



**COWRA
JAPANESE
GARDEN**
AND CULTURAL CENTRE

KŌYŌ

MATSURI

AUTUMN FESTIVAL

1st & 2nd May 2026

PROGRAM

Friday 1st of May

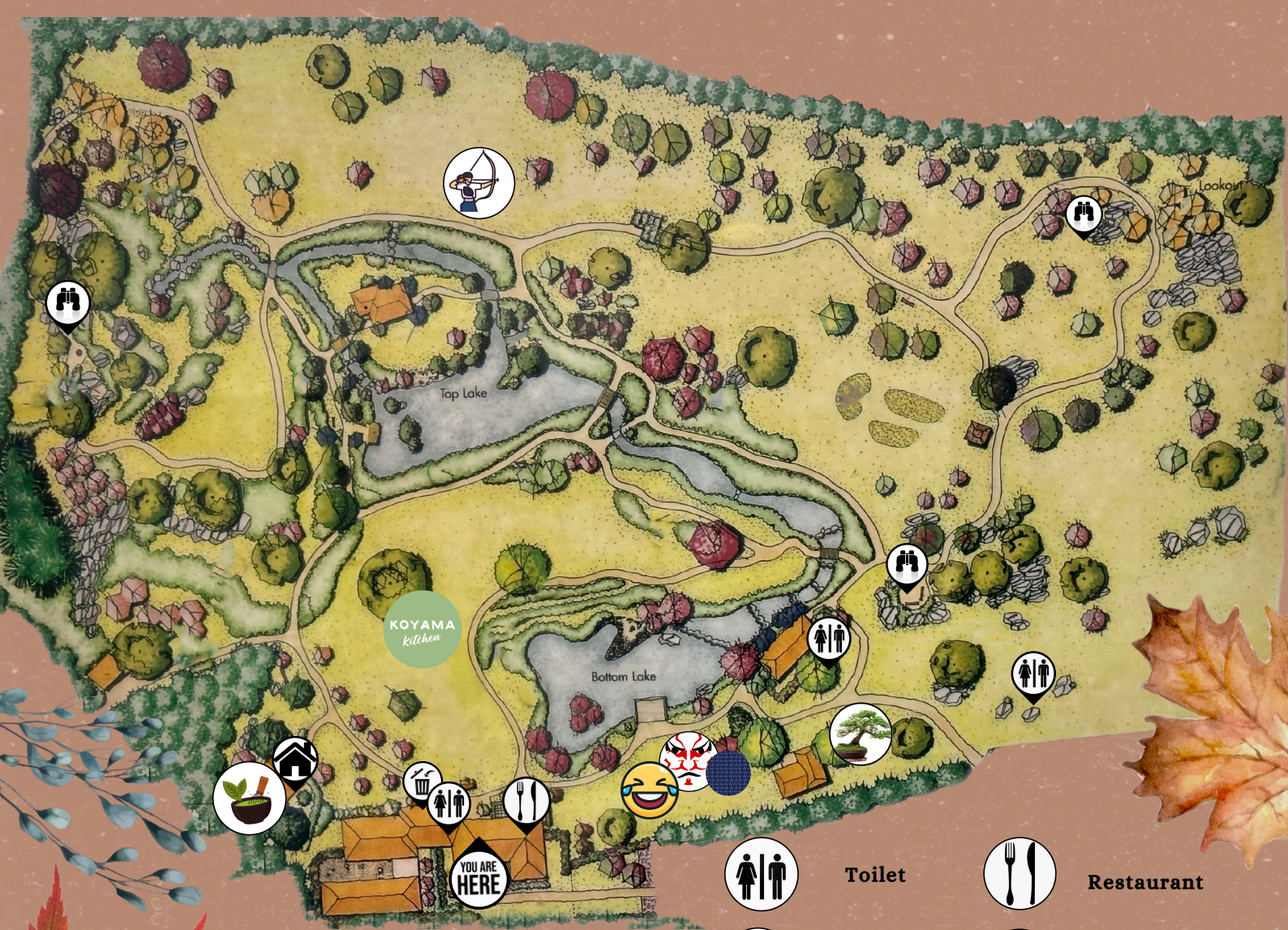
Official Proceedings

3:00pm	Service of Respect Cowra War Cemetery
3:30pm	Refreshments Cowra Japanese Garden and Cultural Centre
4:00pm	Kōyō Oration Guest Speaker - The Ambassador of Japan His Excellency, Mr Suzuki Kazuhiro
4:50pm	Tea Ceremony in the Education Centre - Urasenke Sydney
	Official Kōyō Reception (Invitation only) Addresses: 5:15pm for Mr Yuichiro Nishida Deputy Consul-General 5:30pm start Mr Bill West ORS , Chairman Cr Paul Smith, Mayor of Cowra Ms Dianne Fitzpatrick, President, Australia- Japan Society (ACT)
7:00pm	Koyo Reception Concludes

Saturday 2nd of May

Greenery Day ~ 9:00am - 3:00pm

9:00am to 3:00pm	 Kyudo Kai Archery Demonstration
9:30am, 10:10am, 10:50am, & 11:30am	 Tea Ceremony <i>\$10 cash per person to participate</i>
9:30am to 11:30am	 Sashiko Sewing Workshop <i>Pre purchased ticketed activities</i>
9:30am to 2:00pm	 Bonsai Workshop <i>Pre purchase ticketed activity</i>
10:30am - 11:00am	 Kabuki Performance
11:00am - 12:00pm	 Japanese Comedy Show by Sean Murphy
11:00am - 3:00pm	 Koyama Kitchen <i>Japanese Food Van</i>



Tea Ceremony
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Bonsai Workshop
Pre purchase ticketed activity



Sashiko Workshop
Pre purchase ticketed activities



Koyama Kitchen
Japanese Food Van



Kabuki Performance



Japanese Comedy Show



Archery Demonstration



A Special Thank You to

Deputy Consul-General Mr Yuichiro Nishida
Cr Paul Smith, Mayor of Cowra Shire Council
Elder Ester Cutmore
ANU Za Kabuki
Dr Tets Kimura

Thank you to our Sponsors



Thank you to all of our wonderful demonstrators and supporters, who gave their time generously to bring Japanese Culture to life at Kōyō Matsuri.

Sean Murphy

ANU Za Kabuki Club

Yoshiko Ito & Takuya Ito

Sydney Kyudo Kai

Cath Duncan

Urasenke Sydney

