A place for people of all ages to have fun and satisfy their curiosity

What's behind the part that is hidden?

♦ Wonder Wheel

This giant Ferris wheel reaches 50 meters into the sky. Passengers will enjoy a presentation on the past and future of people, cars and the Earth.

Everyone loves trains!

♦ Wonder Circus-Electric Power Pavilion

This large-scale ride will take passengers on a spectacular trip through the world of people, dreams and the Earth.





Have fun making new discoveries!

Do you enjoy receiving information and knowledge in a one-way manner? People tend to quickly forget things they were forced to learn, whereas fun memories remain. We hope that visitors will thoroughly enjoy themselves in both the cutting-edge pavilions and the beauty of the forest. There is plenty of nature waiting to be discovered.

Parents and children alike will have fun on the island of Gon, the Stone Age Boy

♦ Wanpaku Treasure Island

In the age of Gon, the Stone Age Boy, food was a gift from nature. Visitors can experience a fun program based on this theme. There is also a program on fun and sports.



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Cosmos

Will we soon go to Mars?

From the Expo: A dreamlike and romantic journey through the universe

When humanity set out into space in the 20th century, people marveled at how blue and beautiful the Earth looked from space. Future challenges await in the 21st century, as humankind seeks out the answers to the mysteries of the universe.

Each visitor is a member of the cast! A totally new experiment

♦ MITSUI-TOSHIBA Pavilion

Each visitor's face is scanned and immediately converted to computer graphics. Each visitor will be a performer in the story of a grand space adventure.



Be inspired and refreshed by the mysteries of the forest!

◆ Growing Village

Have a new experience with nature by climbing trees and examining the mysteries of how they grow. This is a place for learning and fun, a place for fostering a new love for nature.



♦ Gas Pavilion

Visitors will enjoy thrilling live performances, including magic shows that use real flames.

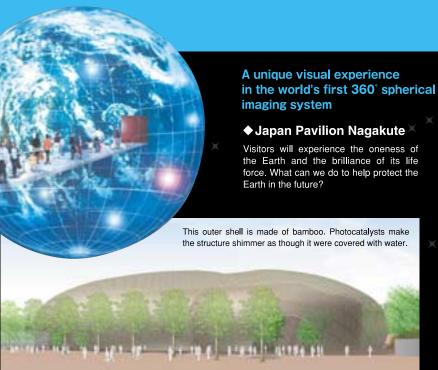




Four attractions under a dome in the shape of Mt. Fuji

◆ Mountain of Dreams

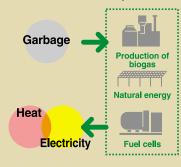
This is the home of an experiential image space created by world-renowned animation director Mamoru Oshii, along with three other spectacular and exciting attractions.



ECO Y VIEW

New Energy System

The Expo aims to introduce new technology in order to realize a recycling-oriented society, such as natural energy, new energy and re-cycling technology. It is important to use the Earth's finite resources efficiently and to reuse them to aim for a system that allows a resource cycle. All of the electricity used by Japan Pavilion Nagakute will be created this way.



:: Performance

No Ordinary Concert, **No Ordinary Scale**

♦ Love The Earth

In this music entertainment program, world-class musicians who treasure the Earth will express the message of "Love the Earth" through the universal medium of music. The live concerts will offer rare opportunities to see some of these musicians onstage together. Of course, Japanese musicians will be included among the featured artists. You can look forward to who will be representing Japan.



Yo-Yo Ma

Began cello at the age of four and ranked among the greatest masters by his teens. Performs internationally.

Photo by Steven Danelian (Sony Classical)



Sarah Brightman

Soprano vocalist. Continues to enchant the world with her singing, celebrated as "the most beautiful voice in the world."

Presenting the Theme Song for Love the Earth!



This guitar god has written the theme song,titled "Say What You Will." While there are no plans for a live performance, the song will be included in the Love the Earth compilation CD, which is eagerly awaited.



A Romantic Night Event to **Unfold on a Giant Water Screen**

♦In The Evening at Koi Pond



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A Parade of Love by **Fairies of the Forest**



♦The Forest Fairy's Ball Produced by Tatuya Ishii

Tatuya Ishii

Debuted in 1985 as lead vocalist for the pop group Kome Kome Club. Began performing solo after the group's breakup and has been demonstrating his talents outside the sphere of music, including as a film director.

What Will This World-Class Creator Reveal?

◆ Show and Walk by Laurie Anderson (tentative title)

Laurie Anderson's creation will consist of three parts: "Show," featuring video art; "Walk," in which visitors will walk through a series of installations; and "Live," performed by Anderson herself. Her visual and lyrical fusion of nature and technology will culminate in a sensational body of experiential art.

Laurie Anderson

Art creator Laurie Anderson has established her own genre and media-mix combining synthesizer music, video, slides, advanced technology, and provocative commentary.

The show, which will be held daily in the Center Zone during EXPO 2005, will fantastically and spectacularly portray the themes of earth, life, civilization, and the future using water and light. The protagonist, Snow Monkey (a Japanese macaque), will take the spectators, on a delightful journey through time and space.



Robert Wilson

A world leader in the arts and culture internationally acclaimed by viewers and critics alike in a broad range of artistic fields, from theatrical to visual art.

Portrait of Robert Wilson / Robert Wilson Photo by Tilde De Tullio

Sprites begin a ball with the spectators, when suddenly a devil appears to threaten the peace on Earth. The sprites join hands with the children in the audience to drive away the devil and save the life of a little flower. The spectacle teaches us that great love on a global scale has the power to solve current problems.

(Left to right) Kino:a mushroom sprite. Loves to tease grown-ups. Shikarun:an animal sprite. Has a penchant for argument. Mayor Salute:a tree sprite whose pet phrase is "Cheers!"

Yoku:the sprite of an ancient tree. Looks after the sprites and pulls them together.

Noral and Moral:bulb sprites. Are good friends but always get into fights with each other



Grand Song of Love Will Touch All Hearts

"I'll Be Your Love," the official theme song for EXPO 2005, is a touchingly beautiful ballad written by YOSHIKI, former leader of the rock band X JAPAN, and sung by Dahlia. Set to a soothing melody, it will deliver the message of the importance of the Earth and of love for nature to people around the world.



DAHLIA

Jazz Musician Sadao Watanabe Stands Up for the Future of Humanity, Nature, and the Earth

Legendary jazz musician Sadao Watanabe comes forward to help people, nature, and the future of the Earth. Sadao Watanabe, general producer of the Japan Pavilions, will bring together children from the five continents of the world and promote exchanges between them through performances of the song, "Share the World." The song is composed of only five notes—mi, la, re, do, ti—which are taken from the word "Earth".



Composed of just five tones, "Share the World" expresses the hope of Japan as the host nation.

Sadao Watanabe

Top jazz musician and the pride of Japan. In addition to concert tours in Japan and around the world, energetically conducts charity concerts and other philanthropic activities.

Renowned Singer to Demonstrate Japan's Musical Spirit

During the Osaka Expo, the late Haruo Mikami's song "Sekai no Kuni kara Konnichiwa (Hello from Around the World)" was heard across Japan. For EXPO 2005 AICHI, JAPAN, top enka singer Kiyoshi Hikawa will perform a lively and cheerful Japanese theme song that people young and old the world over can sing.



Kiyoshi Hikawa

Born in Fukuoka Prefecture.
Debuted in 2000 as the
commemorative artist for Japan
Columbia's 90th anniversary.
Has been venturing into acting
and other fields and enjoys
tremendous popularity across
generations with his excellent
singing skills and breezy
character.