

Welcome! To the Hiroshima City Children's Library



Books Are Friends

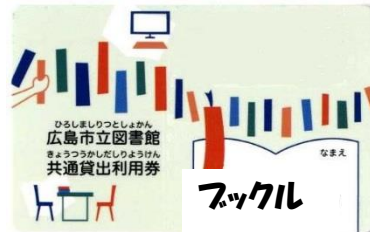
Opening Days	Tuesday to Sunday
Opening Hours	9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Closed Days	Monday (except holidays) The day following a holiday The last day of the odd months Year end and New Year holidays Special inventory periods <u>* See the Library Calendar for more details!</u>

Information for children



For those who are new to the library

- Get issued with a library card at the counter.
- You can use your library card at any Hiroshima City library.



You can borrow up to **ten books** from all branches for **two weeks**.

※ You can reserve or request up to a total of **20 books**.



How to look for a book

- You can look for a book on the library's computers or on the Internet at home.
- If the book has been lent out or you can't find it in the library, you can **reserve** it.
(Write the book's title down in a Reservation/Request Form and bring the form to the library staff. To **reserve** a book via your PC, you need a password registered.)



How to borrow a book

Bring books you want to borrow to the person at the counter, with your card.
And you can also use the automatic book lending machine near the counter.



How to return a book

Just return the books to the Return Counter!
When the library is closed, put the books into the "Book Return Box"!

Events

☆ Story Hours

Infants and elementary school students
Readings from picturebooks, plus storytelling

☆ Elementary School Student Story Club

Elementary school students

- Readings from story picturebooks, plus storytelling
- Talking about your favorite books
- Handicrafts

We have many other joyful events!

※ Please ask the person at the counter about anything you don't understand.



Information for adults

● Library cards:

Are valid for all Hiroshima City libraries.

For readers' groups and volunteers, there is a group borrowing system that allows up to 50 books to be borrowed for one month at a time.

● To find out whether a book you want to borrow is available:

Do a search via the user terminals inside the library, or via the website at:

<http://www.library.city.hiroshima.jp/>

● To reserve a book in the library's collection:

Write the title and other details of the book in a Reservation/Request Form and submit it to a staff member. You can also reserve books via fax, the City Library's website, or the user terminals inside the library. (To reserve books via your PC, you will need to register a password in advance.)

● Advice on books to read

We offer assistance on how to search for documents, and on using documents for investigation and research.

We will also answer your questions, and give advice, concerning children's activities for building ties between children and books, such as our Story Hours. Please feel free to make inquiries - by phone or fax if you wish.

● Copying Service

We offer a copying service, for copying of the library's documents only. The documents may be copied within the limits of the Copyright Law.

To get copies of documents, fill out a Copy Application Form and present it at the counter in the Looking-up Room on the second floor. The charge per sheet is 10 yen for black/white copies and 20 yen for color copies.

Events

Events of various kinds are held at the Children's Library.

(Some of the events are aimed at adults - please feel free to participate.)

☆ Mother's Knee Story Hour

Participants: Toddlers (age around 1 year upward) and parents
Listening to readings from picturebooks and playing hand-games, etc.

☆ Story Hour for Expectant Fathers and Mothers

Participants: Soon-to-be moms, and their partners or their families;
also under-1-year-olds and parents

★ Reading Club for adults who enjoy children's books

(reading club for enjoying picturebooks and children's literature)
Participants: People with an interest in children's books

☆ Children's Culture Lectures

Participants: People with an interest in children's books

☆ "I do like books!" Children's Culture Lectures

Participants: Children from about 4-year-old to high school students. (Lectures by and discussion sessions with authors of children's books)

☆ Lectures to foster volunteers for bringing children and books together

Participants: People who give readings of books in locals and/or schools, and people with an interest in doing so

For people who work at preschools, kindergartens and schools

● Library tours

We offer tours for whole grades or classes from your center, kindergarten or school. In this tour, we show over our library and explain how to use it. We can also arrange story readings and book talks for your students.

● Make use of our group lending service

We can provide readings, lessons on looking things up, and other assistance for groups.

For details, call (082) 221-6755.

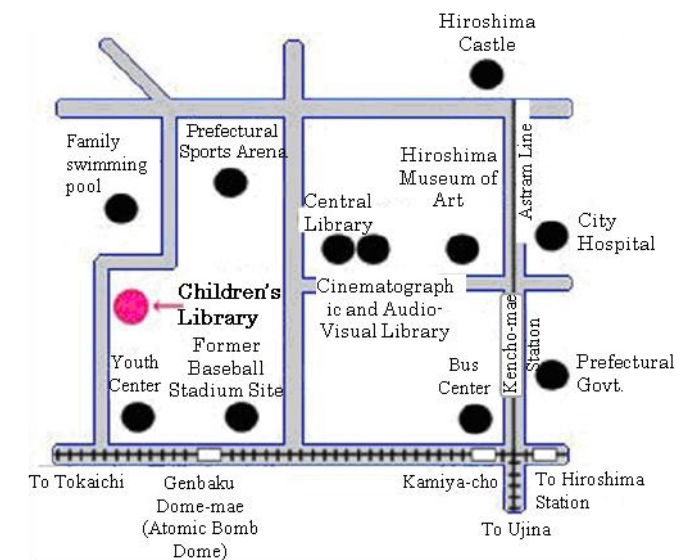


Hiroshima City Children's Library is a library specializing in

Children's books
Children's culture

It is available for both adults and children to use.

As the core library serving children among the network of 13 Hiroshima City libraries, we provide with various projects for bringing books and children together.



Incorporated foundation

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