


PROGRAM SCHEDULE sakpa (Summer) April 25 to October 31, 2026 Saturdays, Sundays and National Holidays


* Programs may be changed or canceled without prior notice. For details, please visit the official Upopoy National Ainu Museum and Park website.




uekari cise
Cultural Exchange Hall



Archery Space



ikar usi
Crafts Studio

teeta kane an kotan Kotan (Traditional Ainu Village)

Outdoor Areas
*Held in poro cise in case of inclement weather

sinot cise **poro cise**

an=ukokor aynu ikor oma kenru
National Ainu Museum

inoka nukar tumpu
Theater

9 am			9:00 am to 5:00 pm Workshop Mukkuri for Beginners (Musical instrument experience) <small>Some charges apply</small>	9:30 upaskuma (Life)		9:30 Ainu History and Culture (Short Film)
10 am	10:00 upopo newa rimse (Performing Arts) <small>No entry or exit during performances</small> <small>Seat tickets required</small>	10:00 am to 12:00 pm Workshop aksinot (Archery Experience) <small>Some charges apply</small>	9:30 Reservation required Workshop ikarkar=an ro (Craft Workshop) <small>Some charges apply</small>	10:30 upaskuma (Life)	10:00 Workshop upopo a=ki ro (Performing Arts Workshop)	10:30 Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention (Short Film)
11 am	11:00 upopo newa rimse (Performing Arts) <small>No entry or exit during performances</small> <small>Seat tickets required</small>		11:00 Reservation required Workshop inuye=an ro (Craft Workshop) <small>Charges apply</small>		11:00 Pon Theater (Life)	11:30 Everyday Ainu (Short Film)
12 pm	12:00 kamuy yukar (Short Film) <small>Seat tickets required</small>		12:30 Reservation required Workshop ikarkar=an ro (Craft Workshop) <small>Some charges apply</small>	12:30 upaskuma (Life)	12:00 Workshop upopo a=ki ro (Performing Arts Workshop)	12:30 Ainu History and Culture (Short Film)
1 pm	1:00 upopo newa rimse (Performing Arts) <small>No entry or exit during performances</small> <small>Seat tickets required</small>		2:00 Reservation required Workshop inuye=an ro (Craft Workshop) <small>Charges apply</small>	1:30 upaskuma (Life)	1:00 Workshop aynuitak ari a=ye ro (Ainu Language Workshop)	1:30 Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention (Short Film)
2 pm	2:00 kamuy yukar (Short Film) <small>Seat tickets required</small>	2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Workshop aksinot (Archery Experience) <small>Some charges apply</small>			2:00 Pon Theater (Life)	2:30 Everyday Ainu (Short Film)
3 pm	3:00 upopo newa rimse (Performing Arts) <small>No entry or exit during performances</small> <small>Seat tickets required</small>		3:30 Reservation required Workshop Tonkori for Beginners (Musical instrument experience)	3:30 upaskuma (Life)	3:00 Workshop pirka! BINGO a=ki ro (Ainu Language Workshop)	3:30 Ainu History and Culture (Short Film)
4 pm	4:00 upopo newa rimse (Performing Arts) <small>No entry or exit during performances</small> <small>Seat tickets required</small>			4:30 upaskuma (Life)		4:30 Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention (Short Film)
5 pm	5:00 kamuy yukar (Short Film)		At the <i>ikar usi</i> workshop, embroidery and woodcarving works are on display. • Hands-on exhibits and touchable materials available. 		Outside of program hours, each <i>cise</i> (traditional house) is open to visitors. • In the <i>sinot cise</i> , visitors can freely touch kimonos, picture books, and playhouse tools. 	
6 pm						

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uaynuakor kotan

National Ainu Museum and Park

ci=numke sirkause nukar usi
(Garden of Native Plants)

This garden boasts more than 100 species of trees and other plants with connections to Ainu culture. Even more examples of such plants can be found elsewhere throughout the park.

sinnurappa usi
(Memorial Site)

Perched on a hill with sweeping views of the Pacific Ocean, this site features facilities where the ancestral remains of the Ainu people are respectfully preserved and honored. A striking monument stands here as a powerful symbol of remembrance and reflection.



ikar usi
Crafts Studio

sinnurappa usi
(Memorial Site)

teeta kane an kotan
kotan (Traditional Ainu Village)

In the Ainu language, a kotan is a village or settlement. The kotan at Upopoy is home to five thatched cise (Ainu houses), including examples made using traditional techniques.

poroto
(large pond / lake)

uekari cise
Cultural Exchange Hall

simimtar
(Lawn Square)

sini usi
(Rest Area)

Multi-Purpose Hall

yayhanokkar cise
Workshop

Community Space

inekarip aste usi
(Parking)

kankan
(Path to the Ainu Spirit)

inkar mintar
(Lakeview Plaza) Entrance

uwerankarap mintar
(Gateway Square)

hoski an cise
(Entrance Center)

asurkor usi
(Information Desk)

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National Ainu Museum

sini usi
(Rest Area)

cikisani mintar
(cikisani Square)

kotan sermak
(Administration Office)

sinnurappa usi
(Memorial Site)

To Memorial Site (about 1,400m)

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National Ainu Museum

Entrance/exit gate

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- Information
- Shop
- Ticket Desk
- Lockers
- Facilities for Ostomates
- Vending Machine
- Café
- Parking
- Parking Payment Machine
- Bus Stop
- First-Aid Station
- AED
- Restroom
- Nursing Room
- Rest Area
- Food Court and Restaurants
- Prayer Room

Items available for free rental

- Wheelchairs
 - strollers
 - umbrellas
- Ask to a member of staff if you wish to rent these items.

Free Wi-Fi is available inside Upopoy Password: upopoy01

Archery Space

aksinot
(Archery Experience)

An archery experience with a simplified bow and arrow.

- Elementary school students and above (ages 6 and over) (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- 3 arrows per person
- You may be asked to wait during busy times



Approx. 10 min. Workshop

charges apply

- A hunting-inspired workshop using a real bow and arrow.
- Saturdays only
- Junior high school students and above (ages 13 and over)
- 6 arrows per person
- Fee: 500 yen
- You may be asked to wait during busy times



uekari cise Cultural Exchange Hall

upopo newa rimse
(Performing Arts)

Performances of songs and dances passed down in various regions. * Program content varies by time of day.

- Seat ticket required (available in front of Cultural Exchange Hall)
- Designated seating only
- No entry or exit during performances. Eating, drinking, photography, filming and audio recording are not permitted during performances.

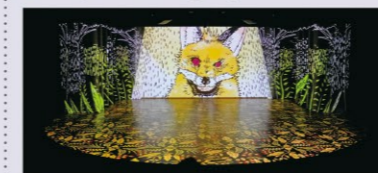


Approx. 20 min. Capacity: 303 Seat tickets required

kamuy yukar
(Short Film)

Two animated short films based on Ainu legends: The Boy Who Brought Down a Kamuy and The Solar Deity Caught by Evil Fox.

- Seat ticket required (available in front of Cultural Exchange Hall)
- Designated seating only



Park wide 60 to 90 min.

An Ainu Toolbox for Life
(Puzzle Game)(In Japanese only)

- Purchase kits at the Entrance Center
- On sale from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Fee: 500 yen
- Mobile device required
- For ages 10 and over

Scan the QR code for details.(In Japanese only)



an=ukokor aynu ikor oma kenru National Ainu Museum

ikor tumpu

Permanent Exhibition and Special Exhibitions (Exhibits)

The permanent exhibition introduces the Ainu language, history and culture from the perspectives of the Ainu. In addition, special and thematic exhibitions are organized several times throughout the year.

- No eating, drinking, filming, or long umbrellas. Only pencils are allowed for notes.



Approx. 60 min.

inoka nukar tumpu

A clear, easy-to-follow introduction to Ainu history and culture through large-screen films. In addition to Ainu History and Culture and Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention, the production Everyday Ainu has also been screened since 2025.

- No eating, drinking, filming. Only pencils are allowed for notes.



teeta kane an kotan Kotan (Traditional Ainu Village)

Outdoor Areas

upaskuma (Life)

Learn about life in a kotan and experience traditional songs and dances. Each session features a different theme, including houses, boats, hunting equipment, and place names.

- Held in poro cise in case of inclement weather



Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 100

poro cise

Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 75

newsar=an ro (Life)

Experience Ainu oral literature through tales and lyrical songs passed down through the generations.

- No entry or exit during performances. Photography, filming and audio recording are not permitted during performances.



ikar usi Crafts Studio

Some charges apply

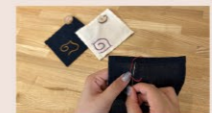
Approx. 60 min. Capacity: 20

ikarkar=an ro (Craft Workshop)

Workshop Reservations required

Try embroidering an Ainu pattern.

- Choose from three types of items
- Reservation required (at least 5 mins. before start time)
- Ages 9 and over (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- Fee: 1,000 yen (bag or wooden frame), free (coaster)



charges apply

Approx. 60 min. Capacity: 10

inuye=an ro (Craft Workshop)

Workshop Reservations required

Try carving an Ainu pattern.

- Choose from two types of items
- Reservation required (at least 5 mins. before start time)
- Ages 9 and over (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- Fee: 1,000 yen (coaster), 1,500 yen (smartphone stand)



sinot cise

Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 30

upopo a=ki ro
(Performing Arts Workshop)

Try singing upopo, traditional Ainu songs unique to each region.

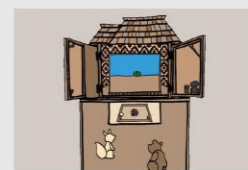


sinot cise

Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 30

Pon Theater
(Life)

Discover the relationship between the Ainu and the kamuy (spirit-deities) and learn about Ainu lives past and present through a paper theater show.



sinot cise

Approx. 30 min. Capacity: 25

pirka! BINGO a=ki ro
(Ainu Language Workshop)

Play a bingo game using Ainu words for animals and traditional items.



sinot cise

Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 30

aynuinak ari a=ye ro
(Ainu Language Workshop)

Learn everyday words in Ainu.



Tonkori for Beginners
(Musical instrument experience)

Workshop Reservations required

Try playing a stringed instrument.

- Tonkori (stringed instrument) experience, where participants learn how to hold the instrument and produce sound.
- Reservation required (at least 10 mins. before start time)
- Elementary school students and above (ages 6 and over) (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)



Mukkuri for Beginners
(Musical instrument experience)

Workshop Reservations required

Try playing a mouth harp.

- Mukkuri (mouth harp) experience, practicing everything from holding the instrument to changing the sound.
- Elementary school students and above (ages 6 and over) (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- Mukkuri is available for purchase until 4:30 PM.
- You may be asked to wait during busy times
- Fee: 1,000 yen (free for people who bring their own mukkuri)

