

# 11 Kanayama Station and More

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A : Wow! This is a big station, isn't it?

B : Yeah. This is Kanayama Station. You can take Meitetsu Lines, subways, JR Lines, and city buses here. You can easily access any place in Nagoya from here. You can also reach Sakae, the busiest area of Nagoya, from here.

A : Well, it really is a lively place. It seems that many people come to Kanayama, not only for public transportation, but also for fun.

B : You're right. As Nagoya Civic Hall is close by, it gets very crowded in Kanayama when a concert is held. Nowadays, I hear that many fancy restaurants and bars have opened around here.

A : Hey, look! A group of men are playing music, and so many people are gathering around them!

B : Yes, maybe they are from South America. The music they are playing sounds like Peruvian songs.

A : I think they're pretty good. I hope they will perform my favorite song.

B : Why don't we move to the south end of the station? We can expect a lot of performers on weekends. People dance, sing with guitars, and, sometimes you can see a group singing gospel songs.

A : I like the atmosphere of this place. Lots of people and people lively expressing themselves through music on the street. Is there any other place like this in Nagoya?

B : Well, you've got to Osu. And the southern part of Sakae is very popular among young people these days.

A : Sounds exciting!



Kanayama Station

# *Around Kanayama*

Kanayama Station is located in Kanayama-cho, Naka-ku, one of the busiest areas in Nagoya. The Meijo Line, JR Tokaido Line, JR Chuo Line, and Meitetsu Nagoya Line all meet at this station. A large number of people use this station every day. It is big, including shops, restaurants, and a post office. At the north end of the station, there is a bus terminal and a concert hall. At the south end of the station, you can see a tall, white building on your right, which contains both a luxurious hotel and a museum. The museum is called the Nagoya/Boston Museum of Fine Arts. It is the sister museum of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. The partnership between these two museums enables people in Japan not only to enjoy great masterpieces, but also to appreciate art from cultures and periods that until now has had little exposure in Japan. Street performers can be seen around this building or inside the station building.



Nagoya/Boston Museum of Fine Arts

## <General information about Nagoya/Boston Museum of Fine Arts>

Museum Hours: Weekday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sat, Sun and Public Holidays 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Closed on Mondays

A d m i s s i o n: Regular exhibition (which includes long-term exhibition admission)

General ¥1200

Senior citizens (over 65) & students ¥900

Children ¥0

# *Osu and the Southern Part of Sakae*

The southern part of Naka-ku is drawing the attention of young people these days. Osu is famous for its discount electronic stores. Osu has been developing since TOKUGAWA Ieyasu set up the Nagoya government in 1612. Osu-kannon is an old temple, which is a symbol of Osu. Every month on the 18th and 28th, an antique market is held there. You have to come very early in the morning if you want to make a lucky find. The mood of the old district attracts a lot of people to Osu. The Street Performers' Festival is held every October. Lots of performances stir up people's curiosity. There are many stores carrying used clothes, including vintage clothes. There are many shops and restaurants. You can enjoy both eating and shopping. At Osu, you can experience the old and the new at the same time.

The southern part of Sakae (Sakae-Minami) is becoming popular these days. Osu and Sakae-Minami are very close to each other. You can drop in at comfortable cafes and neat general stores as you take a walk through Sakae-Minami.



Osu-kannon

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public transportation 公共交通機関    masterpiece 傑作  
make a lucky find 掘り出し物を見つける

# EXERCISES

## 1 COMPREHENSION CHECK

文の内容に即して，以下の設問に英語で答えなさい。

- (1) What's the name of the museum in Kanayama?
- (2) What is the sister museum of that museum?
- (3) Where can you find street performers in Kanayama?
- (4) What is Osu famous for?
- (5) Does Osu have a long history?
- (6) When is the antique market held in Osu-kannon?
- (7) What is a good way to find good things at the antique market?

## 2 USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

文中の表現を参考にして，空欄に適語を入れなさい。

- (1) 奨学金のおかげで，彼は大学へ入ることができた。  
The scholarship (                      ) him (                      ) enter the collage.
- (2) その会社は石油を扱っている。  
That company (                      ) (                      ) oil.
- (3) 次のバスを待った方がいいでしょう。  
We (                      ) (                      ) (                      ) wait for the next bus.
- (4) 私の家族は，私を含めて，みんな早起きです。  
My family are all early risers, (                      ) me.
- (5) その出来事は彼の愛国心としての誇りをかきたてた。  
The incident (                      ) (                      ) his national pride.



Street in Osu