

Kansai Airports is excited to announce that YAMAHA's "LovePiano" will be set up at Osaka International Airport (ITAMI) for the first time in any airport. This piano will be free to be played by any passerby at the airport for four days between April 18 and 21, 2019. Prior to that, airport guests will be able to catch a glimpse of the colorfully painted piano on display in front of DEAN&DELUCA CAFE on Level 3 of Central Block from April 13 to 17, 2019.



Colorfully painted YAMAHA's upright "LovePiano"

The LovePiano was born of a project launched by YAMAHA MUSIC JAPAN, with a goal of getting more people interested in and familiar with playing the piano. In the project, YAMAHA sets up a colorfully and uniquely painted piano based on the theme "LovePiano" in public spaces across the country, available for anyone to freely play.

This kind of initiative—called *Street Piano*—has been seen in many places throughout Europe. It recently gained a lot of popularity because of its appearance on TV shows. In collaboration with YAMAHA, ITAMI decided to set up the *LovePiano* in pursuit of a new, unique and fun way to engage airport guests.

During the event, the *LovePiano* will be installed at the entrance to the Observation Deck on Level 4 of North Terminal. Anyone who passes by can freely play the piano. On Saturday, April 20, the piano will be moved to the Observation Deck, and the world-famous pianist, Yukie Nishimura, born in Toyonaka City, will play the piano, offering beautiful tunes and melodies that you would not otherwise hear every day at the airport. On that day, Kansai Airports Group's official character *Sorayan* will also join the event.

Please come play the *LovePiano* and enjoy a beautiful piano performance by Yukie Nishimura on April 20 at ITAMI.

Visit the following website to find out more about the *LovePiano*: https://jp.yamaha.com/products/contents/pianos/lovepiano/index.html

## **Event Overview**

## [The LovePiano display]

Period: Saturday, April 13 - Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Place: In front of DEAN & DELUCA CAFE, Level 3 of Central Block

· During this period, the *LovePiano* cannot be played.

# [The LovePiano street-piano setup]

Period: Thursday, April 18 - Sunday, April 21, 2019

Time: 10:00 - 19:00

Place: Entrance to the Observation Deck, Level 4 of North Terminal (near Hoshi-no-ma)

- · During this period, anyone can freely play the LovePiano.
- Between 10:00 and 16:00 on Saturday, April 20, 2019, the piano will be moved and placed on the Observation Deck, Level 4 of South Terminal. If it rains, the piano will be kept at the entrance to the Observation Deck.
- The *LovePiano* may not be available to be played right before and after the special performance by Yukie Nishimura. Your understanding is highly appreciated.

## [Special Piano Performance by Yukie Nishimura]

Date: Saturday, April 20, 2019 (1) 13:00 - 13:30 (2) 15:00 - 15:30

Place: Rooftop deck, Level 4 of South Terminal

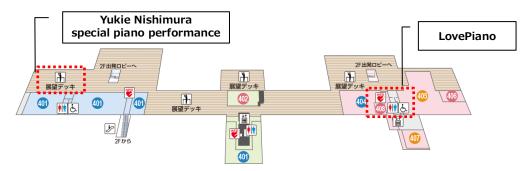
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## Yukie Nishimura



Composer and pianist. With her musical talent discovered at an early age, she joined music tours to Europe, US and South East Asian countries. She won unprecedented praises from audience playing with famous maestros and world-class orchestras. Debuted as a pianist in the same year when she entered Toho Gakuen School of Music. Her graceful and romantic melodies endear her to a wide range of fans. She composed many music pieces for TV dramas, movies and commercials including the popular "101st Marriage Proposal" and "Helen the Baby Fox". She also appears on TV shows and radio programs and writes essays. On top of holding more than 60 concerts a year, she also dedicates herself to the "Smile Piano 500" project to offer piano concerts at schools, hospitals and disaster-hit regions. Her album *My Stories* won *IFPI Hong Kong Top Sales Music Award 2015*. In April 2019, her 40<sup>th</sup> album *PIANO SWITCH*! -*BEST SELECTION*- will soon be released.

Her official website: http://www.nishimura-yukie.com/



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\*The team name changed on April 1, 2019



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<sup>\*</sup>It would be held at the entrance to the Observation Deck in case of rain.

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the benefit of the communities they serve.

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Kansai Airports Kobe, Kansai Airports' wholly-owned subsidiary, took over the operations of Kobe Airport ("KOBE") from Kobe City and started its business as an operating company on April 1, 2018. Under the concept of "One Kansai Airports Group", Kansai Airports group strives to continuously improve its services for all airport guests through appropriate investments and efficient operations, with safety and security being the top priority. Kansai Airports group aims to maximize the potential of the three airports, for

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Location	1-banchi, Senshu-kuko kita, Izumisano-shi, Osaka	Shareholders	ORIX 40%, VINCI Airports 40%, Other investors 20% <sup>1</sup>		
Company Representatives	Representative Director and CEO:Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Emmanuel Menanteau				
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kansai International Airport and Osaka International Airport				

Kansai Airports Kobe

Location	1-ban, Kobe-kuko, Chuo-ku, Kobe-shi, Hyogo	Shareholder	Kansai Airports 100%
Company	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya		
Representatives	Representative Director and Co-CEO: Emmanuel Menanteau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kobe Airport		



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