

### **Hieizan Enryaku-ji Temple** (Otsu city, Shiga prefecture)

We will visit the renovation sites of Konpon Chudo of Hieizan Enryaku-ji Temple which was designated as a National Treasure and its corridor which was designated as an Important Cultural Property. Both of them are undergoing renovations from 2016 for about ten years. Hieizan Enryaku-ji Temple, with its sprawling ground across Mt. Hieizan, is the head temple of the Tendai sect of Buddhism opened in the eighth century. The grounds extend to 1,700 hectares of the towering cedar trees covered mountainside, and it was a major site for training that housed 3,000 monks at the peak of its glory. With a long, fascinating history and rich nature, it was registered as a World Cultural Heritage site in 1994 and as a Japan Heritage site in 2015.

Notes: We will visit the renovation sites, so please come in the clothes and shoes that are comfortable to move around in.

### **Shogunzuka Seiryuden** (Kyoto city, Kyoto prefecture)

The Shogunzuka Mound is located on the eastern mountains of Kyoto where is said to that Emperor Kanmu ultimately built the ancient capital city in the late eighth century. The Shogunzuka is known for its observation decks which offer spectacular views out over Kyoto city below. The Seiryuden temple hall stands next to the Shogunzuka. In the Seiryuden, there is a large, newly established wooden stage made of Japanese cypress that total area of 1,046m<sup>2</sup>. Also, there is a traditional Japanese landscape garden with Japanese maple and cherry trees that display brilliant shades of red, yellow and orange in autumn and pink cherry blossoms in spring respectively next to the Shogunzuka.

### **Hokan-ji Temple** (Kyoto city, Kyoto prefecture)

This is a landmark in the Higashiyama, one of the most well-preserved historic areas of Kyoto. It is officially called "Hokan-ji Temple" but commonly known as the "Yasaka Pagoda". The five-storied pagoda, which has been designated as an Important Cultural Property, is a pure Japanese style building of 5 floors, each with a sloping tiled roof. It is 46 meters high and conveys the architectural style of the late seventh century AD. On this tour, we will also specially visit the place, where is usually only authorized persons can enter, to see it closer.

### **LIV.co.Ltd.** (Muko city, Kyoto prefecture)

Five-story wooden commercial building. ●Building area : 284.57m<sup>2</sup> ●Total floor area : 1063.62m<sup>2</sup>

Office/shared work space/rent space

- The western Japan's first large scale wooden commercial building.
- Using local timber in building structure as the environmentally conscious.
- The first to second stories have a RC structure and the third to fifth stories have 2x4 wooden structure.
- One of the key words is "Wood is stronger than steel."
- Through this building, the owner would like to show "the advantages of wooden house and local timber."