

**[TOKYO FORWARD 2025 for WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS]  
ANNOUNCES SECOND ROUND OF EVENT PROGRAMS  
STAGE PROGRAMS SHOWCASING JAPAN'S ENTERTAINMENT:  
CALLIGRAPHY, TRADITIONAL INSTRUMENTS, SWORD FIGHT, ETC.!  
ALSO FEATURING TRADITIONAL-STYLE STREET FAIR  
AND FOOD TRUCKS USING MADE-IN-TOKYO INGREDIENTS!**

September 13 (Sat.) thru 21 (Sun.) @ Japan National Stadium Exterior Special Stage / Meiji Park

The “World Athletics Championships Tokyo 25 (WCH Tokyo 25),” the world’s pinnacle of athletic sports championships, will take place at the Japan National Stadium for 9 days from Saturday, September 13, through Sunday, September 21. During the Championships, the Tokyo Metropolitan Government will hold “TOKYO FORWARD 2025 for WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS,” a series of events to bring additional excitement to WCH Tokyo 25, with considerations for heat countermeasures.

In addition to the talk shows by Mr. Suguru Osako and other star athletes and an exclusive live performance by Little Glee Monster, announced at the first-round announcement, the event also includes a variety of programs that expose you to “Japan Entertainment,” such as Japanese calligraphy performance by Japanese calligrapher Ms. Bisen Aoyagi, and a live performance by Japanese traditional instrument musicians AUN J CLASSIC ORCHESTRA, to name a few.

In addition to various sports experiences, the Park Area in Meiji Park will feature contents for every generation to enjoy together, such as the “Ennichi” (traditional-style street fair) offering ninja star throwing, and food trucks utilizing ingredients produced in Tokyo.



**Ms. Bisen Aoyagi**



**Ennichi**



**Food trucks**

■ **“TOKYO FORWARD 2025 for WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS” Overview**

**Date/Time:** September 13 (Sat.) thru 21 (Sun.), 2025

- Stage Area: 13:00 ~ Around 18:00
- Park Area: 12:00 ~ Around 19:00

\*Time subject to change, depending on competition schedule on each day

**Locations:**

- Japan National Stadium  
(10-1, Kasumigaoka-machi, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 160-0013)
- Meiji Park (Kasumigaoka-machi, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 160-0013 and other premises)

**Admission:** Free of charge

**Organized by:** The Tokyo Metropolitan Government

\*Details of the events are updated regularly on the “TOKYO FORWARD 2025 for WORLD ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS” special website. Please check back for the latest information.

[URL] <https://www.tokyofwd2025event.metro.tokyo.lg.jp/en/>



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## JAPAN Entertainment @ Stage Area

Presents various contents mainly focusing on “JAPAN entertainment,” such as calligraphy performance, traditional instruments live, and sword fight performances by samurai arts performance team, for visitors from home and abroad to enjoy.

### ■ Ms. Bisen Aoyagi (Japanese calligrapher)



[Appearance] September 13 (Sat.) 15:50~16:20

[Performance overview]

Ms. Bisen Aoyagi will present a dynamic Japanese calligraphy performance, using her entire body to write on mega-sized sheets of paper. Her “calligraphy of the soul” is something for everyone to enjoy, from children to adults, and those from abroad.

She turns her passion into the brush and powerfully expresses the enthusiasm of sport and the beauty of calligraphy, adding to the excitement of WCH Tokyo 25.

### ■ AUN J CLASSIC ORCHESTRA (Japanese Traditional Instrument Musicians)



[Appearances] September 16 (Tue.) 16:45~17:15

September 18 (Thu.) 16:10~16:40

[Performance overview]

With “Making Japanese traditional instruments fun, approachable, and cool!” as their mantra, AUN J CLASSIC ORCHESTRA performs in Japan as well as overseas, music enjoyable even for first-time listeners. The septet has collaborated with numerous renowned artists and appeared in various media. With performance experiences in 25 countries under their belts, they deliver a new form of Japanese traditional instrument ensemble.

### ■ KATANAYA ICHI

(Samurai Arts Performance Team)



[Appearances]

September 13 (Sat.)

14:00~14:30

September 17 (Wed.)

16:10~16:40

September 20 (Sat.)

13:50~14:20

### ■ Mr. Hidekichi Shigemoto

(Sumi-e Artist, Sumi-e Illustrator)



[Appearance]

September 14 (Sun.)

15:25~15:55

### ■ Mahora

(Japanese Traditional Instrument Ensemble)



[Appearance]

September 19 (Fri.)

16:40~17:10

### ■ Seras Saxophone Quartet

(Saxophone Quartet,  
GOA+ registered group)



[Appearances]

September 16 (Tue.)

15:35~16:05

September 17 (Wed.)

15:00~15:30

Also featured on stage are the Japanese festival "omatsuri" performances, and dance performances by Japan's top-notch dance teams, all further boosting the excitement of WCH Tokyo 25. For more information, please check the special website.

## Ennichi, etc. @ Park Area

Ennichi, a traditional-style street fair offering attractions such as ninja star throwing and water pistol shooting, as well as food trucks utilizing ingredients from Tokyo and disaster-stricken Areas in the three prefectures in Tohoku and Noto regions, will be featured in the Park Area.

### ■ Ennichi



[Overview]

Features four different types of attractions, namely ninja star throwing, water pistol shooting, bouncy ball scooping, and fan throwing! From casual fun to rarely available attractions, the “Ennichi,” a traditional staple of summer, offers something for everyone - home and abroad, old and young, and male and female alike.



### ■ Booths

[Overview]

There will be a booth offering opportunities to experience virtual cycling and para sports. In addition, various booths, including those themed on the charms of Tokyo and the disaster-stricken areas (Iwate, Miyagi, Fukushima, and Ishikawa prefectures) will be set up. For more information, please check the special website.



### ■ Food trucks



[Overview]

Visit the food trucks opening up in the Park Area, including “Bread Garden” for Fussa Dog made from ingredients produced in Tokyo, “Tokyo 7858 Food Truck” for outdoor-oriented menu, “Wagyu Yakiniku Hitenryu,” for *menchikatsu* (minced meat cutlet) made from Noto Beef produced in Ishikawa Prefecture affected by the earthquake disaster, “18bunch\_ishikawa” for chiffon sandwich, Fukushima Prefecture’s “Gonokami Seisakusho” for menu using tripe from Fukushima, “Daigomi” from Miyagi Prefecture for menu using Sendai Beef, and “WAGON193 Taiyaki Parfait Food Truck” for *taiyaki* (sea bream-shaped waffle) topped with soft cream. \*For more information, please check the special website.

Also featured in the Park Area (within the Meiji Park premises) are on-stage performances by “Heaven Artists” who have passed the audition of the Tokyo Metropolitan Government.

## Stage Timetable

September 13 (Sat.)	
14:00~14:30	Sword Fight Performance Show KATANAYA ICHI
15:00~15:30	Sponsor Stage Morinaga & Co., Ltd.
15:50~16:20	Calligraphy Performance Bisen Aoyagi
16:40~17:10	Athlete talk show Suguru Osako × Harry Sugiyama

September 14 (Sun.)	
13:20~13:50	Athlete talk show Chisato Fukushima × Harry Sugiyama
14:15~14:45	Sponsor Stage Kinki Nippon Tourist Co., Ltd.
15:25~15:55	Japanese Black Ink Illust Performance "Sumi-e" LIVE Hidekichi Shigemoto
16:35~17:05	Kids Dance Performance Yotsuya Gladdori

September 15 (Mon./Holiday)	
13:50~14:20	Kids Dance Performance Ciel Star Cheer Dance School
14:50~15:20	Japanese Festival "omatsuri" Performance Tokyo Yosakoi Team Sun
16:50~17:20	Little Glee Monster SPECIAL LIVE

September 16 (Tue.)	
14:35~15:05	Japanese Festival "omatsuri" Performance Iyasaka Project
15:35~16:05	Saxophone Quartet Seras Saxophone Quartet
16:45~17:15	Japanese Traditional Instrumental Live AUN J CLASSIC ORCHESTRA
17:55~18:25	Athlete talk show So Takei

September 17 (Wed.)	
15:00~15:30	Saxophone Quartet Seras Saxophone Quartet
16:10~16:40	Sword Fight Performance Show KATANAYA ICHI
17:20~17:50	Dance Performance CyberAgent Legit

September 18 (Thu.)	
15:00~15:30	Japanese Festival "omatsuri" Performance Tokyo Yosakoi Team Sun
16:10~16:40	Japanese Traditional Instrumental Live AUN J CLASSIC ORCHESTRA
17:20~17:50	Acrobat & dance performance BLUE TOKYO

September 19 (Fri.)	
15:30~16:00	Japanese Festival "omatsuri" Performance Tokyo Yosakoi Team Sun
16:40~17:10	Japanese Traditional Music Live Mahora

September 20 (Sat.)	
13:50~14:20	Sword Fight Performance Show KATANAYA ICHI
15:00~15:30	Kids Dance Performance Odaiba Kids Dance MEGJAM
16:10~16:40	Japanese Festival "omatsuri" Performance Matsumoto Gennosuke Shachu
17:00~17:30	Athlete talk show Yukifumi Murakami × Kenshi Sugiyama

September 21 (Sun.)	
16:30~17:00	Japanese Festival "omatsuri" Performance Iyasaka Project
17:30~18:00	Athlete talk show Naoki Tsukahara × Kosuke Hagino

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