

[Greeting from the Director (Draft), to be published online]

The Kirishima International Concert Hall (nicknamed “Miyama Conseru”) is a dedicated music hall that takes advantage of its lush natural setting in the Kirishima region. Since its grand opening in July 1994, it has served the musical and cultural needs of the residents of Kagoshima Prefecture, all while striving to be a creative hub for compelling music culture.

In order to provide the optimal volume and acoustics for classical, and especially chamber music, the 770-seat main hall fully incorporates a range of acoustic technology, and was even lauded as a “miracle hall” at the International Congress on Acoustics. The facility is also well equipped to serve a wide variety of needs; the small hall and rehearsal room, along with our eight practice rooms, are available for piano recitals, workshops, training courses, individual practice and more, while the open-air concert arena is the perfect venue for enjoying music amidst the abundant nature of Kirishima Kogen.

In addition to the Kirishima International Music Festival, highly regarded as one of the top music festivals in Asia and one of the most historic in Japan, the facility hosts concerts throughout the year featuring a wide variety of genres, from classical and jazz, to pop and even traditional and folk music. What’s more, whether it’s mini-concerts that give children and the general public a casual opportunity to get closer to music, outreach concerts for prefectural residents that live far from the facility, or general workshops in performance technique and music theory that offer comprehensive training to the next generation of music culture custodians, we are undertaking a range of initiatives to promote music culture in Kagoshima.

Moving forward, we will keep striving to meet your expectations and ensure that the Kirishima International Concert Hall is a welcoming place that is accessible to all. Thank you for your continued support.

Shinichi KOIZUMI
Director of the Kirishima International Concert Hall

** Portrait of the Director to be attached*