

**A local artistic organization**

**ST spot Yokohama continues to challenge today's society with the arts**

Since 1987, ST spot Yokohama has been in charge of the management of a small-scale theater ST spot. Within a walking distance from the Yokohama station, a space of 56m<sup>2</sup> with white walls is located on the first basement floor in an office building. Many young talented Japanese artists have started their career from this small space.

In 2004, thanks to cooperation with local communities, we started to work in different fields such as education, town management and development or social welfare services. We would like to contribute in realizing a society where people can access arts and culture under any circumstances. Taking artists into schools, funding local cultural organizations and supporting the artistic activities of people with different abilities are equally important activities for us.

We believe that local artistic organizations have a role to induce people to interact with each other through arts and culture. To provide opportunities to present and watch artistic works and support artists as a base for creation of arts and culture. To connect people, to construct networks and to transmit the information.

Our mission, as ST spot Yokohama, is to create countless nodes on these networks through seemingly small acts, so that the cultural exchanges may take root in the local communities.

Arts are non-essential activities. However, with arts as an intermediary, people may encounter unknown territory where they receive new ideas or inspiration. In order to make the most out of that energy in the society, we have committed to protect the ecosystem of the arts and culture and to promote cooperation with other sectors.

35 years of work have been done, and there is a lot more to do. With the support of all of you, we will continue to challenge society with the arts.



- 1987**  
In March, "ST spot Managing Committee" was established by the performing arts practitioners active in Yokohama.  
In November, "ST spot" was inaugurated.
- 1989**  
Rakugo project "ST spot Hanashi-tei" started (until 2001).  
Organization of "Yokohama Art Wave '89" for the 100th Anniversary of the Yokohama City Government and the 130th Anniversary of the Port of Yokohama.
- 1990**  
Theater festival "Sparking Theater" started (until 2005).  
Music project "Searching for the sounds of Asia" started (until 1994).
- 1994**  
"ST spot Dance series" started.  
"Kanagawa International Arts Festival" started (until 2015).
- 1996**  
"Yokohama Dance Collection" at Yokohama Red Brick Warehouse started.
- 1997**  
Dance Competition "Labo20" started (until 2009).
- 2000**  
"ST spot Managing Committee" turned into "ST spot Yokohama" with the board of directors.
- 2004**  
In February, took part in the initial planning and organization of BankART1929 Yokohama (until March 2006).  
In April, the Division for Arts Education (current Division for Community Cooperation) was established to conduct cooperative projects with Kanagawa Prefecture (until March 2009).  
In June, ST spot Yokohama obtained corporate status as a specified non-profit corporation.  
In October, took part in the initial planning and organization of the studio for creation of performing arts "Steep Slope Studio" (until May 2007).  
Yokohama City started to develop City's Policy regarding Culture, Art and Creative City Measures.
- 2008**  
In cooperation with Steep Slope Studio and Yokohama Nigiwai-za (Small hall), 3 facilities have started a support program for creation by young performing artists called "Saka-agari Scholarship" (until 2016).  
Appointed as the Secretariat of "Yokohama City Art & Culture Education Platform".  
"Yokohama Art Site" started to support local cultural projects.
- 2009**  
A Grand Exposition for the 150th Yokohama Port Anniversary "Y150" was organized.
- 2010**  
Dance Competition "N.N.N." started (until 2015).
- 2011**  
TPAM in Yokohama was organized.
- 2012**  
International Dance Festival "Dance Dance Dance @ YOKOHAMA" started.
- 2014**  
In April, appointed as the Secretariat of "Yokohama Art Site".
- 2016**  
In December, certified from Kanagawa Prefecture as a NPO to receive donations as tax deduction.
- 2017**  
In April, certified from Yokohama City as a NPO to receive donations as tax deduction.  
In April, in cooperation with Kanagawa Prefecture, "Support program for local persons with disabilities through cultural and artistic activities" started.
- 2020**  
In April, the project "Kanagawa Prefectural Support Center for Arts and Culture Activities of Persons with Disabilities" started.

## HOW TO SUPPORT US

Our programs cannot be realized without constant effort to develop new projects. Your donation will help us improve. Please support us.

ST spot Yokohama is an NPO authorized by Yokohama.

With your donation, you may receive the deduction of tax.

**AMOUNT** from 3000 JPY

**TYPES** monthly or one time

**METHODS** credit card or bank transfer

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<https://stspot.jp/donation/>



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ST spot



<https://stspot.jp/>



Yokohama City Art & Culture Education Platform  
Artists go to school



<https://y-platform.org/>



Yokohama Art Site  
(Yokohama City Local Culture Support Program)



<https://y-artsite.org/>



Kanagawa Prefectural Support Center for Arts  
and Culture Activities of Persons with Disabilities



<https://k-welfare.org/>

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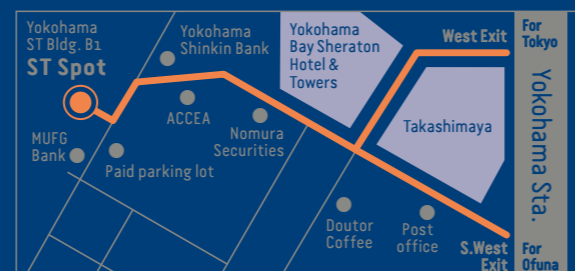
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