

Official Mascot Announced for the 5th Asian Para Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026!



The Official Mascot for the 5th Asian Para Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026 was officially announced on Tuesday, September 17, 2024.

Profile

This mascot is a combination of two concepts: "water," which supports Aichi prefecture, a leading manufacturing region in Japan, and "shachihoko," a guardian god of Nagoya City. The attractive features of this mascot, "Uzumin," are large, cute eyes and a head that resembles the tail of shachihoko. Through its eyes, Uzumin is always watching over the performances of para-athletes across Asia. Having the mysterious power of the guardian god in its head, Uzumin can deliver cheers from children all over Asia to the para-athletes.

The official mascot, "Uzumin," made its debut at an event.

On Saturday, October 12, 2024, the official mascot made its debut at the two-year countdown ceremony to Aichi-Nagoya 2026 held at AEON Mall Atsuta, where it was introduced as "Uzumin." The name "Uzumin" consists of two words: "Uzu" (whirlpool) and "Izumi" (spring). By extending the concept of "water," we selected these two words. This name represents our hope that the passion of para-athletes will be gathered at Aichi-Nagoya 2026 like a "whirlpool," and people's heartfelt emotions born there will rise up like a "spring" and spread all over Asia.



Events Held to Commemorate the Two-year Countdown to Aichi-Nagoya 2026!

From Saturday, September 21, to Saturday, November 2, 2024, two-year countdown events to 5th Asian Para Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026 were held at four locations in Aichi



Talk by Mari Amimoto, member of the Athletes' Committee and Kayoko Okubo, a special guest.



Para Judo demonstration by Makoto Hirose, member of the Athletes' Committee

Officially Licensed Merchandise Released

"Uzumin" officially licensed merchandise has been released.

Sales locations:

- Nagoya Castle (Kinshachi Yokocho Yoshinao Zone) Kinshachi souvenir shop "SHACHI JOJO"
- Chubu Electric Power MIRAI TOWER (formerly Nagoya TV Tower) Iron tower product sales shop "Tachu"



Check the official social media for information on the Games!

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Aichi-Nagoya 2026

Call for Volunteers for Aichi-Nagoya 2026!

The volunteer application period for Aichi-Nagoya 2026 has been extended!

The deadline of the volunteer application period for Aichi-Nagoya 2026 had formerly been Friday, January 31, 2025; however, we were requested to extend the application period to take into account students who will be enrolling at university or technical school, those who will graduate, and those who will start working from April. We have extended the application period to Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

Number of volunteers	Around 40,000
Requirements for volunteers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-At least 18 years old as of April 1, 2026-Must be able to communicate in Japanese (basic conversation and literacy skills required)-Must participate in volunteer explanation events and training programs-There is no nationality preference, but volunteers must observe Japanese Law. Foreign nationals must hold a residence status.-Must agree to the requirements and participation terms for volunteers
Application period	Monday, October 21, 2024 to Wednesday, April 30, 2025
Application method	Please enter the required information in the online application form on the dedicated website for volunteer applications, and submit the form. We accept personal applications as well as group applications.
Volunteer jobs	1. Support for competition management; 2. Support for audience entry management; 3. Support for event management; 4. Transport support; 5. Support for reception staff; 6. Language support; 7. Support for competition venue operation; 8. Support for athletes; 9. Support for lounge services; 10. Technological support; 11. Medical support; 12. Support for preparation for the event; 13. Sightseeing and transportation support for visitors; 14. Guidance support for audience

For further information, please refer to the following dedicated website for volunteer

=><https://www.volunteer-aichi-nagoya2026.com/>



【Aichi-Nagoya 2026 volunteer call center】

Telephone	050-1808-0542
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Operating hours	From 9:00 am to 5:30 pm on weekdays *Closed on Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, and the year end and new year holidays