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Momonoura Village, established in a small fishing village whose population fell sharply due to the devastating damage by Great East Japan earthquake and tsunami in 2011, is a membership lodging facility surrounded by beautiful sea and mountains. Momonura Village made its birth in concurrent with Reborn-Art Festival held during summer 2017 with the hope to recreate a community in which people can gather and enjoy interactions again in the village where only a few people decided to stay after the tsunami damage. Located in Momonoura, Ishinomaki city on Oshika peninsula, east coast in Tokoku district in northern part of Japan's main island, visitors will enjoy the learning experiences about "art of life". The "art of life" in this context can be interpreted as your ability/skill in leading an enriched life. Activity programs are available through which you can learn the ability/skill that people originally possessed and traditional wisdom for living that have long been practiced.

Various events will also be planned towards the next Reborn-Art Festival at Momonoura Village as a main base during the festival welcoming your visits and ongoing participation.

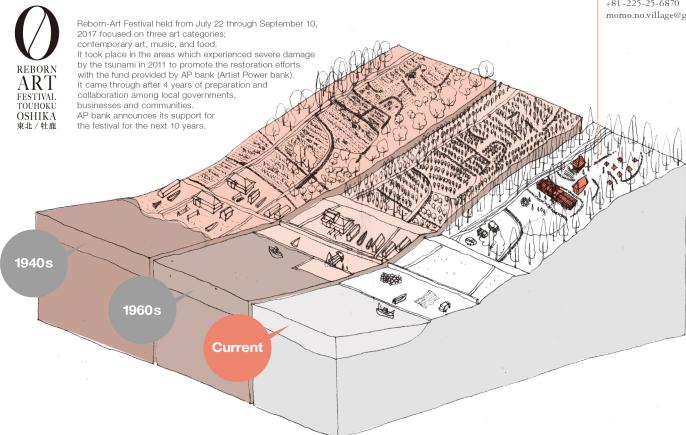


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Momonoura suffered the devastating damage by the tsunami when Great East Japan earthquake hit the area. In an effort to revive the disrupted community, volunteer residents who remained in the village and Associate Prof. Kaijima's lab at University of Tsukuba (which was one of the main bodies of Archi+Aid organized to provide the damaged communities with supports by architects) formed a

How it started

committee to work on restoration and started Oshika Fisherman's School in 2013. It hoped that some people would be interested in fishery in the village and would consider being involved in such activities locally there. Through several courses and classes put into place since the establishment of the school, the committee deepened the understanding on how people have lived in the small fishing

village and came to realize the importance as a regional resource of the Satoyama; livinghood of mountain as well as its rich sea.

On Sanriku coast where Momonoura is located, people developed their community residing on a scattered narrow flat land due to its topographical

Momonoura Village focused on the skirt of the Satoyama where

the flat lands still remain and started the project to re-establish a sustainable community place utilizing those flat lands that were used as terraced fields in the past. In 2016, AP bank (Artist Power bank) then working on Reborn-Art Festival in the same region came to recognize and sympathize with the picture that the committee had envisioned. and started collaboration with the committee to advance the project.