

Japan Gallery

Floor MAP

2F North Japanese People and Nature

1.A Journey of the Japanese

- 1.The Historical voyage of the Japanese people

2.The Beginnings of Human History in the Japanese Islands: Our Late Paleolithic Ancestors

3.Hunter-gatherers in the Archipelago: the Life Skills of the Jomon People

- 2.Reading the bones: what sort of people were the Jomon?
- 3.Jomon lifestyles

4.Yayoi People from the Continent and the New Development of Wet Rice Farming

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- 5.Yayoi lifestyles

5.The Formation of the Modern Japanese

- 6.Changes in regional populations
- 7.The Ryukyuan, the mainland Japanese and the Ainu

6.The Lifestyles and Health of Our Ancestors as seen from Bones

- 8.Stories from bones
- 9.Recent ancestors

7.Organisms Surrounding the Japanese

- 10.Influences on the nature
- 11.Organisms brought into Japan
- 12.Endangered organisms
- 13.The organisms bred by the Japanese

8.The Natural Environment Supporting the Japanese

- 14.The diversity of rice
- 15.Environmental changes associated with rice cultivation
- 16.Rice and the development of technology



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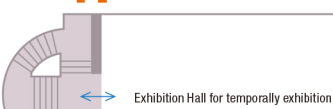
- 1 Foucault Pendulum
- 2 THEATER 360



1F Central Hall

It is a soaring lobby which has a vaulted ceiling with beautiful stained glasses, Neo-Renaissance architecture that allows you to rest in comfort.

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Exhibition Hall for temporary exhibition

3F North History of the Japanese Islands

A Plesiosaur: Futabasaurus

1.The Geological Framework of the Japanese Islands

- 1.Continental fragment in the Japanese islands
- 2.Rock species in accretionary complex

2.Before Formation of the Japanese Archipelago

- 3.The oldest-known fossil in Japan
- 4.Flourishing coral sea

- 5.Brachiopods' paradise
- 6.Paleozoic vegetation
- 7.An early ichthyosaur: Utatusaurus
- 8.Using fossils to date layers of rock
- 9.Mesozoic vegetation
- 10.Garden of crinoids
- 11.The first dinosaur discovered in Japan
- 12.Reef of konbostrea
- 13.Sea of ammonites
- 14.An enigmatic fossil - plant or animal trace ?

3.Opening of the Sea of Japan and Formation of the Japanese Archipelago

- 15.Forest of Japanese coal age
- 16.Before the opening of the sea of Japan
- 17.Opening of the sea of Japan / sea of Vicarya

4.Glacial and Interglacial Ages

- 18.Metasequoia forest
- 19.When elephants thrived in Japan



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2.The Beginnings of Human History in the Japanese Islands:

1.Astronomical Observation : Astronomy / Celestial Globe

2.Earthquake Measurement : Seismograph

3.To Measure Time: Clocks and Watches

4.Tiny Miracles: Microscopes

1.Evidence of Migration and Speciation

2.Plant's Adaptive Strategies for Survival

3.Animals Separated by the Sea

1.Nature of the Japanese Islands from North to South

2.Japan's Bountiful Seas

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1F South Techniques in Observing Nature

1.Astronomical Observation : Astronomy / Celestial Globe

- 1.Japanese calendars
- 2.Celestial and terrestrial globes in Edo period
- 3.What we have observed with telescopes

2.Earthquake Measurement : Seismograph

- 4.To read motion of the ground
- 5.Development of seismographs
- 6.Evolving seismographs

3.To Measure Time: Clocks and Watches

- 7.Temporal hours and the Japanese clock, Wadokei
- 8.Modernization of clock industry

4.Tiny Miracles: Microscopes

- 9.Scientific ideas inspired by curiosity
- 10.Challenging the minimum : ultramicroscopes

3F South Nature of the Japanese Islands

1.Nature of the Japanese Islands from North to South

- 1.Nature and seasons of the Japanese islands
- 2.Subtropical zone
- 3.Warm temperate zone
- 4.Cool temperate zone
- 5.Subarctic zone
- 6.Japanese mosses, lichens, fungi, slime molds and freshwater fishes

2.Japan's Bountiful Seas

- 7.Features of the seas around Japan
- 8.Kuroshio current (temperate zone)
- 9.Kuroshio current (subtropical zone)
- 10.The Japan sea
- 11.Oyashio current (subarctic zone)

3.Active Japanese Islands

- 12.Geology of the Japanese islands
- 13.Plate motion around the Japanese islands
- 14.Minerals in Japan
- 15.Meteorites fallen in Japan



2F South Organisms of the Japanese Islands

1.Evidence of Migration and Speciation

- 1.The history of organisms, revealed by DNA
- 2.Changes revealed by the shapes of birds
- 3.Marine animals of tropical/subtropical origin

2.Plant's Adaptive Strategies for Survival

- 4.Plants and geological history
- 5.Alpine plants: survivors of the Ice ages
- 6.Plants distributed in unique areas

3.Animals Separated by the Sea

- 7.How islands' history is indicated by vertebrates
- 8.Native land snails of the Nansei islands
- 9.Speciation mechanisms in insects
- 10.Blakiston line and birds
- 11.Organisms of the Ogasawara islands

4.Adaptation to the Climate

- 12.Larger in the north, smaller in the south
- 13.Living with snow



- Toilets
- Drinking fountain
- Accessible toilets/ Baby changing stations
- Elevator *Accesible
- Nursing room
- Ostmate toilets