



RISING JAPAN
MusicFest in LA

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About RJM

RJM is an outdoor music festival celebrating Japanese music in Los Angeles area, California. It is a live music concert event that showcases artists dedicated to Japanese music who live in the United States and Japan. The mission for this event is to promote the enjoyment of Japanese music, culture, and food.

2023 Rising Japan MusicFest

Dates and Time:

7/22 (SAT) 12pm~10pm

7/23 (SUN) 12pm~8pm

Where: Marina Green Park 400 E Shoreline Drive
Long Beach, CA 90802

- **Ticket Tiers & Differences:** VIP and general ticket tiers will be offered. A one-day VIP ticket includes preferred parking, one t-shirt, one sake, one Pocari Sweat bottle and one food ticket. General ticket price does not include food, drinks or parking. Save \$10 dollars on a one-day pass by purchasing online before July 15. Save \$20 dollars by purchasing a two-day pass.

Official: [Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Lineup](#) | [Access and Contact](#)

Artists



Def Tech

The group consists of Shen, who grew up in Hawaii, and Micro, who is from Tokyo, Japan. Their first album, "Def Tech," which included the song "My Way," was released in 2005 and sold over 2.8 million copies, setting an indie sales record. In 2020, they celebrated the 20th anniversary of their formation and the 15th anniversary of their debut. Their latest single "Save Me Tonight" was released in 2022.

Instagram: [@deftech](https://www.instagram.com/deftech)



3 Shanice

Shanice Lorraine Wilson is an American singer-songwriter, actress and dancer. Shanice is best known for her hit single "[Love Your Smile](#)" (1991). Shanice is recognized for her coloratura soprano voice and her ability to sing in the whistle register.

Instagram: [@shaniceonline](https://www.instagram.com/shaniceonline)

YouTube: [Shanice](https://www.youtube.com/Shanice)

Spotify: [Shanice](https://open.spotify.com/artist/Shanice)

Artists



Iakopo

Global Billboard Artist & Cultural Influencer IAKOPO Delivers A New Sound To The Mainstream Yah Koh Poh Jacob Scott Jones, commonly known as recording artist “iakopo” (yah-koh-po), was born in California and raised in Samoa gaining inspiration through the island lifestyle which is felt through his music His fame in the islands intrigued global producer Rvssian who is known for his work with artists such as Chris Brown, Rihanna, and many others.

Instagram: [@iakopomusic](https://www.instagram.com/iakopomusic)



WST

Their common language is street, having grown up in the middle of street culture since their teenage years. The two were lifelong friends who, out of the blue, decided to make music together. In 2020, amid the pandemic, they decided to combine their knowledge and experiences to create a new era through their music and videos.

Instagram: [@wst.straight_street](https://www.instagram.com/wst.straight_street)



Rihwa

Rihwa is a singer-songwriter and recording artist from Hokkaido, Japan. She is fourth generation Zainichi Korean. Rihwa is managed by AMUSE agency and signed to TOY'S FACTORY label and has released her 4th Album “Wild Inside”.

Instagram: [@rihwa_official](https://www.instagram.com/rihwa_official)

Artists



Kaoru Miyazaki

Miyazaki Kaoru is a singer-songwriter based in Japan. She garnered the attention of music labels in 2011 after sending around a demo tape, and debuted the next year with Kimi to Sora.

Social media: [@kaorumiyazaki_official](https://www.instagram.com/kaorumiyazaki_official)



EPITHYMiA

A five member Japanese dance/vocal group. Epithymia means wishes in Greek. Their concept delivers a story about Amazonite, which is said to be a stone that fulfills wishes.

Instagram: [@epithymia_official](https://www.instagram.com/epithymia_official)



Kawago Hina & Yonaka Band

Stage name as 'Kawago Hina & YONAKA Band', she was a member of Nogizaka46's 1st Generation. After leaving the group in 2018, she continued her music career and formed a girl group, Youplus in 2021.

Instagram: [@hina_kawago](https://www.instagram.com/hina_kawago)

Artists



Minami

Minami is a Japanese singer and songwriter from Saitama. Minami won the second FlyingDog Audition Grand Prix in 2017, and later signed onto FlyingDog under Victor Entertainment in 2019. On June 30, 2020, she transferred to Warner Music Japan, where she is currently managed.

Instagram: [@mimi.minami.mimi](https://www.instagram.com/mimi.minami.mimi)



A PAGE UNTURNED

Los Angeles pop-punk band A Page Unturned formed in April of 2017.

Instagram: [@apageuntturned](https://www.instagram.com/apageuntturned)

Twitter: [@APageUnturned](https://twitter.com/APageUnturned)

YouTube: [A Page Unturned](https://www.youtube.com/APageUnturned)

Spotify: [A Page Unturned](https://open.spotify.com/artist/APageUnturned)



Arkta

ARKTA is a hybrid rock band from both Los Angeles, California and Tokyo, Japan. Tak writes the lyrics and screams out the aggression while kenken creates the music and sings the emotions. When the two worlds collide, you will encounter the world of ARKTA.

Instagram: [@arkta_band](https://www.instagram.com/arkta_band)

Artists



Jules Liesl

Jules Liesl is a singer/songwriter living in the heart of Hollywood CA. A musician from a young age, her unique approach to songwriting brings a nostalgic but fresh taste to Pop Music. Jules uses Synesthesia to propel her writing. Between her out of the ordinary writing techniques, and with the help of her Producer, JoJo Centineo, the Jules Liesl sound was born.

Instagram: [@julesliesl](https://www.instagram.com/julesliesl)



Koz

A Japanese Dancehall Reggae artist, now living in Los Angeles, came all the way from Kyoto to show off her vibrant styled music and fun collaboration of both Japanese and Jamaican culture.

Instagram: [official_koz](https://www.instagram.com/official_koz)

Twitter: [official_koz](https://twitter.com/official_koz)

YouTube: [official_koz](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

Spotify: [Koz](https://open.spotify.com/artist/...)



Pepper Osaka

A Japanese rapper who is living his best life in California, embracing the LA lifestyle through his lyrics. His rap style is very lively and intense, and loves to get crowd interaction.

Instagram: [pepper.osaka](https://www.instagram.com/pepper.osaka)

Twitter: [pepperosaka](https://twitter.com/pepperosaka)

YouTube: [PEPPEROSAKA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...)

Spotify: [Pepper Osaka](https://open.spotify.com/artist/...)

Artists



Ari Prado

Ari is an American artist, guitar player, and record producer from Long Beach, California. He really brings the chill, laidback energy into his music,, and of course with a mix of raggare.

Instagram: [aripradomusic](#)

Twitter: [aripradomusic](#)

YouTube: [AriPradoMusic](#)

Spotify: [Ari Prado](#)



Arcane Maid Cafe

Started by a group of friends who share a love for all things magical, beautiful, and fun. They offer a unique experience that combines Japanese maid culture with a touch of American magic. They take pride in offering a welcoming space for our guests to relax and indulge in our delightful menu.

Instagram: [@arcanemaيدcafe](#)

Twitter: [@ArcaneMaidCafe](#)

YouTube: [ArcaneCafe](#)



Tsugu Itagaki

We Share Records

Tsugu Itagaki is a Japanese artist born and raised in Kumamoto, Japan. Tsugu began his Djing career in the early 2000s. Primarily influenced by American musical genres such as Soul, Jazz and Hip-Hop he decided to make the move to Los Angeles in the year 2007 to expand his Djing Career. Being a native of Japan, he has taken notice of the recent rise in popularity and demand for Japanese City Pop music.

Instagram: [@tsuguitagaki](#)

Twitter: [@DJtsUqU](#)

Soundcloud: [DJ tsUqU](#)

Artists



Sara Nanjo

Artist from Kumamoto, Japan. She is a former member of Jump up Joy and the training unit α-X's

Instagram: [@sara_nanjo](#)

Twitter: [@Sara_Nanjo](#)

YouTube: [SaraChan](#)

Spotify: [Sara Nanjo](#)

TikTok: [@sara_nanjo](#)



Isomen Club

TikToker, YouTuber or Dancer?
We are "Isomen Club"

Instagram: [kameeeeen666](#)

Twitter: [kameeeeen666](#)

YouTube: [user-pm9wh2rk7y](#)



Ryu

Four member dance unit from Japan managed by BE ONE ENTERTAINMENT

Instagram [koutaro_318](#) (left artist) [tenmaru_t](#) (right side)

Twitter: [KoouTaro111](#) (left artist) [tenmaru_t](#) (right side)

Artists



Konnichiwa

A dance group of 3 coming from Japan, ready to bring the young, hip dance moves to the stage!

Instagram: [be_a.official](https://www.instagram.com/be_a.official)

Twitter: [manatsu_BA](https://twitter.com/manatsu_BA)



Mio Ando

In 1991, she moved to the U.S. and entered the Berklee College of Music. While working as a vocalist herself, she developed her own voice training method and worked as a voice trainer in Boston and New York. After returning to Japan, she opened Perfect Voice Osaka and Tokyo schools in 2006, and has been involved in voice training for artists and is also known for her corporate voice training.

Instagram: [@mioando](https://www.instagram.com/mioando)

Twitter: [@mioando](https://twitter.com/mioando)



OSAKA翔GANGS

Dance and vocal unit from Osaka, Japan. Debuted in November 2006 with their first single "Osaka Wasshoi!" Through their singing and dancing, they are spreading energy from Osaka to the world.

Instagram: [@osaka_show_gangs](https://www.instagram.com/osaka_show_gangs)

Twitter: [@showgang10](https://twitter.com/showgang10)

YouTube: [osakashowgangs](https://www.youtube.com/osakashowgangs)

TikTok: [@osakashowgangs](https://www.tiktok.com/@osakashowgangs)

Food and Drinks

You can enjoy a wide variety of tasty Japanese food & drinks!

Shave Ice

by [KURAMOTO SHAVERY](#)

Japanese style shaved ice made with clear ice block from Japan.



Yakisoba[Fried Noodle]

A Japanese noodle stir-fry dish. Soba in yakisoba is made from wheat flour and typically flavored with a special sauce.



Sake Tasting

More than 30 varieties of great selection of Japanese brand sake. Sake tasting is \$10 for 3 cups



ASAHI Beer

Japan's No. 1 Beer. The beer has a light colour and flavour profile. There is also more carbonation, which perfect for the summer.



Yaki Tori[skewered chicken]

by [Shin-Sen-Gumi](#)

Yakitori is a popular, inexpensive grilled dish commonly enjoyed with beer.



Ramen Burger

by [Rated R Burger](#)

Using fried ramen noodles on a bun, which is then topped with sauce, mayonnaise and a Wagyu.



Photo/video Asset Link:

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