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## TOPICS

### Excavated articles of Nishi-Beppu-cult-sites

Excavated articles of Nishi-Beppu-cult-sites were specified for the designated cultural property of the prefecture in March. The specified cultural properties are earthenware to which a replica made of the stone to have person and horse's shape, and an enchantment character are written with the Indian ink. There are 359 pieces in total.



Excavated articles

### Beppu regional excavation relic exhibition and lecture



The exhibition and the lecture of the relic found by the excavation investigation were held in the Beppu region in a municipal Beppu public hall from 1st to 7th in February. This event was held to introduce the history in the region, and to raise the love for one's home province. The Yokomaguri sites excavated article designated cultural property of the prefecture and the Nishi-Beppu dilapidated temple excavated articles were exhibited in the hall.

### About the damage situation of the city cultural properties caused by Great East Japan Earthquake

Two cultural properties that existed in the city undertook damage caused by the earthquake. A part of sculpture in Kangiin(in Menuma) of the country specification important cultural properties fell. Also, a part of Mr. Amano's grave in Jokoin(in Kami-chujo) collapsed. These cultural assets were repaired soon.

### City excavation information

#### Hakoda's pavilion mark

Clay dolls of Jomon Period and graves of the Kofun period were discovered.



The clay doll

When the excavation was investigated about the Kamino district to which it went from January to the end of March, we confirmed sites of about beginning the latter term on the age of Jomon (About 3300 years ago) and Kofun (About 1700 years ago) period. Moreover, we discovered an unusual clay doll and a special grave that is classified ditch surrounding a settlement tomb.



### Serials Protection activity of buried cultural properties

#### Chapter6 About Construction attendance

When people build house or enterprises develop ground, we should protect various buried cultural properties. We occasionally attend the construction site based on the content of the written report from the trader. This chapter explains the step for the work.

Additionally, it reports on the number of the written report and inquiry document in 2010 fiscal year.

## Reports

### Seikeien owning art exhibition

The owning art exhibition has been held from March to October on the wall of Sekisuikaku in Seikeien. The paintings and writings are composed by the creation by famous writer in the city, Ohno Momoki, Yoshihara Gafu etc.



### The display that explained "Sekizo Jyusanbutsu"

We set up the sign pole to guide the designated cultural property to this Baiganin(in Ikegami) in the end of March. The pole explains "Sekizo Jyusanbutsu" which is composed by 13 buddhist images made of the stone in 17th century.



### Investigation of "Front desk of the kamakurabori"



In the middle of February, we investigated "Front desk of the kamakurabori"(the tangible cultural properties and craft goods) that is the Korin temple of Higashi-Beppu owned. Kuymagaya city specified this desk as a cultural property in 1958. It fixed a beautiful sculpture and the lacquer.

### Heritage Pilgrimage —Shio mounded tomb cluster

Shio mounded tomb cluster was specified for the Saitama Prefecture specification historic site in 1960. These old tombs are cultural heritages constructed from 4th century to 6th century. Shio is located southwest of Kumagaya. Though it is likely not to be clarified, these mounded tomb cluster are the valuable data, it shows the history of the old tomb in the prefecture.



## Cultural Properties Column

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#### Mysterious history of Haniwa Armored Man with Short shell

This column introduces a mysterious history of the clay image (Haniwa Armored Man with Short shell,) and explains the artistic value. Tokyo National Museum owns this Haniwa now.



#### ◇ Introduction of special exhibition — Excavated articles of Nishi-Beppu-cult-sites

	Place	Session
①	Municipal Kumagaya library (Third floor ) : Hometown exhibition room	Sunday, September 4 from Tuesday, April 26, 2011 Close: Monday, the first Friday
②	Kumagaya City KONAN Cultural Properties Center	Friday, July 15 from Monday, May 23, 2011 Close: Saturday, Sunday, and holiday

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