

# Walking Tour: Kobe City Museum and Old Foreign Settlement, *plus* Encounter with permanent exhibition at Museum.

## Attention International Students Staying in Kobe!

The opening of Kobe Port in 1868 (shortly before Meiji) was quickly accompanied by the creation of the Foreign Settlement area where foreigners were allowed to freely reside and conduct business.

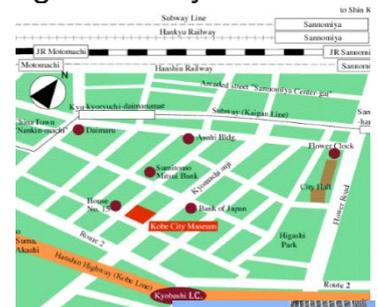
Foreign settlements were also introduced in Yokohama, Kobe, Osaka, Tokyo, etc., but were abolished and repatriated in Year Meiji 32, or 1899, by revision of relevant treaties. So, in Kobe, the place came to be known as the “Old Foreign Settlement”.

In the former settlement area around Kobe City Museum are many spots where you can intimately feel Kobe’s history through numerous historic sites and monuments scattered around there. You are bound to run into them as you walk around in search of retro-looking buildings.

Taking the opportunity of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the port’s opening this year, we have arranged for a “Walking Tour of the Old Foreign Settlement” which would allow you to enjoy the cityscape with an exotic atmosphere.

Following the tour, you are welcome to take a tour through the city museum’s permanent show. So do make sure to join the fun event!

- Date & Time : Oct. 14 (Sat), 2017; 10:00~12:00
- Place : Kobe City Museum and The Old Settlement
- Applicants : International students staying in Kobe
- Capacity : 10 persons. first-come/first-served basis
- Deadline : Apply by Oct. 13 (Fri)
- Fee : Free of charge
- Program : 10:00 Kobe City Museum gather at the main entrance  
10:00 Start the walking tour  
11:30 Enjoy the Kobe City Museum’s permanent exhibition  
12:00 Tour ends.



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