

### **Showa Roman-gura: Sanchome Museum**

The Sanchome Museum is located in one of the three warehouses of the Showa Roman-gura and features a replica of a street during the Showa era (1926–1989). The street includes a typical family home, an elementary school classroom, and arcade games and entertainment facilities that were popular from the mid-1950s to the mid-1970s.

Realistic sound effects recreate a sense of what it was like to walk down the town's streets in the 1950s. Visitors can also enter a traditional Japanese family home, which includes a kitchen and a living room furnished with everyday items from that era. The elementary school classroom offers a sense of what life was like for children in those days.

Visitors to the museum can also try their hand at retro games including vintage *pachinko* machines (mechanical games similar to pinball) and shooting games. The atmosphere of days gone by continues with prizes for these games, which are *dagashi* (inexpensive toys and snacks) similar to ones popular decades ago. This photogenic space is a great place to snap a few nostalgia-tinged photos to remember the experience. Souvenirs such as local Oita products and *dagashi* are also available for sale.