

VIETNAM FESTIVAL 2009

Japan's biggest Vietnam event at Yoyogi Park

The Xin Chào! Vietnam Festival 2009 Executive Committee, which is chaired by House of Councillors member Iwao Matsuda with Vietnamese Ambassador to Japan Nguyen Phu Binh serving as top adviser, will hold Xin Chào! Vietnam Festival 2009 in the Event Area at Tokyo's Yoyogi Park on Sept. 19-20 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Xin Chào! Vietnam Festival 2009 is Japan's biggest Vietnamese event, where people who love Vietnam and Vietnamese residents of Japan gather to have a good time. The lively venue is crowded with about 60 booths offering Vietnamese food—which has been gaining in popularity the world over—as well as Vietnamese handicrafts. Other booths are set up by sellers of Vietnamese products and Vietnamese companies, among others.

In addition, Hien Thuc, Minh Thu, DJ Samurai and other artists will visit Japan to perform at the festival, and there will be a fashion show of traditional Vietnamese ao dai dresses. Artists from Japan, including Sunplaza Nakano, Ujigami Ichiban, Gypsy Queen, Milky Way, and the Oguri Kumiko Trio, will also take the stage, as well as Hai Trieu, a Vietnamese musician in Japan who recently resumed his artistic activities. And in celebration of the Japan-Mekong Exchange Year, the Japanese-Thai duo Sweet Vacation will be performing.

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More than 150,000 people visit Vietnam Festival 2008, one of Japan's largest cross-cultural events between Japan and Vietnam.

