



2nd Annual Greater Columbus Cherry Blossom Festival April 1-9, 2023 – Citywide

Join Central Ohio to celebrate the spectacular blossoms
of more than 100 cherry trees in Franklin Park
(Inspired by the National Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington DC.)

Main Celebration - Saturday, April 8, 2023, 11 am – 7 pm

Franklin Park grounds & Adventure Center, 1755 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43203

Honorary Chairs: Former Ohio Governor Bob Taft and Mrs. Hope Taft
Master of Ceremonies: Angela An, WBNS 10TV

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

Call of Japanese Drums 11 am & 3 pm, Amphitheatre; Taiko Workshop, 11:30 am

Flag Raising and Welcome Ceremony- MC, Angela An, 12:30 pm

Cultural displays, entertainment, interactive activities, 12 - 5:30 pm, Adventure Center

Bridges to Peace, 5:30 pm; 31st Peace Garden Anniversary Closing Ceremony, 6 pm

ENTERTAINMENT: Taiko, Koto, Soran Bushi, Awaodori, Okinawan Drum Dance, games & more

CULTURAL DISPLAY/EXHIBITS: Ikebana, Bonsai, Hina dolls, Japanese toys, calligraphy, kite-making.
kimonos, Wishing Tree & much more

FOOD TRUCKS: Japanese cuisine and others



For event details or to volunteer check out IVO
Greater Columbus Cherry Blossom Festival
Facebook page or email Marinda Iyer
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Other Cherry Blossom Festival Events

April 1- Virtual Opening online;
Tree Planting Ceremony in Bexley

April 2 – Community Day @ Franklin Park Conservatory with
JASCO & Worthington, 1773 E. Broad St. Columbus 43203

April 9- Spring Festival, 1-5 pm @ Ohio Union, The Ohio State
University and HANAMI “flower viewing” in Franklin Park

