

Events and Festivals on Oyamazumi Shrine

Tsuruhime Festival



The center is Tsuruhime.

[Teams from Outside]



Takehara City Hall Team



Takehara Team



Team Munakata



Team Wives in Higai

This festival is held every summer in memory of Tsuruhime, who was called “Jeanne d’Arc of the Inland Sea.” A female islander plays the role of this princess, the main character of this festival. We can enjoy many food stalls and attractions.

Tsuruhime was born in the Sengoku Era as a daughter of Ohori Yasumochi, the master of the shrine. She joined the battle with the Ouchi Navy which came to invade Omishima, and beat it. However, she killed herself after her boyfriend was killed. Her bronze monuments are seen in some places of this island.

[Local Teams]

PICK UP !



Team Konohana
Sakuyahime

Our Schoolmates and graduates belong to this team! We made V3 this year.



A graduate of our school

We are aiming at V4 !

Tsuruhime Race

This is a time race, one of the biggest events in this festival. Quite a few teams from outside Omishima also join it. The boats called “Kaidenma” are used. Once this kind of boat with oars was used by the local pirates. The tournament is divided into males and females. The winners are awarded a trophy, a certificate and prize money.

Appealing Points of Rowing the Kaidenma

The participants say it’s fun to try their best, to cooperate together, to wear appealing costumes, to feel the season of summer, and so on.



A variety of events are waiting for you!

Reitaisai ▪ Atomiyasai



This festival is held on the days falling on April 22 and 23 in the lunar calendar, which were the dates the shrine moved to the present place. It’s also called “the Great Spring Festival.” People are looking forward to the food stands. Fish-shaped pancakes are sold near the Second Gate. You can enjoy three types of flavor, bean jam, custard and curry. They are all worth trying ♪ Why not eat them? !

Otauesai ▪ Nukihosai

Otauesai, a traditional event, takes place on May 5 in the lunar calendar. Several maidens selected from the island plant rice in the shrine. It is harvested and offered to the shrine on September 9 on the lunar calendar. This event is called Nukihosai.



抜穂祭

Hitori Zumo (The Sole Sumo)



This is performed at Otauesai and Nukihosai, and designated as an intangible folk cultural asset in Ehime. The wrestler called “Ichirikizan” has a three-game match against “the soul of rice.” seeing Ichirikizan’s emotions or seeing him pushed to the edge of the ring, we feel as if we watched the real sumo. It’s said that if the soul of rice wins, we will have a good harvest this year. The sumo tournament for elementary school pupils is held here, too.

“The soul of rice” wins by 2-1 every year.

↑ Can you see the soul of rice?



Ubusuna Taisai

This is the greatest two-day festival here held late September to celebrate a good crop. Children in each area give a lion dance and carry a portable shrine. They practice for about two weeks. Many kinds of lions and portable shrines make the festival livelier.

