

Hawaii Kotohira Jinsha • Hawaii Dazaifu Tenmangu

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NOVEMBER

1 8 am (Internal)

Tsukinamisai Monthly Service

2 - 17 9:30 am - 4 pm

Shichigosan

DECEMBER

1 2 pm

Tsukinamisai Monthly Service

TBD

Cleanup & move to the Hall

26 9 am - 3:30 pm

Hatsumode Personal Worship

Omamori Early Selection

31 11:30 pm

Yearend Purification Ritual



SHICHIGOSAN PREP

Cleanup and preparations began on 10/8 for the annual Shichigosan, Totose no Oiwai, Jusan Mairi and Seijin Shiki blessings.

MAHALO Volunteers

10/8

Art Isa Arthur Isa

10/13

Arthur Isa Diane Nishida
Becky Isa Gary Shinsato
Marilyn Naitoh Linda Shinsato
Craig Nishida Jasmine Umeno



GOKITO Private Blessings



An Inurnment ceremony was performed on 10/25 at Nuuanu Memorial Park.

Inurnment is the technical term for when cremated remains or ashes are placed into a grave or niche.

An Inurnment ceremony is meant to show honor and respect to the deceased as their remains are being placed into their final resting place.



A private blessing was performed for shrine friends on 10/27

Shichigosan Totose no Oiwai Jusan Mairi

OCT 20 - NOV 17

There are a few more openings in November.

Below is the link to our online reservation system:



<https://jinja.us/shichigosan.html>



SHICHIGOSAN Volunteers

Mahalo volunteers for generously giving your time, energy and sharing of your talents and skills. We are blessed to have you as a member of our team!!!

Renee Carlyle
Gayle Fujihara
Bryson Goda
Carolyn Haik

Kathy Hamada-Kwock
Stacie Hata
Becky Isa
Tom Jannuzzio

Milton Kwock
Marilyn Naitoh
Chris Omuro
Naomi Teramoto



Chitose Ame or Thousand-year candy is a special candy given to children at *Shichigosan*.

Chitose Ame was first concocted by *Shichibei*, a candy merchant in Asakusa during the early 1800s and reflects the wishes of parents that their child live a long, healthy and prosperous life.

Unfortunately, the long, stick-like millet candy wasn't too popular with local children, so the shrine opted for the popular Milky *Chitose Ame* using a rich cream from Hokkaido, made by Fujiya,

Fujiya is a chain of confectionery stores and restaurants which first opened in Yokohama in 1910.



KINRO KANSHA NO HI

Kinro Kansha no Hi is a day dedicated to honoring hard work and expressing gratitude to the many contributions by members of the community.

Originally, November 23 was an ancient harvest festival known as *Niinamesai*. *Niinamesai* revolved around the offering of freshly harvested rice to the *kami*. The ritual dating back thousands of years gained official recognition during the Meiji era(1868 - 1912).

During the Meiji era, Japan experienced major socio-economic changes. These changes reflected Japan's shifting values, emphasizing appreciation for labor and communal effort.

The day is marked by recognition ceremonies - where companies award promotions and gifts to deserving employees.

In schools, students participate in educational projects highlighting the crucial role of work in society,

Kinro Kansha no Hi takes place on November 23 unless the day falls on a Sunday, then it is moved to the following day, creating a long weekend.



MAINTENANCE



The split air conditioners and condensers were give its annual cleaning and maintenance on 10/8



Pressure washing of the hall was done after the departure of the preschool

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