

# Japanese Film Festival 2024



*English  
Subtitle*

## Pokhara

March 9-10, 2024

Pokhara Chamber of Commerce & Industries, Gaira Patan



**FREE ENTRY**  
on first-come-first-served basis

## Kathmandu

March 15-16, 2024 Rastriya Nachghar, Jamal

March 20-21, 2024 Japanese Embassy Hall



## Japan Day

March 16, 2024

(10:30 am - 4:00 pm)

Rastriya Nachghar, Jamal

### Cultural Events

Kimono/Yukata/Happi coat,  
Calligraphy, Origami  
and much more

*For Yukata/Happi coat reservation*



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## Pokhara

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Mar 9, 2024 (Sat)

- ▶ 11:30 a.m. Office Royale / 地獄の花園 (102 min.)  
Naoko wants nothing more than to enjoy her life as an OL, or office lady. The badass and charming Ran gets newly hired, which results in Naoko's company becoming the target of OLs nationwide.
- ▶ 13:30 p.m. Children of the Sea / 海獣の子供 (111 min.)  
When Ruka was younger, she saw a ghost in the water at the aquarium where her dad works. Now she feels drawn toward the aquarium and the two mysterious boys she meets there, Umi and Sora. As the three children's relationship grows, strange phenomenon are frequently occurring above the Earth.
- ▶ 15:30 p.m. It's a Summer Film / サマーフィルムにのって (97 min.)  
Barefoot is a high-school girl who adores samurai movies and Japanese costume drama. But she doesn't stand a chance of making a samurai movie at school, as all the film club members prefer romantic dramas. One day Barefoot meets Rintaro, who is an ideal actor for the lead samurai role in a movie she wrote.

Mar 10, 2024 (Sun)

- ▶ 12:00 p.m. Almost a Miracle / 町田くんの世界 (120 min.)  
Machida has no distinguishing features. His only talent is his ability to love everyone, unconditionally. However, as he gets to know his classmate Inohara, who says she hates people, he is forced to confront an emotion growing within himself that he has never felt before...
- ▶ 14:15 p.m. Only the Cat Knows / お父さん、チビがいなくなりました (104 min.)  
Masaru just retired and he and his wife Yukiko are expecting to have a quiet life with their cat, CHIBI, after their kids have left home. Yukiko feels that she was abandoned by her husband, who has never expressed appreciation for her years of support, let alone his love for her. One day, their loving cat CHIBI disappears.

The above films will be screened at the  
Japanese Embassy hall as well on March 20-21.  
For more detail, visit Embassy's Facebook.

## Kathmandu

Rastriya Nachghar, Jamal, Kathmandu

Mar 15, 2024 (Fri)

- ▶ 13:00 p.m. Key of Life / 鍵泥棒のメソッド (128 min.)  
Sakurai is a struggling actor, and Kondo is a hit-man with amnesia. Sakurai, who became a hit-man on a whim, finds himself taking on dangerous jobs. Kondo, caught up in pretending to be Sakurai for a play, is being wooed by Kanae.
- ▶ 15:15 p.m. Time Scoop Hunter: The Movie / 劇場版タイムスクープハンター (102 min.)  
The Time Scoop company sends its reporters back through time to every period imaginable, where they document people's lives on video for future storage and collection. Time and space-defying journalist Sawajima is ordered to travel to Kyoto during the Warring States period.

Mar 16, 2024 (Sat)

- ▶ 11:30 a.m. Shiori / 栞 (118 min.)  
Masaya, who lost his mother when he was a child, is a no-nonsense physical therapist. His father collapses to a brain tumor and is admitted to the hospital where Masaya works. The sight of him growing weaker by the day distresses Masaya. Based on a true story, the hardships of a young man specializing in physical therapy is painstakingly depicted with a natural touch. The director himself was a physical therapist.
- ▶ 13:40 p.m. Neko Ninja / 猫忍 (95 min.)  
Kagerota, a rogue ninja, is a wanted man as his clansman believes that he knows whereabouts of the scrolls which tells the mythical skills of warriors changing appearances to win battles. Meanwhile, the Kiryu Clan, who is anxious to bring the scroll back, dispatches two female ninjas, Momiji and Tsubame, to nab Kagerota.
- ▶ 15:20 p.m. Kamome Diner / かもめ食堂 (102 min.)  
Sachie from Japan, opens the "Kamome Diner" in Helsinki. The specialty menu is Onigiri rice ball. However, day after day the only customer is a geeky Japan enthusiast, Tommi. One day, two Japanese ladies, each with some personal issues, come to help at Sachie's diner. The number of customers gradually increases, but the diner seems to attract only those with problems.

