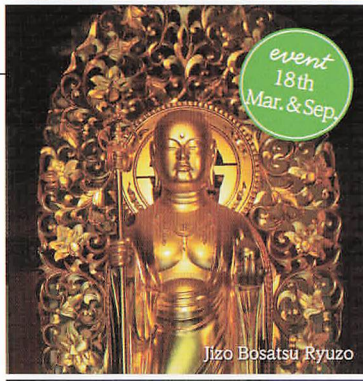
This statue of Amida Nyorai is said to have been created for Minamoto no Yoritomo, the founder of the Kamakura shogunate, to eliminate misfortunes and was worshipped as the "Yakuyoke Amida, eliminator of misfortunes." It is the Buddha who removes people's misfortunes in this life and promises them a life of paradise in the next.



event
1st Jun.

3 Jizo-do Hall

Hasedera enshrines the Enmei Jizoson (in the collection of Kannon Museum), which is said to have been made for Hojo Masako, as well as the *Fukuju Jizo* enshrined in the Jizo-do Hall, and many Jizoson deities enshrined around it (1,000 Jizo) that make offerings for the deceased every day.



event
18th Mar. & Sep.

4 Daikoku-do Hall

In addition to the Daikokuten statue (in the collection of the Kannon Museum), the oldest and most precious in eastern Japan, "Daikokuten, the god of success and good fortune" is enshrined in the Daikoku-do Hall to pray for your good fortune and good luck.



event
26th Sep.

5 Benten-do Hall and Benten Cave

The Benzaiten statue, said to have been carved by Kobo Daishi himself (in the collection of the Kannon Museum), the *Fukutoku Benzaiten* in the Benten-do Hall, and the carvings on the wall of the rock cave (Benten-kutsu Cave) that enshrines Benzaiten and its 16 retinue children pray that your happiness and various wishes may be fulfilled.



event
11th May.

6 Kakigara Inari

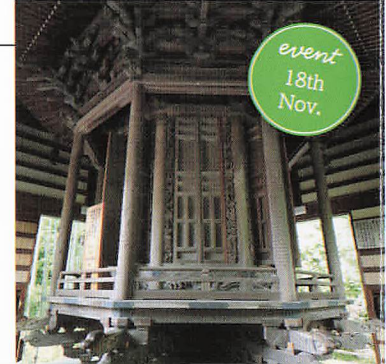
According to the legend, the statue of Kannon drifted on the sea and was guided by the kakigara (oyster shells) attached to its body and washed ashore in Kamakura. We pray that you will be guided to the right path.



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1st Jun.

7 Kyozo

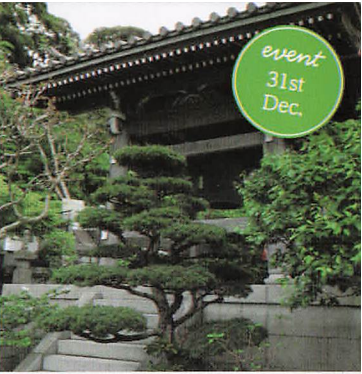
It is said that by turning the rotating bookcase once that is installed inside the hall, one can obtain the same benefits and wisdom as if Issai-kyo (complete Buddhist scriptures) in the case were read out loud. There are also 18 Mani-gurumas (prayer wheels) inscribed with the mantra of the Heart Sutra inside the hall.



event
18th Nov.

8 Belfry

With an inscription dated to the first year of Bunei (1264), Hasedera's old bell is the third oldest bell in Kamakura after Jorakuji and Kenchoji temples (currently on display at the Kannon Museum). The current bell was recast in 1984.



event
31st Dec.

9 Shuin-jo

A "go-shuin" is a kind of certificate that originally was only given to people who had made a hand-copied sutra, but now you can obtain one just by visiting and praying at the temple. Since it differs from a mere commemorative stamp, please treat it with respect.



10 Nagomi Jizo

Other Things to See
 ■ Sculpture and Architecture ■
 Stone Shaka Nyorai Zazo and the Four Devas / Fureai Kannon / Ryoen Jizo / Mokugyo (largest in Japan) / Yakuimon Gate
 ■ Literary Monuments ■
 Haiku-inscribed Monument of Takahama Kyoshi / Bust of Kume Masao / Residence Site of Takayama Chogyu / Haiku-inscribed Monument of Ono Banboku

