

**To mark the 1st anniversary of -GEAR- East Version,
we will hold a special event and sell event-limited items!**

December 22nd (Saturday) is the first anniversary of the premier of -GEAR- East Version, a non-verbal performance produced by Laox Co., Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as “we”), a rare long run for a play in a small theater.

We made it free for children 12 years old or younger to see the -GEAR- East Version during the summer and reduced the admission fee to just ¥1,000 for seniors 60 years old and above during the autumn. As a result, the popularity of the show is steadily increasing with people of all ages as a new family entertainment destination in Chiba.

To mark the first anniversary, we will show in the lobby video messages from all cast members and sell special goods both for a limited period of time. (* Please check the official HP for details.)

We will further improve the show by reflecting the audience opinions to grow into a theater truly loved by locals.

【Messages to celebrate the 1st anniversary】

Toshihito Kumagai, Chiba Mayor

I would like to offer my deepest congratulations on the first anniversary of the premier of -GEAR- East Version. I believe the show has deeply moved so many people thanks to sincere efforts by all those involved, including Laox Co., Ltd., and highly respect their accomplishment. It is greatly appreciated that the show is continuing as Chiba city has been taking active measures to expand opportunities for its citizens to appreciate excellent art.

I truly hope for -GEAR- East Version’s continued success.

Naruse Eimi (a groupmate of Fujisaki Ayane, a Doll performer, in the idol group Dempagumi.inc.)

Congratulations on the first anniversary of -GEAR- East Version! I went to see this show to see the performance of my Dempagumi.Inc. groupmate Fujisaki Ayane and I was blown away! Everything on the stage was completely new and dazzling!! Above all, the arm and leg movement of Ayane’s Doll was simply beautiful and lovely! I want to see the show once more. Again, congratulations!

Satake Uki (a groupmate of Murata Hirona, a Doll performer, in the idol group 9nine)

Congratulations on the first anniversary! I especially love how the show uses light! The show touches the heart of everyone, man and woman, young and adult, or even a foreigner who doesn’t understand a single word of Japanese.

Hirona’s performance, which is like nothing you see on our group 9nine’s stage, is also a must-see ♡.

I definitely want to see it again!

Rika Mayama (a groupmate of Yasumoto Ayaka, a Doll performer, in the idol group Shiritsuiebisuchugaku)

Congratulations on the first anniversary!

Yasumoto, the MC of Shiritsuebiisuchugaku, giving non-verbal performance! Everyone loves when Yasumoto acts like Doll in our greenroom! I hope someday all Shiritsuebisuchugaku members can go to see the show and “feel” Yasumoto’s Doll!

■ Show’s profile

-GEAR- is a non-verbal performance, a first in Japan, a first in the world. Light, sound, and human performance all work together to tell a heart-tugging story. Not a single word is uttered, which means anyone can “feel” the show, including children and foreigners who don’t understand Japanese at all. The long run of -GEAR- started in Kyoto, and entered its seventh year in April 2018. In December 2017 -GEAR- branched out to the Kanto region as -GEAR- East Version, which is about to celebrate its first anniversary.

【Story】

In an old, forsaken toy factory, humanoids continue to work, even though all humans have left. Enter Doll, which was once “produced” at this factory. Thanks to their innate analytical function and Doll’s mysterious power, humanoids start to show amazing abilities. Meanwhile, Doll gains humanity, little by little, through play with the androids. Sadly, the happiness doesn’t last long. One thing leads to another and the factory goes out of control. And…

■ Performance information

Venue: Chiba Port Theater 5F: 1-35, Tonyacho, Chuo-ku, Chiba-shi,

Performance Schedule: Every Friday 13:00 / 18:00

Every Saturday/Sunday 12:00 / 17:00

National Holidays (Starting from Jan. 2019) 12:00 / 17:00

Admission Fees: for adults ¥4,200 / for college & vocational school students ¥3,700 /

for junior & senior high school students ¥3,200 / for children from 4 to 12 years old ¥ 2,200

(All above are advance ticket prices. Prices for tickets purchased at the door: add ¥500 to each category.)

* Every 1st&3rd Saturday’s 12:00 show is for kids. No admission fee for children 3 years old and younger.

■ -GEAR- East Version Official HP&SNS

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