

## Open of Uchiko-za Dressing Room

The dressing room of the Uchiko-za was completed as the “Cultural and Artistic Activities Support Center in March 2011. During the preservation and repair work, the dressing room of the Uchiko-za is open to the public. Exhibitions and video screenings related to Uchiko-za are being held. We hope you will visit.

### (Introduction to the main exhibits)

#### ○Notes on the features of Uchiko-za Service entrance

This large service entrance was used for carrying in and out large stage props and scenery. The surrounding walls are filled with the signatures of performers that have graced the Uchiko-za Theatre stage. When the dressing room is open to the public the area displays special exhibitions related to the theater.

**Note:** Photography or video recording of the signatures is not permitted.



#### ○Rehearsal Room

This room is approximately the same size as the stage. As the name suggests, it was built for practicing and rehearsing performances. During the period open to the public, we have an information corner set up where in addition to a video showing the activities taking place at Uchiko-za Theatre, we also distribute information about our conservation and repair efforts. We will regularly hold small concerts as well.



#### ○Dressing Rooms 3 & 5

Since 2014, local children have been performing kyogen at Uchiko-za Theatre under the guidance of Okura school kyogen master Senzaburo Shigeyama. We also have kyogen related materials on permanent display.



#### ○Dressing Rooms 6 & 7

Uchiko-za Theatre was first built in 1916, opened with an inaugural ningyo-joruri bunraku puppet performance. Since then, the theatre has been committed to perform bunraku regularly, and related materials are on display during public viewings.



#### ○Visiting information

Opening hours: 9:00-16:30

Closure: 29th December – 2nd January

Entrance fee: Adults ¥200

Children (under 15) ¥100

(Group discount for groups of more than 20)

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