

Shonan Teien Festival 2008

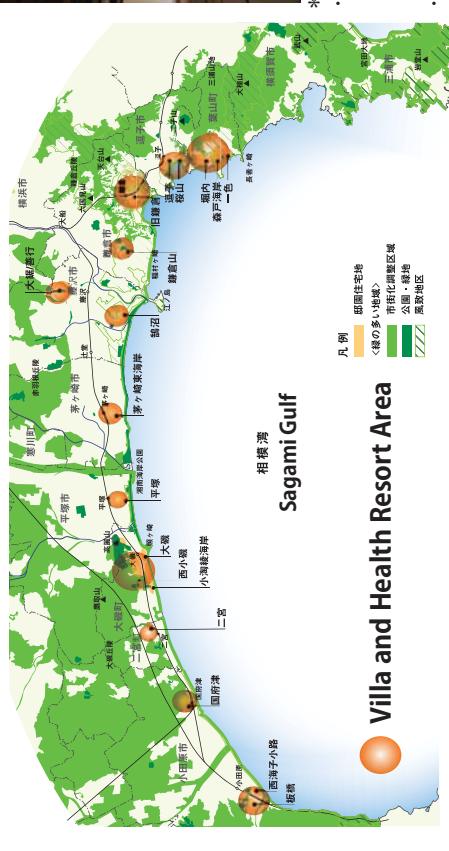
Shonan Teien Festival Execution Committee

History of "Shonan Teien Cultural Zone"



Shonan Area, the southern part of Kanagawa Pref, were characterized as villa and health resort area for political, financial or cultural leaders in Japan who work in Tokyo since Meiji Period. That is very similar to the relation between London and Brighton, UK.

After "Iwakura Mission" visited Brighton in Meiji period, they built their own villa in Shonan Area. That acted as a trigger. There are about 350 western style house and 1,300 modern Japanese style house* alive.



*reference
"The list of Living Modern Western Style Architecture in Kanagawa Pref." Report of Kanagawa Pref. no.4/1984.3 Education Commission of Kanagawa Pref.

"The Report of Living Modern Japanese Style Architecture in Kanagawa Pref." /2000.3 Education Commission of Kanagawa Pref.



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The design of architecture, interior and garden of such villa are stylish and sophisticated. Besides, they are surrounded by Sagami Gulf and alignment of the mountains; they are still shining. Japanese cultural leaders have created a lot of lasting masterpieces there.

However, they have been demolished because of difficulties of maintenance. That will vanish identity of landscape in Shonan Area.

We are longing to conserve those Shonan "Teien" heritage, use them as forums for visitors, local residents, artists and creators, create new Shonan culture and characterize the area as "Shonan Teien Cultural Zone".

As a first step, we have been organizing "Shonan Teien Festival" in order to appeal our distinctive and proud culture.

Actual Achievement

number of...	sites	events	participant	promoting teams	dedicated local government
2006	6 cities	32	8,772	11	1
2007	8 cities	32	11,662	14	5
2008	9 cities	32	(~)	18	6

Period: Sun/Sep/7th - Sun/Dec/7th
Event Program: please check attached guidebook
Kick Off Event: Sun/Sep/7th 18:30

We will make a brief presentation about "Shonan Teien Cultural Zone Regeneration Plan", a policy and Shonan Teien Festival on Kick off Event.

For additional information about Shonan Teien Festival, please visit our website at

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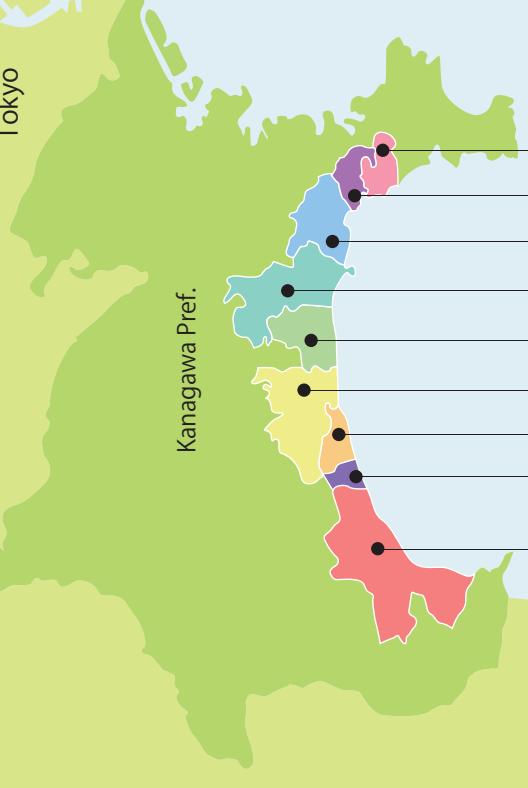


figure 1. Brighton, UK and Shonan Area (same scale)

figure 2. Distribution of villa and health resort area

figure 3. Sites of Shonan Teien Festival 2008

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