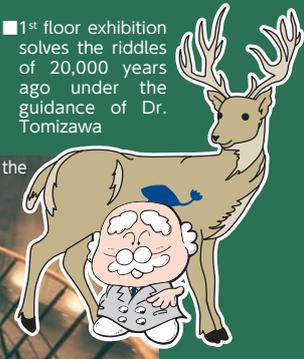




Tomizawa Site Museum Sendai City, Japan

The one and only of its kind in the world—Revival of the world in the Glacial Period 20,000 years ago

■1st floor exhibition solves the riddles of 20,000 years ago under the guidance of Dr. Tomizawa



■Basement floor exhibition shows the unearthed site 20,000 years ago



■Outdoor exhibition recreates the glacial forest

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●Kurile larch



●Pygmy water lily

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Outline of the institution

- Plottage: About 14,000m²
- Building: Two floors ferro-concrete structure
- Floorage: 1,196m²
- Total floor area: 2,743m²
- Opened: Nov. 2, 1996.

Museum guide

- Open hours: from 9:00 am to 4:45 pm (Please enter by 4:15 pm.)
- Closed: Mondays (next day when this falls on a national holiday)

The day after a national holiday (unless this falls on a Saturday or Sunday)

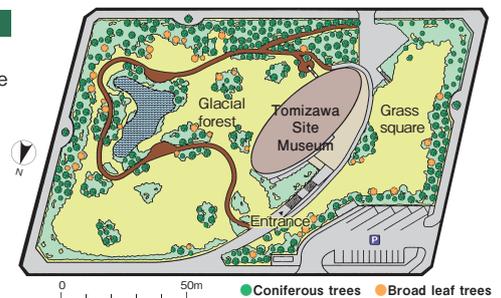
Every fourth Thursday of the month (except national holidays)

Year-end and New Year holidays (Dec. 28-Jan. 4)

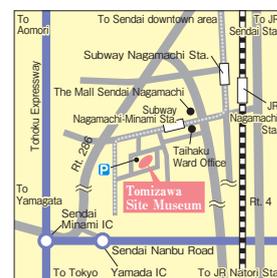
- Admission fees (A group discount applies to 30 or more people)

Classification	Individual	Group	Common admission ticket
Adults	¥400	¥320	¥450
Senior high school students	¥200	¥160	¥250
Elementary and junior high school students	¥100	¥80	¥150

※Common admission ticket: You can visit both this museum and the Sendai City Jomon Site Park with this discount ticket.



●Coniferous trees ●Broad leaf trees



Access:

- About 5 minutes on foot to the west from the West No. 1/No. 2 Exit of Subway Nagamachi Minami Sta.
- About 5 minutes on foot to the west from Nagamachi Minami-eki/Taihaku Kuyakusho-mae Bus Stop
- About 20 minutes on foot to the west from JR Nagamachi Sta.
- About 7 km to the east from Tohoku Expressway Sendai Minami IC.

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View of the site

Found are the remains of swamp woods mainly consisting of coniferous trees and a Paleolithic people's camp site.



Revival of the glacial forest

Scenery very similar to the Tomizawa glacial forest is on the wall screen.



Revival of days 20,000 years ago

Paleolithic people's activities in Tomizawa are dramatized in the movie.



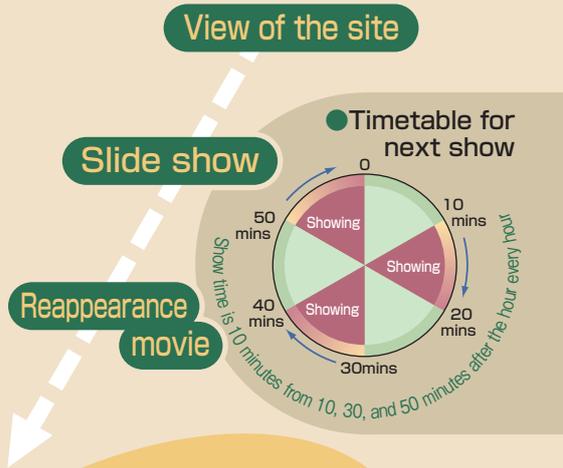
Dr. Tomizawa

Permanent Exhibition 1

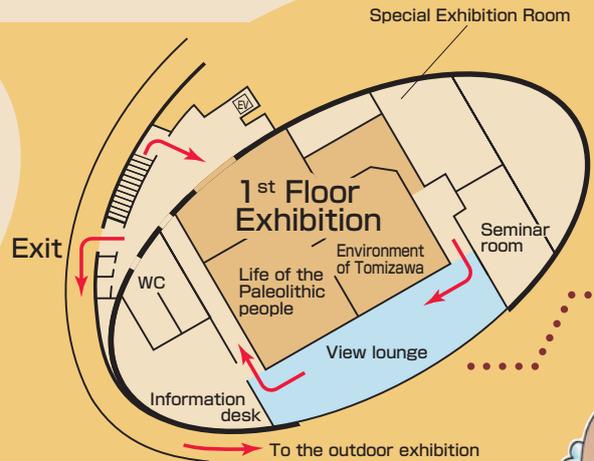
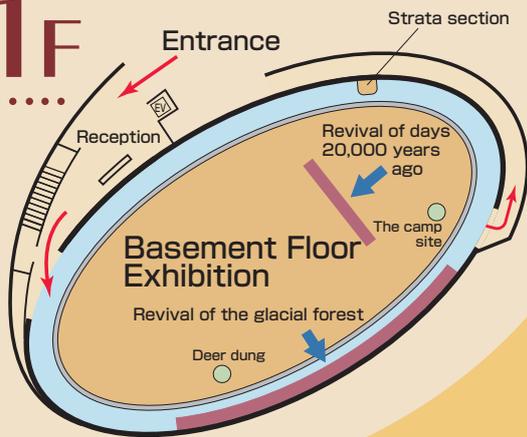
Revival of 20,000 years ago

The site is open to the public as it was when excavated, and the movie shows the atmosphere in those days.

It was 20,000 years ago during the Glacial Period. The annual mean temperature was 7-8 °C below that of the present. In the Tomizawa swamp forest which mainly consisted of coniferous trees, such as spruce, Kurile larch, and fir, it seems that deer sometimes came. One late afternoon, several Paleolithic people came to the site. They looked like they were on their way to hunt, and chose slightly raised ground. They sat around the open fire and repaired their spears and ate supper. Spending the night camping, the next morning they left the site and continued hunting.



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Permanent Exhibition 2

Solve the riddles of the days 20,000 years ago

Dr. Tomizawa explains the findings from the excavation, while he solves the riddles.

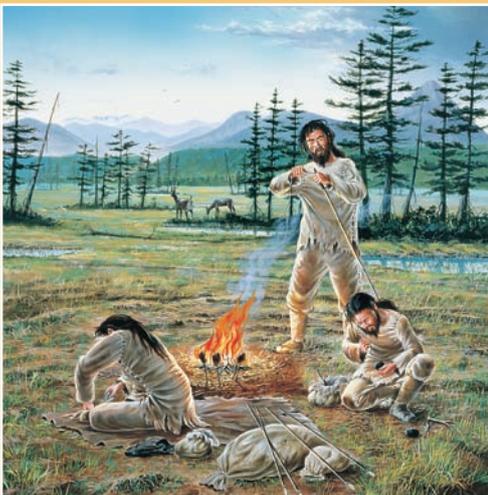


Image of the Tomizawa Site (by the 30th excavation)



Life of the Paleolithic people



Environment of Tomizawa

The Tomizawa Site Museum is a theme museum focusing on the Paleolithic Age. Preserving the surface of the ruins of the Paleolithic Age 20,000 years ago on the site, which was unearthed from the Tomizawa Site, the museum vividly revives the environment and human activities of those days.