**Kinosaki International Arts Center**

The Kinosaki International Arts Center opened in Kinosaki Onsen in 2014 with a focus on performing arts and currently runs the only residency of its kind for performing artists in Japan. The center’s Artists-in-Residence program hosts artists selected from Japan and around the world.

Through a screening process about 20 artist programs are chosen for stays of up to three months a year without charge for accommodation or use of facilities. The Center has a large main hall, six studios, and seven residences, and all the facilities are kept open 24 hours a day for artists to use during their stay. The program provides opportunities for artists to share their expertise with local residents and tourists by holding performances or hosting workshops at the Center. This initiative is a way for the town to continue its tradition of hosting leading artists who can enjoy the facilities around Kinosaki Onsen while pursuing their work.