

**JAPANESE-THEMED FRINGE PROGRAMMES  
OF THE SAKURA FLORAL DISPLAY**

Programmes	Date/Time	Location	Details
<b>POKÉMON</b>			
<p><b>Sakura Afro Pikachu Meet-and-Greet</b></p> <p>Get close up with Sakura Afro Pikachu and its trademark fluffy pink hairstyle, as this adorable Pokémon makes its first appearance outside of Japan only at Gardens by the Bay!</p>	<p><b>18 March (Sat)</b> 1.00pm – 1.30pm</p> <p><b>19 March (Sun)</b> 10.00am – 10.30am 1.00pm – 1.30pm</p>	Flower Dome	Admission charge to Flower Dome applies
<p><b>Pikachu Dance</b></p> <p>Don't miss dance performances put up by iconic Pikachu.</p>	<p><b>18 March (Sat)</b> 11.00am and 2.00pm</p>	Flower Dome entrance	Free
<b>CULTURE</b>			
<p><b>Touring Springtime Japan</b></p> <p>For one day only, 'Touring Springtime Japan' offers an exciting line-up of activities to showcase the best of Japan's six key regions.</p> <p>Learn about the unique prefectures, culture, traditions and food of these regions, as well as enjoy the opportunity to sample food such as onigiri in different flavours and scrumptious confectionery.</p> <p>Do not miss the rare chance to try your hand at the age-old tradition of mochi pounding, where you will use a wooden mallet to pound flour into a sticky, delicious mochi cake.</p> <p>This event is specially organised by the Embassy of Japan, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), The Japan Food Product Overseas Promotion Centre (JFOODO), The Japan National Tourism Organization (JNTO), and The Council of Local Authorities for International Relations (CLAIR).</p>	<p><b>19 March (Sun)</b> 11.00am – 7.00pm</p> <p><b>Mochi Pounding:</b> 12.00pm and 2.45pm</p>	Flower Field Hall	Free
<p><b>Japanese Musical Performances</b></p> <p>In a special collaboration by the Koto Group and Niki Dokokai groups from the Japanese Association in Singapore, enjoy a medley of popular Japanese tunes performed with the traditional string instruments, Koto and Erhu.</p>	<p><b>19 March (Sun)</b> 11.00am – 11.30am 12.30pm – 1.00pm</p>	Flower Field Hall	Free
<p><b>Japanese Folk Dance Performances</b></p> <p>Move to the beat of the Minyo Club of the Japanese Association in Singapore, as they perform a series of folk dances.</p>		Flower Field Hall	Free
<p><b>Japanese Drum Performances</b></p>	<p><b>19 March (Sun)</b></p>	Flower Field Hall	Free

Japanese drum group Hibikiya will perform a string of music pieces, featuring the taiko and other traditional Japanese instruments.	2:00pm - 2:45pm 3:45pm - 4:30pm		
<p><b>Movie Screening: Belle</b></p> <p>Brought to you by the Japanese Cultural Centre, Belle follows the emotional journey of a high school student who becomes a beloved singer after entering a virtual world. Join her as she uncovers the identity of a mysterious beast who is on the run from ruthless vigilantes.</p>	<p><b>19 March (Sun)</b> 4.30pm - 6.30pm</p>	Flower Field Hall	Free
<p><b>Japanese Tea Ceremony</b></p> <p>Known as the Way of Tea (chado or sado), the Japanese tea ceremony (chanoya) is a ritualised preparation of green tea in the presence of guests. Enjoy live demonstrations of this cherished Japanese tradition against the backdrop of the beautiful cherry blossoms.</p>	<p><b>19 March (Sun)</b> 10.30am - 11.15am 11.15am – 12.00pm 1.30pm - 2.15pm 2.30pm - 3.15pm</p> <p><b>25 and 26 March (Sat and Sun)</b> 12.00pm - 12.45pm 1.00pm - 1.45pm 2.00pm - 2.45pm 3.00pm - 3.45pm</p>	South American Garden in Flower Dome	Admission charge to Flower Dome applies
<p><b>Have Fun with Ikebana!</b></p> <p>Conducted by Ikebana International Singapore (Chapter 135), learn about the Japanese art of floral arrangement and create your own under the guidance of an ikebana practitioner.</p> <p>Visit <a href="http://www.gardensbythebay.com.sg/sakura">www.gardensbythebay.com.sg/sakura</a> for registration details.</p>	<p><b>25 and 26 March (Sat and Sun)</b> 11.00am - 12.00pm 1.00pm - 2.00pm 3.00pm - 4.00pm 5.00pm - 6.00pm</p> <p><b>1 and 2 April (Sat and Sun)</b> 2.00pm - 3.00pm 4.00pm - 5.00pm</p>	Australian Garden in Flower Dome	<p>Registration is required</p> <p>Fees: \$80 (inclusive of materials)</p>