



除夜の鐘 JOYA NO KANE (New Year's Eve Bell)

*At midnight on December 31, most Buddhist temples all over Japan ring their bells 108 times to welcome the new year and sweep away the devil aspects of the old.

Temple	Access from Kyoto Sta.	Notice
知恩院 Chion-in Temple Tel: 075-531-2111	Bus #206 (D2) to "Chion-in-mae " 知恩院前 bus stop	On Dec 31, 22:40~ : 17 monks will ring the bell 108 times. The gate will be open from 20:30 and you can see the year-end event. (It is not possible to ring the bell by yourself) < On Dec.27, from 14:00, you can see their rehearsals.> *One of the most famous temple bells in Japan. Height 3.3 meter, diameter 2.8 meter, weight 70 tons
永観堂 Eikando Temple Tel: 075-761-0007	Bus #5 (A1) to "Nanzenji Eikando-michi"南禅寺 永観堂道 bus stop	On Dec 31, people who join the queue from 23:00 to 24:30 can ring the bell. The gate close at 24:30.
高台寺 Kodaiji Temple Tel: 075-561-9966	Bus #206 (D2) to " Higashiyama Yasui " 東山安井 bus stop	On Dec. 31, at 22:00, 108 numbered tickets will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. People start to ring the bell from 23:45.
百万遍知恩寺 Chionji Temple Tel: 075-781-9171	Bus #206 (D2) to "Hyakumanben " 百万遍 bus stop	On Dec. 31, at 22:45, Nenju (Giant prayer beads) ceremony is held in the temple mail hall and from 23:45, participants can ring the bell
智積院 Chishakuin Temple Tel: 075-541-5361	Bus #206 or 208 (D2) to "Higashiyama Nanajo" 東山七条 " bus stop	On Dec 31 after the Fire ritual (from 23:30), monks ring the bell (23:45) then people in line can ring the bell (First come, first-served basis) until 0:40.
誓願寺 Seiganji Temple Tel: 075-221-0958	Bus # 4, 7 or 205 (A2) to "Shijo Kawaramachi " 四条河原町 bus stop	On Dec 31 from 23:00 numbered tickets are distributed. A group of 3-4 people can ring the bell (108 groups limited)
壬生寺 Mibudera Temple Tel: 075-841-3381	Bus #26 (D-3) or 28 (C-6) to "Mibudera-michi " 壬生寺道 bus stop	On Dec 31 from 23:30, a group of 10 people can ring the bell (108 groups limited)

*Information is subject to change without notice.