

Tab 4

#### Restoration in the Heisei and Reiwa eras

During the Heisei era (1989–2019), many of Japan’s cultural properties were damaged by powerful earthquakes. The structural integrity of the Old Public Hall was found to be inadequate, and a seismic reinforcement project was implemented over a period of two and a half years beginning in 2018 (Last restorations (2018-2021)). The project will ensure that this Hakodate icon continues to stand for many years to come.