

HARAJUKU

KIDDYLAND AND ORIENTAL BAZAAR

Dedicated to youthful trend, and the belief that all consumers under the age of 25 are created equal, HARAJUKU thrives as the youth capital of Tokyo - for kids, teens, young adults, and those young at heart. For fashion, the district beats any other part of Tokyo. Most of the big designers' shops are in nearby Aoyama and Shibuya, but cheap knock-offs and play clothes overflow from the hundreds of shops near the central crossing and lining the back streets. Be sure to check out Takeshita Street to find inexpensive unique and interesting goods.

◆OTA MEMORIAL UKIYOE MUSEUM: Phone 03-3403-0880

Located behind La Foret is a great to find woodblock prints. The Museum is open Tuesday thru Sunday, from 1030 - 1730 (last admission is at 1700). The Museum is closed on Mondays and from the 25th thru the end of each month.

Regular Admission: Adults ¥900 College/High School ¥700
 Junior High ¥500 Elementary ¥300.

Admission may vary for special exhibit.

◆KIDDYLAND: Phone 03-3409-3431

Toys, Toys, and more Toys... Kiddyland is a five-story toy store which specializes in imported and local toys, dolls, games, books, records, remote controlled cars, and just about anything you could mention in the area of creative, educational, and unusual toys. Many of the books and magazines are in English. Open daily from 1000 - 2000 except the 3rd Tuesday of each month when it is closed.

◆ORIENTAL BAZAAR : Phone 03-3400-3933

Just down the street from Kiddyland is the Oriental Bazaar. Aptly named because it is filled with quality items: new and used kimonos, brass, art, pearls, lacquer ware, prints, and more. The Oriental Bazaar is open every day except Thursdays, 0930 - 1830 and some of the staff speak English.

* HOW TO GET THERE

From YOKOSUKA:

1. Go to YOKOSUKA CHUO 横須賀中央 Station (KEIKYU Line) and buy a ¥780 transfer ticket for HARAJUKU 原宿 on JR YAMANOTE J R 山手線 Line.
2. Take a GREEN or RED KANJI train from track #2 to SHINAGAWA 品川.
3. Get off at SHINAGAWA 品川 and transfer to JR YAMANOTE J R 山手線 Line headed for SHINJUKU 新宿 on track #2. Get off at HARAJUKU Station and you give up the ticket here.



From IKEGO:

1. Go to JIMMUJI 神武寺 Station and buy a ¥710 transfer ticket for HARAJUKU 原宿 on the JR YAMANOTE Line 山手線.
2. Take a train from track #2 to KANAZAWA BUNKO 金沢文庫 (or Kanazawa Hakkei 金沢八景) and change to a GREEN or RED KANJI train bound for SHINAGAWA.
3. **Continue as above #3.**

*Note: During certain time of the day it may be necessary to switch trains at KANAZAWA HAKKEI.

HOW TO GET TO KIDDYLAND AND ORIENTAL BAZAAR:

After leaving through the main station exit, look to the right for a large intersection. It's easy to recognize by the pedestrian overpass. Go to the pedestrian overpass and cross over in the direction of the CO-OP OLYMPIA and take the stairs down to your left. You will be on the right side of the road. Keep walking in this direction until you pass the first major intersection. It is in this second block that you will find KIDDYLAND. The ORIENTAL BAZAAR is about 100 meters farther down the street, on the same side of the street as Kiddyland.

HARAJUKU SUNDAY EVENTS:

After leaving through the main station exit, look to the right for a large intersection. It's easy to recognize by the pedestrian overpass. Walk in the direction of the overpass and, when you get to the corner, turn right and follow the road, right through the middle of the oddest outdoor concert(s) you've ever seen.