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## Dance concert with “Bal Musette Paris” at ITM!

Kansai Airports is thrilled to announce the dance concert with Bal Musette Paris at Osaka International Airport (ITM) on October 26 and 27, 2024.

Bal musette is a dance party that gained immense popularity in the early 20th century in the working-class neighborhoods of Paris, featuring lively accordion music. This music culture evokes the nostalgia of France’s golden age.

In this upcoming event, dancers who are promoting bal musette in Paris will coming to Japan for the first time. You will have the opportunity to enjoy and be part of the concert featuring live accordion performance.

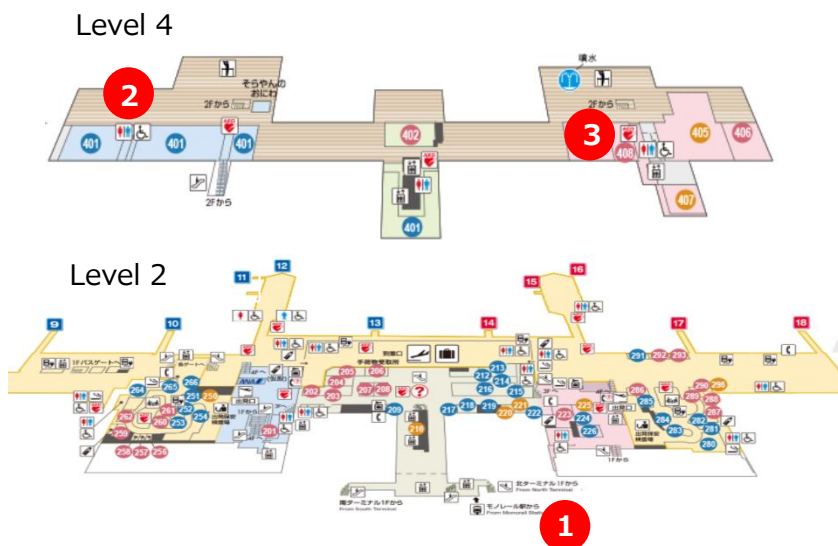
Kansai Airports Group will continue to create new travel experiences through engaging events and initiatives.

- Date: October 26 (Saturday) and 27 (Sunday), 2024
- Time and place:
  - Session 1 - 11:00 – 11:45 a.m. in front of the stained glass on the second floor of Osaka Monorail Station
  - Session 2 - 1:00 – 1:45 p.m. at the observation deck stage on the fourth floor of the south terminal
  - Session 3 - 3:00 – 3:45 p.m. at the stage in Yoshimoto Entame Shop on the fourth floor of the north terminal
- Details:
  - Mini lecture about the history of bal musette
  - Demonstration of authentic dance and dance lesson
  - \*Everyone is welcome to join two French dancers and an accordionist, who will teach you kindly.
- Fee: Free of charge
- Organizer: Kansai Airports
- Notes: If it rains, Session 2 will take place on the pedestrian deck in the central area of the second floor.



Paribal et Rie

### Location map



## ■ Performers

### Paribal et Rie

#### ■ Paribal, dance group

Paribal is a dance group based in Paris, consisting of two dancers, Jean-Pierre Foucart and Pascale Bétourne. Pascale, who has loved dancing since childhood at rural dance parties, and Jean-Pierre, who learned various dance styles including social dancing and rock, met at an Argentine tango party, quickly connected, and formed Paribal. They both love the old-style bal musette of the early 20th century and set out to revive this dance party format that anyone can join. Paribal has since performed at various events both in France and globally, bringing the joy of bal musette to a wider audience.

#### ■ Rie, chromatic accordionist

Rie started to play the piano in her childhood. After working as an editor and in advertising, she experienced a life-changing encounter with the accordion at the age of 30. In Japan, she learned keyboard accordion under Masashi Nishio and Yu Xi An, and chromatic accordion with Mototaka Kaneko. She moved to Paris at the end of 2002 and learned under François Parisi. In the fall of 2003, she earned her qualification as a metro musician in Paris, becoming the first Japanese musician to perform regularly at an outdoor restaurant along the Marne River. In addition to performing at traditional bal musette dance parties and in theaters and cafes, she teaches at music schools. Since 2017, she has been organizing the dance live events "Bal Musette Paris-Tokyo" in Japan.

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### Kansai Airports

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: Benoit Rulleau		
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 Representatives	Representative Director and CEO: Yoshiyuki Yamaya Representative Director and Co-CEO: Benoit Rulleau		
Business Scope	Operation and management services, etc. of Kobe Airport		



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