

Welcome to the Takayama Museum of History and Art

This museum was founded to preserve and promote the art, history, culture, and crafts of Takayama City and the larger Hida region. The museum's exhibits cover topics such as Takayama's traditional woodcrafts and the Takayama Festival. There are also detailed exhibits that introduce the town's creation and growth during the Edo period (1603–1867) and the history of the Kanamori family, who governed Takayama from 1585 to 1692. The museum's collection includes armor worn by the Kanamori lords and samples of their personal writings.

Most of the exhibits are displayed in restored storehouses once owned by the Nagata and Yajima merchant families. The museum first opened in 1953, when the Nagata family's storehouses and estate were donated to Takayama. In 2009, the museum was expanded and renovated to include the former Yajima family estate next door. The ten storehouses located on the grounds were all built during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.