

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd.

# 2023 Music TA-Q-BIN Kuroneko Family Concert to be Held in Five Cities Across Japan

Simulcast to also be available via live video streaming



Yamato Holdings Co., Ltd. (Head Office: Chuo-ku, Tokyo; Representative Director and President: Yutaka Nagao), announces that it will hold the Music TA-Q-BIN Kuroneko Family Concert series of performances in five cities across Japan starting July 17, 2023. Of these, the August 22 performance in Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture, will be streamed live via video throughout Japan.

To celebrate the event, a special website for the 2023 Music TA-Q-BIN Kuroneko Family Concert was launched today, including a portal to apply to attend these concerts.

Music TA-Q-BIN Kuroneko Family Concert special website (Japanese only)

URL:https://www.yamato-hd.co.jp/csr/society/education/concert.html



## 1. Background and Objectives

As part of its sustainable management practices, the Yamato Group uses its core businesses to engage in social contribution activities and businesses that solve social issues.

The Music TA-Q-BIN Kuroneko Family Concert was created in 1986 as a social contribution activity by the late Masao Ogura, then President of Kuroneko, who wished to deliver genuine, good music to everyone, regardless of age or region. These concerts have been held each year since their inception; 2023 marks their 38th year, with a total of 351 performances to date. In 2022, with the theme of "marching," audience members were invited to join in the performance through rhythmic clapping. These concerts aim to provide a concert where everyone, from young children to adults, can enjoy

authentic classical music. In 2023, concerts will be held in five cities. Of these, the August 22 performance in Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture, will be streamed live via video. An archive of the livestream will be available on the Yamato Group's official YouTube channel after September.

#### 2. Event Overview

#### (1) Location and date

Venue	Schedule	Orchestra
Minamisōma Citizens' Cultural Center (Yume Hat) (2-28-1 Motomachi, Haramachi-ku, Minamisoma City, Fukushima Prefecture)	July 17 Concert: 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Yamagata Symphony Orchestra
Honjo Civic Cultural Hall (1422-3 Kitabori, Honjo City, Saitama Prefecture)	August 6 Concert: 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.	Tokyo Symphony Orchestra
Phoenix Plaza (1-13-6 Tawara, Fukui City, Fukui Prefecture)	August 8 Concert: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Osaka Philharmonic Orchestra
Rexxam Hall (Kagawa Kenmin Hall) (9-10 Tamamocho, Takamatsu City, Kagawa Prefecture)	August 16 Concert: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Japan Century Symphony Orchestra
Fukuoka Sunpalace Hotel&Hall (2-1 Chikkohonmachi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture)	August 22 Concert: 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	Kyushu Symphony Orchestra

# (2) Performers

Moderators: Satoshi Asaoka (Minamisoma, Fukui, Fukuoka), Shinobu Matsumoto (Honjo), Rie

Iwasaki (Takamatsu)

Conductor: Norichika limori

Guest performers: Akiko Miwa (dancer/choreographer), Ai Ichihara (soprano, Fukuoka performance)

#### (3) Theme

The announcement will be made on June 30 on the special website for this concert series.

# (4) Watching the livestream

Video of the August 22 performance in Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture, will be livestreamed on the Yamato Group's official YouTube channel. (No viewing free or pre-registration required)
URL:https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSayTHeqUt6typ\_HEcrBQFA

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General inquiries:

2023 Music TA-Q-BIN Kuroneko Family Concert Management Office

• Minamisoma performance: Kuroneko Family Concert Section, TUF

TEL: +81-24-531-8815 \*Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)

Honjo performance: Kuroneko Family Concert Section, Television Saitama
 TEL: +81-3-3571-2538 \*Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)

• Fukui performance: Kuroneko Family Concert Section, FBC
TEL: +81-776-57-5489 \*Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)

• Takamatsu performance: Kuroneko Family Concert Section, Radio Nishinippon Broadcasting Company (RNC)

TEL: +81-87-826-7130 \*Hours: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays)

Fukuoka performance: Kuroneko Family Concert Section, RKB Muse
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