

# Business Events 『Be+』 Unique Service Menu

Category	Mix	Understanding Japan using the Japanese hand drum - Hand drum experience workshop
Field	Japanese Culture	

The "otsuzumi" or knee drum is used in traditional Japanese performing arts such as noh and kabuki. The knee drum sound is meant to achieve harmony between nature and human beings, and is used in a variety of prayers. Through this program, participants can come in contact with the knee drum, learning everything from posture to performance. The program is designed to enable participants to use their sense of touch to experience traditional Japanese culture.

**Price (JPY)** 300,000      **Language** Japanese      **Venue** Tokyo area

**Capacity** 25      **Program duration** 90 min.

\*Reservation required

The "otsuzumi," or knee drum is made of CHERRY, HORSE, hemp and silk. The knee drum is used in traditional Japanese performing arts. According to legends, the knee drum was found thousands of years ago in wall drawings in western China, and was played by leaders or priests to pray for peace. Through this program, participants can learn the history and culture of the knee drum, actually play one, and enjoy a complete experience from posture to performance. At the end, all participants can take part in a performance.



## 【Notes】

- ※Payment required in advance.
- ※Ladies are asked to wear slacks.
- ※Participants will be seated during the program.
- ※Price includes cost of instruments.
- ※We will provide the instruments.
- ※Please choose venue that permits use of percussion instruments.
- ※Interpreting required (we can provide; additional costs will be incurred)
- ※Venue fees charged separately.

## 【Schedule (sample)】

- [1]History and background of knee drum
- [2]Instructor demonstration of assembly of knee drum and performance
- [3]Proper way to play knee drum, posture, breathing method
- [4]Performance by all participants