



JŌDO-SHŪ Head Temple CHION-IN AUTUMN ILLUMINATION 2024

14th(Thu) NOV-1st(Sun) DEC

5:30PM – 9:30PM (Last admission 9 PM)

locations: Sanmon (National Treasure), Yūzen Garden, Onna-Zaka, Daishōrō.

Miei-dō Hall (National Treasure), Amida-dō Hall (Exterior view only)

Admission: Adult: 800 Yen, Children 400 Yen (Primary/ Middle school students)

※ Cash Only

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[Access]



南 Na
無 mu
阿 A
弥 mi
陀 da
仏 Butsu

The six searchlight beams stretch into the sky, symbolizing the six-character mantra "南無阿弥陀仏"

In 2020, a major repair that took about 9 years was completed!

Join us here for a talk with a monk and a Mokugyo (wooden fish drum) experience.

Miei-dō Hall (National Treasure)

Amida-dō Hall

The front of the hall features the official imperial inscription of Chion-in's full name! Wait, Isn't Chion-in the official name!?

You can get the limited edition Goshuin here!
Limited Edition Goshuin
Enkō-daishi
'圓光大師' Available!
300 yen per copy

*The limited edition Goshuin will be provided

Guide Map

Sanmon (National Treasure)

The Sanmon Gate, also known as the "Threefold Liberation Gate," is one of Japan's largest wooden gates!

Nembutsu Kechien Bashira

[Connection Pillar]

The five-colored ropes connect to Hōnen Shōnin at the Mieidō! Touch the Connection Pillar to make a spiritual connection with Hōnen Shōnin!

Noukotsu-dō

Daishōrō (Important Cultural Property)

[Great Bell Tower]

*Closes at 9:15 PM

One of Japan's largest bells. Einstein even visited to study its sound!

Hōbutsu-den

Taiheitei

Something interesting is displayed inside these buildings. Take a peek!

*Exhibition Dates
November 22nd, 23rd, 24th,
29th, 30th, December 1st

You can see Kyoto Tower from around here!
You might even see flying squirrels—if you do, you're in luck!

Otoko-zaka

Onna-zaka

Hakuju-an

Karoku-an

Yūzen-en Garden

A Kannon statue stands in the middle of the pond! There's also a bronze statue of Miyazaki Yūzensai, the founder of Yūzen dyeing, in the garden. Look hard since he's somewhat hidden.

entrance
exit reception

How to Use the "Mokugyo"

In Jodo Shu, the Mokugyo is a special wooden drum that sets the beat for chanting "Namu Amida Butsu." It's shaped like a fish, and there's a fun reason for this! Fish keep their eyes open even at night, so the fish shape reminds us to stay focused and practice our chants day and night.



During the Autumn Illumination light up period
Preaching is held every night at the Mieidō Hall (National Treasure)

Preaching times at Mieidō



[Event Times]

Note: The schedule may change depending on circumstances.

6:00 PM - 6:20 PM

6:45 PM - 7:05 PM

7:30 PM - 7:50 PM

8:15 PM - 8:35 PM

After the preaching, we will all chant "Namu Amida Butsu" together with the Mokugyo for 5-10 minutes.

*Sorry, preaching is in Japanese only.

All participants will receive a badge of "Nukesuzume," one of the Seven Wonders of Chion-in! (Available while supplies last)

