

Futami Okitama Shrine

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Do you know the rules for worshipping Ise shrine? Before going to the Ise shrine, you should go to a shrine in Futamiura. The shrine is Futami Okitama shrine. This shrine is located by the sea. On sunny days, you can enjoy the very beautiful, glowing surface of the sea water. Let me introduce the charming points of Futami Okitama shrine!!

There are a lot of frogs!!

Along the path approaching the Futami Okitama shrine, there are many statues of frogs. Frogs are an important presence for this shrine. Kaeru, the word for frog in Japanese, also has the meanings,

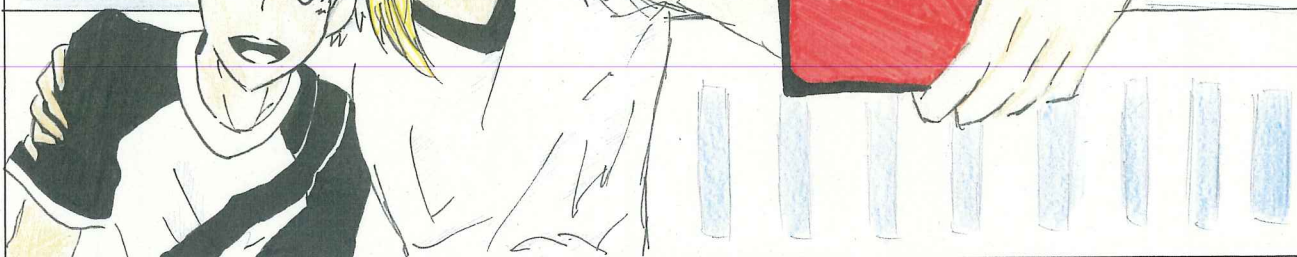
"Return safely", "Return lent things", and "Become younger."

MANGAN GAERU

The frog below the water in the purifying water pavilion is the Mangan Gaeru. It will deliver your wish to the god and make it come true when you pour water over it. Some people pour water on the statue in front of them, but that is wrong. Mangan Gaeru is under the water.

Meotoiwa

Near Okitama shrine, there are rocks called Meotoiwa. Meotoiwa is a kind of "torii". One rock is called "Otakeiwa", the other is called "Onnakiwa". These two rocks are tied with a sacred straw rope. In summer, you can see the sun rising between the two rocks. Behind Meotoiwa, there is a frog statue watching the sea. It protects people who are working on the sea or who are doing marine sports from accidents. It makes your heart warm, doesn't it? Lastly it is a good place for busy and tired people. Why don't you visit the place with cute frogs, a great view of the sea and Futami Okitama shrine?



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