

# First in Asuka, First in Japan

One thousand four hundred years ago, during the formative years of the Japanese state, Asuka was the capital of Japan for almost a whole century. The newly forming state was under heavy continental influence and as such, Asuka had seen the introduction of many new ideas and techniques originating in continental Asia. Relive these exciting times as they have been revealed through archaeological excavations.

## The first Buddhist temple



The pagoda of Asukadera Temple (Part of the miniature of ancient Asuka)



Miniature of ancient Asuka

## Lobby

Take in the atmosphere of ancient Asuka with the help of a uniquely shaped fountain dating to the seventh century and a detailed miniature of the capital.

## The capital where it all started



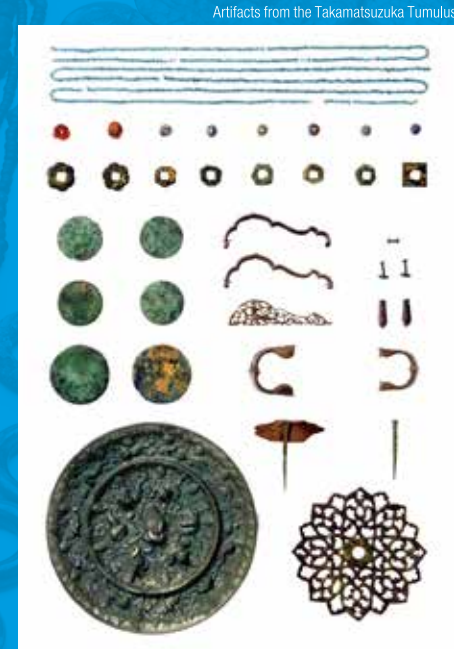
Humanoid Stone Sculpture unearthed at the Ikaruga Site

## State-of-the-art stone carving in action

## Asuka Historical Museum

## Exhibition Room 1

Explore the history and culture of Asuka through the unearthed artifacts.



Artifacts from the Takamatsuzuka Tumulus

## The first Buddhist treasures



Reliquary from the pagoda of Asukadera Temple

## The oldest star chart in the world



Ceramic replica of the Kitora Tumulus murals

## The first terracotta roof tiles



Tiles of Asukadera Temple

## The first clock pavilion



Model of the structural remains of Mizuochi Site



## The first coins

Fuhonsen coins unearthed at the Asuka-ike Workshop Site

## Exhibition Room 2

The oldest material revealing ancient temple construction. See the actual remains of the eastern corridor documenting the majesty of ancient Asuka. These wooden remains are even older than Hōryūji Temple.



The eastern corridor of Yamadadera Temple



Artifacts of Yamadadera Temple

## Mini Theater

Watch videos about the culture and history of Asuka or the excavation of the Takamatsuzuka Tumulus here.



## Garden

The garden brings together the stone monuments of Asuka in the form of life-size replicas.



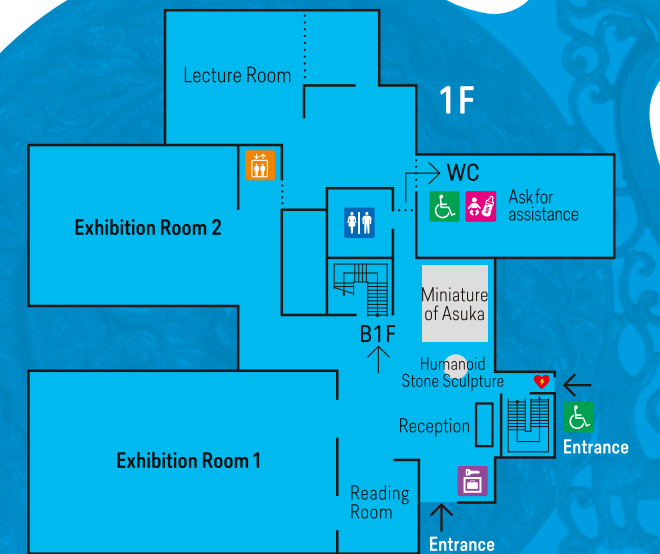
## Special Exhibition Room

Temporary exhibits feature previously unseen materials and other wonders of Asuka.



## Feature Exhibit

Model of the burial chamber of Takamatsuzuka Tumulus. See the fine details of the burial chamber in this life-size model.



## Floor Map

### Hours:

9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(Last admission: 4:00 p.m.)

We are open every day except Mondays\* and during the year-end holidays.

\*If Monday falls on a public holiday or substitute holiday, we will be open that day and close the following day.

### Admission:

Adults: ¥350 University & college students: ¥200  
Visit our website to learn about available discounts.

Admission to the garden is free of charge.

### Getting Here:

- From Kintetsu Railway Kashihara-jingumae or Asuka stations: Take the local bus and get off at Asuka-okuyama, Asukashiryokan-nishi.
- From JR or Kintetsu Railway Sakurai stations: Take the local bus and get off at Asukashiryokan.

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