

PROGRAM SCHEDULE *matapa* (Winter) Nov. 1, 2025 to Apr. 24, 2026

*Programs may be changed or canceled due to circumstances. Please check the official Upopoy website for details.



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Nov. 1, 2025 to Mar. 31, 2026
9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Apr. 1 to Apr. 24, 2026
9:00 am to 6:00 pm

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Capacity:303

uekari cise
Cultural Exchange Hall

yayhanokkar cise
Workshop / Annex / Annex 3

ikar usi
Crafts Studio

Capacity:30
sinot cise

teeta kane an kotan
Kotan (Traditional Ainu Village)

Capacity: 96
an=ukokor aynu ikor oma kenru
National Ainu Museum Theater

9 am			9:00 am to 4:30 pm Workshop Mukkuri for Beginners (Musical Workshop) <i>Some charges apply</i>		
10 am	10:00 sinot (Performing Arts) <i>Seat tickets required</i> No entry or exit during performances	10:00 am to 12:00 pm Workshop Annex aksinot (Archery Experience) <i>Some charges apply</i>	9:30 Reservation required Workshop ikarkar=an ro (Craft Workshop) <i>Some charges apply</i>	10:00 Workshop upopo a=ki ro (Performing Arts Workshop)	9:30 Ainu History and Culture (Short Film)
11 am	11:00 sinot (Performing Arts) <i>Seat tickets required</i> No entry or exit during performances		11:00 Reservation required Workshop inuye=an ro (Craft Workshop) <i>Charges apply</i>	11:00 Pon Theater (Life)	10:30 Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention (Short Film)
12 pm	12:00 kamuy yukar (Short Film) <i>Seat tickets required</i>			12:00 Workshop upopo a=ki ro (Performing Arts Workshop)	11:30 No entry or exit during performances newsar=an ro (Life)
1 pm	1:00 imeru (Performing Arts) <i>Seat tickets required</i> No entry or exit during performances		12:30 Reservation required Workshop ikarkar=an ro (Craft Workshop) <i>Some charges apply</i>	1:00 Workshop aynuitak ari a=ye ro (Ainu Language Workshop)	12:30 Ainu History and Culture (Short Film)
2 pm	2:00 kamuy yukar (Short Film) <i>Seat tickets required</i> <small>*May be changed to performing arts or subject to cancellation</small>	2:00 pm to 4:00 pm Workshop Annex Workshop aksinot (Archery Experience) <i>Some charges apply</i>	2:00 Reservation required Workshop inuye=an ro (Craft Workshop) <i>Charges apply</i>	2:00 Pon Theater (Life)	1:30 Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention (Short Film)
3 pm	3:00 sinot (Performing Arts) <i>Seat tickets required</i> No entry or exit during performances	2:30 Reservation required Workshop Ponto Kitchen (Cooking Workshop)	3:30 Reservation required Workshop Tonkori for Beginners (Musical Workshop)	2:30 No entry or exit during performances newsar=an ro (Life)	2:30 Fudangi no Ainu (Short Film)
4 pm				3:30 upaskuma (Life)	3:30 Ainu History and Culture (Short Film)
5 pm	5:00 kamuy yukar (Short Film) <i>Seat tickets required</i> <small>*Available only from April 1 to April 24, 2026</small>	Kamuy Eyes (Visual Experience) Virtual Reality (VR) experience viewed with a dedicated headset. ●10:00 am~4:00 pm ●Ages 13 and over <i>Approx. 5 min. Capacity:6</i>	Outside of the program, demonstrations and displays of embroidery and woodcarving works are presented.	4:30 upaskuma (Life)	4:30 Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention (Short Film) <small>*Available only from April 1 to April 24, 2026</small>
6 pm	Open until 6:00 pm from April 1 to April 24, 2026				

Outside of program hours, each *cise* (traditional house) is open to visitors.

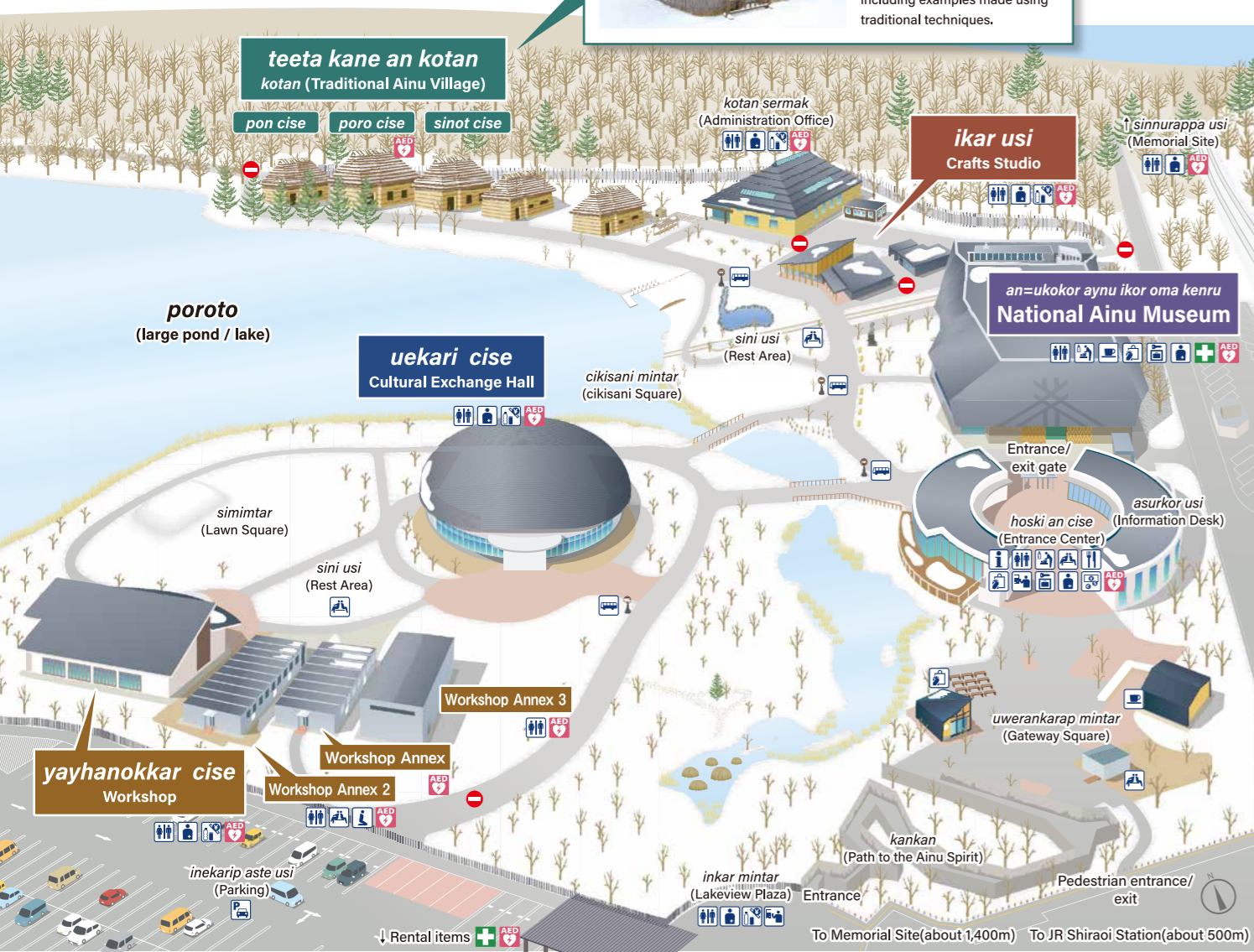
- In the *sinot cise*, visitors can freely touch kimonos, picture books, and playhouse tools.



Weekdays

uaynu kor kotan

National Ainu Museum and Park



teeta kane an kotan

In the Ainu language, a *kotan* is a village or settlement. The *kotan* at Upopoy is home to five thatched *cise* (Ainu houses), including examples made using traditional techniques.

teeta kane an kotan
kotan (Traditional Ainu Village)

pon cise poro cise sinot cise

uekari cise
Cultural Exchange Hall

yayhanokkar cise
Workshop

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| Information | Restroom | Nursing Room | Rest Area | Food Court | Prayer Room |
| Café | Shop | Ticket Desk | Lockers | Facilities for Ostomates | Vending Machine |
| Currency Exchange Machine | Parking | Parking Payment Machine | Bus Stop | First-Aid Station | AED |

Items available for free rental

Wheelchairs strollers umbrellas

Ask to a member of staff if you wish to rent these items.

Free Wi-Fi is available inside Upopoy Password: upopoy01

yayhanokkar cise Workshop

Workshop Approx. 30 min. Capacity: 8

Ponto Kitchen (Cooking Workshop) Workshop Reservations required

Get an introduction to Ainu dishes in a cooking and tasting workshop suitable for beginners. *Dishes may vary depending on the season.

- Reservation required (at least 30 mins. before start time)
- Elementary school students and above (ages 6 and over) (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- 2 groups (1 to 4 people per group)

Workshop Annex Approx. 10 min. Capacity: 8

aksinot (Archery Experience) Workshop

An archery experience with a simplified bow and arrow.

- Elementary school students and above (ages 6 and over) (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- 3 arrows per person
- You may be asked to wait during busy times

Workshop Annex 3 charges apply

itak tomari (Ainu Language Workshop)

A hunting-inspired workshop using a real bow and arrow.

- Fridays only
- Junior high school students and above (ages 13 and over)
- 6 arrows per person
- Fee: 500 yen
- You may be asked to wait during busy times

uekari cise Cultural Exchange Hall

sinot (Performing Arts) Approx. 20 min. Capacity: 303 Seat tickets required

Performances of songs and dances with roots in different regions, against a backdrop of Hokkaido's magnificent natural landscapes.

- Seat ticket required (available in front of Cultural Exchange Hall)
- Designated seating only
- No entry or exit during performances. Eating, drinking, photography, filming and audio recording are not permitted during performances.

imeru (Performing Arts) Approx. 20 min. Capacity: 303 Seat tickets required

Performances of new songs and dances bringing arts once buried in history to life.

- Seat ticket required (available in front of Cultural Exchange Hall)
- Designated seating only
- No entry or exit during performances. Eating, drinking, photography, filming and audio recording are not permitted during performances.

kamuy yukar (Short Film) Approx. 30 min. Capacity: 303 Seat tickets required

Two animated short films based on Ainu legends: The Boy Who Brought Down a Kamuy and The Solar Deity Caught by Evil Fox.

- Seat ticket required (available in front of Cultural Exchange Hall)
- Designated seating only

Park wide 60 to 90 min.

An Ainu Toolbox for Life (Puzzle Game)(In Japanese only) charges apply

- Purchase kits at the Entrance Center
- On sale from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Fee: 500 yen
- Mobile device required
- For ages 10 and over

Scan the QR code for details.(In Japanese only)



an=ukokor aynu ikor oma kenru National Ainu Museum

ikor tumpu Approx. 60 min.

Permanent Exhibition and Special Exhibitions (Exhibits)

The permanent exhibition introduces the Ainu language, history and culture from the perspectives of the Ainu. In addition, special and thematic exhibitions are organized several times throughout the year.

- Eating, drinking, filming, long umbrellas and stationery other than pencils not permitted.

inoka nukar tumpu Approx. 30 min. Capacity: 96

Theater Screening (Short Film)

Short films introducing Ainu history and culture are shown on the large screen. In addition to *Ainu History and Culture* and *Ainu Crafts Gain Worldwide Attention*, the new film *Fudangi no Ainu* is included in the program from 2025.

- Eating, drinking, photography, filming and stationery other than pencils not permitted.

teeta kane an kotan Kotan (Traditional Ainu Village)

poro cise Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 60

upaskuma (Life)

Learn about life in a *kotan* and experience traditional songs and dances. Each session features a different theme, including houses, boats, hunting equipment, and place names.

sinot cise Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 30

Pon Theater (Life)

Discover the relationship between the Ainu and the *kamuy* (spirit-deities) and learn about Ainu lives past and present through a paper theater show.

newsar=an ro (Life) Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 60

Experience Ainu oral literature through tales and lyrical songs passed down through the generations.

- No entry or exit during performances. Photography, filming and audio recording are not permitted during performances.

ikar usi Crafts Studio

ikarkar=an ro (Craft Workshop) Some charges apply Approx. 60 min. Capacity: 20 Reservations required

Try embroidering an Ainu pattern.

- Choose from three types of items
- Reservation required (at least 5 mins. before start time)
- Ages 9 and over (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- Fee: 1,000 yen (bag or wooden frame), free (coaster)

inuye=an ro (Craft Workshop) charges apply Approx. 60 min. Capacity: 10 Reservations required

Try carving an Ainu pattern.

- Choose from two types of items
- Reservation required (at least 5 mins. before start time)
- Ages 9 and over (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- Fee: 1,000 yen (coaster), 1,500 yen (smartphone stand)

Tonkori for Beginners (Musical Workshop) Approx. 40 min. Capacity: 10 Reservations required

Learn how to play the *tonkori* zither, then put your skills to the test.

- Reservation required (at least 10 mins. before start time)
- Ages 9 and over (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)

Mukkuri for Beginners (Musical Workshop) Some charges apply Approx. 10 min. Capacity: 10 Maximum 10 people at a time Reservations required

Learn how to hold and play *mukkuri*, a kind of mouth harp, and create various sounds.

- Elementary school students and above (ages 6 and over) (Elementary school students (ages 6 to 12) must be accompanied by a guardian.)
- *mukkuri* available for purchase until 4:00pm
- You may be asked to wait during busy times
- Fee: 1,000 yen (free for people who bring their own *mukkuri*)



aynu itak ari a=ye ro (Ainu Language Workshop) Approx. 15 min. Capacity: 30 Reservations required

Learn everyday words in Ainu.

