

CoFesta 2012

Held annually since 2007, CoFesta (Japan International Contents Festival) is the world's largest comprehensive contents festival. Events connected both directly with the contents industry, such as the showcasing of games, animation, manga, characters, music and film, and indirectly in such genres as fashion and design, are held collectively. CoFesta attracts about 2.7 million visitors last year.

The first official event of CoFesta, Tokyo Game Show 2012, was held at Makuhari Messe From Sep-



Tokyo Game Show 2012 on Makuhari Messe, Chiba Prefecture

tember 20 to 23, and reached a record 223,753 visitors. The event featured exhibitions of new games, a charity auction to support reconstruction from the Great East Japan Earthquake and the Japan Game Awards ceremony.

CoFesta 2012 Main Events

Event	Date	Venue
CEATEC JAPAN 2012	Oct. 2-6	Makuhari Messe
5th Robot Award	Oct. 17-19	Tokyo Big Sight
Japan Prize 2012 International Contest for Educational Media	Oct. 18-25	NHK Broadcasting Center
The 25th Tokyo International Film Festival (TIFF)	Oct. 20-28	Roppongi Hills, theaters, halls and other facilities in the Tokyo metropolitan area
International Drama Festival in Tokyo 2012	Oct. 22	Tokyo Prince Hotel
9th Tokyo International Music Market (TIMM)	Oct. 23-25	Grand Pacific Le Daiba
TIFFCOM 2012 Marketplace for Film & TV in Asia (TIFFCOM)	Oct. 23-25	Grand Pacific Le Daiba
Tokyo International Anime Festival 2012 Autumn (TIAF)	Oct. 23-25	Grand Pacific Le Daiba
CREATIVE MARKET TOKYO 2012 (CMT)	Oct. 23-25	Grand Pacific Le Daiba
Digital Content Expo 2012	Oct. 25-27	National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (Miraikan)

Annual Meetings of the IMF and World Bank Group in Japan

The Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank Group will be held in Tokyo from October 9 to 14, 2012. The 2012 meeting will mark the second time this event has been held in Japan, with the first such meeting held back in 1964. The year will also mark the sixtieth anniversary of Japan's membership to the Fund and the Bank.

Kokosil Ginza

Kokosil Ginza is an application for smartphones (available on the iPhone from October 9) that provides a wealth of information about Tokyo's Ginza district in English, Chinese and Korean. The service is also available in the Tokyo International Forum and Imperial Hotel, which are located close to Ginza and are the main venues of the Annual Meetings described above.