

2026 Kobe Turning Twenty Ceremony Information

Coming of Age Day is a Japanese holiday on the second Monday in January that celebrates the entry into adulthood for people who have recently turned 20 years old. Kobe City holds a ceremony every year to mark this occasion for all Kobe residents who turned 20 during the fiscal year. As the official age of adulthood in Japan was recently changed to 18 years of age, this ceremony is now called the “Turning Twenty Ceremony” (*Hatachi wo Iwau Kai*).

The invitation to attend the ceremony is extended to all Kobe residents, regardless of citizenship, who were born between April 2, 2005 and April 1, 2006. As this is a non-denominational, non-political ceremony, we look forward to welcoming all eligible residents who wish to participate.

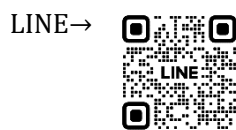
Please bear in mind that there may be changes to the program, or this event may be canceled or postponed. Please check the Kobe City website for the latest information.

1. **Date:** Monday, January 12, 2026
1:00 pm – 1:30 pm (Doors open from 12:00 pm)
2. **Location:** Noevir Stadium Kobe
1-2-2 Misaki-cho, Hyogo-ku, Kobe
Approximately a 5-minute walk from Misaki Koen Station (Kobe Subway Kaigan Line)

3. **Pre-Registration:**

Pre-registration is required to enter the venue.

We ask that you pre-register through the LINE app so that we can send you notifications about rules and other information for attending the event. Further information on registration will be sent to you in November via post.



If you are unable to register through the LINE app, you will need to fill out a form at the reception table.

4. **Program:** Messages from the Mayor and City Assembly Chair
Coming-of-Age Representative's Pledge
Etc.

5. Venue Information & Instructions:



- Please use public transportation to get to the venue.
- You cannot park on the streets near the venue.
- Please do not park in spaces intended for the customers of local businesses.
- If you will be meeting up with people, please do so in the lawn area.
- Smoking, drinking, and bringing in alcohol are not allowed both at and near the venue.
- Individuals who are drinking alcohol prior to entry not be admitted into the venue.
- Please do not come if you are feeling unwell and have symptoms such as a fever.

Inquiries:

Kobe City General Inquiry Center (8:00 – 21:00, 24/7/365)
Tel. 0570-083330 or 078-333-3330
(English support available 9:00 – 17:00)