

Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple

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815 EAST FIRST STREET, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012-4303

**THE COMMEMORATION SERVICE FOR THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF CURRENT
TEMPLE SITE, OFFICIATED BY GOMONSHU KOJUN OHTANI**

CHIGO PARADE

The Los Angeles Homba Hongwanji Buddhist Temple will be commemorating the 50th Anniversary of Current Temple site on Sunday, September 8, 2019, officiated by Gomonshu Kojun Ohtani, the Resident Minister of the Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha.

Prior to the service, there will be a Chigo Parade which will be made up with children, ministers, and temple leaders. The Kinnara Gagaku (traditional Buddhist musical players) will be leading the parade.

All the participating children will be dressed with traditional kimono and make up for the parade. We encourage all of your children and grandchildren to participate in this once-in-a-life-time occasion.

What is Chigo?

Chigo are children who participate in the Buddhist processions. From the *Kamakura period* on, well-to-do families sent their children to temples for their education. In major celebrations, the children being educated at the temple participated in ceremonial processions and major celebrations. They were dressed to represent heavenly beings. The children wore the *Kariginu*, a robe with long, wide sleeves which is worn over *Hakama*, a culotte-like skirt. This is the hunting costume of the *Heian nobility* which later became official garb of the government. Boys wear a stiff hat of lacquered gauze called *Eboshi*. Girls wear a crown of a Phoenix Bird and bright metal pendants called *Tenkan*. (Traditions of Jodo Shinshu Hongwanji-ha written by Rev. Kodani & Rev. Hamada)

- Date: Sunday, September 8, 2017
- Place: Kaikan
- Schedule: 7:30am Registration and Change to Kimono
8:30am Group Photo with Gomonshu
9:15am Chigo Parade
10:00am Commemoration Service



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APPLICATION FORM

**Please print*

Name			
Home Address:			
Date of Birth:		Age:	
Gender:	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		
Phone Number:			
Email Address:			

**Please check one*

HEIGHT For KIMONO	XS (under 35.41 inch)	S (under 39.37 inches)	M (under 47.24 inches)	L (under 51.18 inches)	XL (under 55.12 inches)

TABI (socks)	5.12-6.30 inches	6.70-8.27 inches	8.86-9.25 inches	9.25-9.65 inches

ZORI (slipper)	5.12-5.51	5.9-6.3	6.7-7.09	7.48-7.87	8.27-8.66	9.06	9.45

Chigo Parade Application Fee: \$100.00 (*Non-refundable after May 31, 2019)

Payable to "LAHHBT" with a memo "Chigo Parade"

- ❖ Please submit this form and registration fee together to temple by May 31, 2019.
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Attention: Chigo Parade
815 East First Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012
- ❖ Please note that the application fee includes kimono rental, purchasing tabi and Zori, shipping fee for rental from/to Japan, etc.

For more information, please contact Rev. Koho Takata at NishiDharmaCenter@gmail.com or (213) 680-9130