Japan's first kanji museum here in Gion, Kyoto

The Kanken Japan Kanji Museum & Library (Kanji Museum) is an interactive museum full of surprises and discoveries, featuring exhibits that enable visitors to not only see but also touch, learn, and enjoy the exhibits. The museum promotes the culture of kanji in Japan to not only domestic but also international visitors, and fosters intellectual curiosity about kanji in future generations, thereby encouraging more children and adults to become interested in kanji.

[1F]Features engaging interactive exhibits such as projections, graphics, and hands-on displays that stimulate interest in learning about the history, development, and transformation of kanji into unique characters in Japan.



[2F]The theme-park-style exhibition area showcases the system and characteristics of kanji, as well as tools for playing with it. Visitors can familiarize themselves with kanji while having fun and take pictures in the photo spots that are provided.



■Admission:

Adults	University and high school students	Junior high and elementary school students	Preschool children Disabled visitors
¥800	¥500	¥300	Free

■Audio guide:

Explanation of exhibits is only in Japanese. But we have audio guides available in English, Chinese and Korean for 500 yen per person.

■Location: 551 Gionmachi Minamigawa, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto-shi, Kyoto 605-0074, Japan

By Train:

Gion-Shijo Station (Keihan Main Line) Kawaramachi Station (Hankyu Kyoto Line) Higashiyama Station (Tozai Subway Line)

∎By Bus:

- Kyoto City Bus: Route 12, 31, 46, 80, 100, 201, 202, 203, 206, or 207 to Gion Station

- Closed: Mondays, New Year holidays, and occasional temporary closures
- Hours: 9:30 am to 5:00 pm (last admission: 4:30 pm)

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