Special Summer Program
"Evening Romance at Miraikan"
featuring the MEGASTAR-II cosmos; the Geo-Cosmos; and "Love Stories"

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The National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan) (Director: Mamoru Mohri, Address: Aomi Koto-ku Tokyo) will hold "Summer Night Museum - Every single romance taking place on this earth -," and will extend its opening hours until 21:00, for 3 weeks on the weekends for a total of 9 days (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) from July 22 (Fri.) to August 7 (Sun.), 2005.

At the "Summer Night Museum," the special exhibition "LOVE STORIES" which is currently being held, and the latest planetarium, which was also noted by the Guinness Book of World Records, the "MEGASTAR-II cosmos" and the 6.5 meter spherical display, which is the symbol exhibit of Miraikan, the "Geo-Cosmos," will extend each of its viewing hours until 21:00. Furthermore, starting with the restaurant on the 7F, the cafe on the 5F and the Museum Shop on the 1F will also extend its opening hours. It was planned with the intention to have visitors recapture their existence on earth and in space by taking a look and thinking about "romance" as they spend the evening in Miraikan.

The reason why love was created in this world - "LOVE STORIES"
The "LOVE STORIES - why you are not alone" provides a new perspective on Love, which most likely cannot be explained through science and logic, and thus will purposely be approached scientifically as it will be grasped as stories, portraying the quest for a partner on this planet earth. You will get to come across with fresh stories on love, from various topics on the love
strategy of various organisms, the latest research relative to sex, clone technology and future information technology, to the art products which can be enjoyed together in an atmosphere wrapped with soft cloth and sound.

Think about romance in the atmosphere of space - "MEGASTAR-II cosmos"

It is a planetarium, which Director Mohri speaks highly of, since it is the closest thing to the starry sky as seen from the space shuttle. In order to fully bring out its attraction, it faithfully recreated the fine details of the dark nebulae and the thickness and solidity of the Milky Way. You will view the most realistic starry sky in the world which is made of 5 million fixed stars with a special explanation provided by an interpreter from Miraikan. Why don't you try remembering the moment you met your partner but factor in the vast atmosphere of space, which expands endlessly?

Understanding "The existence of yourselves" by viewing the current earth which shines - "Geo-Cosmos"

Geo-Cosmos was planned and exhibited with Director Mohri's desire to "share the glowing image of earth as seen from outer space." "The Current Earth Viewed from Space" downloaded from the imagery data of the clouds sent from satellites is projected in virtual real-time, with 1 million light-emitting diodes (LED) illuminating the Earth floating in the stairwell from the 1F - 6F. As you lie on the sofa in the lounge, you will view the beautiful image of "Geo-Cosmos" which cannot be seen during regular opening hours.
Outline of the Special Program of the Summer "Summer Night Museum - Every single romance taking place on this earth -"

Title : "Summer Night Museum - Every single romance taking place on this earth -"

Venue : The National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation

Address : 2-41 Aomi Koto-ku Tokyo, 135-0064

Access : Tokyo Waterfront New Transit Yurikamome (Shimbashi - Ariake)
5 minute walk from "Funeno-Kagakukan station"
4 minute walk from "Telecom Center station"
Tokyo Waterfront area Rapid Transit Rinkai Line (Shin-kiba - Ohsaki)
15 minute walk from "Tokyo Teleport station"

Term : July 22 (Fri.), 23 (Sat.), 24 (Sun), July 29 (Fri), 30 (Sat), 31 (Sun.), August 5 (Fri.), 6 (Sat.), 7 (Sun.), 9 days in total

Time: 17:00 - 21:00 (*last admission 20:30)
*Permanent exhibits will not be available during these hours.
The opening time for the permanent exhibition will be from 10:00 - 17:00 (last admission 16:30).

Contents : 1. The extension of the opening time of "LOVE STORIES" and "Geo-Cosmos"
2. The extension of the show time of the Planetarium "MEGASTAR-II cosmos"
   *Will run for 5 times in total from 18:00 at 30 min. intervals.
   *The capacity for each show is 110 people.
3. The extension of the opening time for the restaurant on the 7F, cafe on the 5F, and the Museum Shop on the 1F.

Admission Fee : Adults: 900 yen, 18 years old and under: 350 yen (Possible to also view the permanent exhibits until 17:00)
Group discount (over 8 people): Adults: 800 yen, 18 years old and under: 300 yen
*Free admission for those in possession of a Disability Book and one accompanying person

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