



# Lake Biwa Great Fireworks Festival 2025

Date **Fri, August 8th, 2025**

Time **7:30PM – 8:30PM**

**\* Held in light rain / Canceled in case of severe weather \***

Venue **Lake Biwa, Otsu port**

## “Let’s Go! Shiga & Lake Biwa — Brilliant Fireworks Over the Water”

A Once-a-Year Spectacle in the Night Sky over Lake Biwa

This summer, set out for a night of unforgettable beauty— an emotional stage of light and sound that paints the skies over Lake Biwa. In connection with Shiga’s tourism campaign “Let’s Go! Shiga & Lake Biwa,” themed around the concept of *Shigarhythm*, this special evening invites you to experience the unique sights, tastes, and cultural experience of Shiga.

Witness the one-of-a-kind brilliance of fireworks over the lake and create lasting memories under the stars. Whether it’s your first time or you’re a local, your heart is sure to be moved again and again. Let the magic of Shiga unfold across the night sky.

### Fireworks Program

<b>Prologue</b>	A single firework soars 120 meters into the night sky above Lake Biwa, marking the launch site and the beginning of the show.
<b>Opening</b>	Breaking the silence, the first fireworks burst into the sky. Enjoy the exciting start of a night filled with wonder.
<b>Scene 1.</b> “The Grandeur of Nature, Echoed by Lake Biwa”	Enjoy the breathtaking harmony of lights reflected on the water and sounds echoing through the surrounding mountains—an experience that brings you closer to the power and beauty of nature.
<b>Scene 2.</b> “A Cultural Treasure Trove of the Warring States”	Shiga is home to many stories from Japan’s samurai era. This segment brings those dramatic battles to life through powerful bursts of light and sound.
<b>Scene 3.</b> “A Feast of Omi’s Flavors”	Omi beef—one of Japan’s top three wagyu brands—along with lake fish, local sake, and Omi rice are among Shiga’s finest specialties. This colorful fireworks display celebrates these local delights in a feast for the eyes.
<b>Scene 4.</b> “Festivals of Tradition and Innovation”	Feel the rhythm of Shiga’s time-honored festivals blend with cutting-edge lights and sounds. It’s a one-of-a-kind moment where the old and the new come together in harmony.
<b>Special Feature</b> “Mother Lake ~ Echoes Through Time with Lake Biwa”	Lake Biwa has long nurtured life and nature in Shiga. This special display is a tribute to the “Mother Lake” and its blessings.
<b>Grand Finale</b> “A Golden and Silver Waterfall Across the Sky”	The spectacular finale features rapid-fire fireworks over the lake’s surface— A breathtaking climax to an unforgettable night.

Hosted by: Lake Biwa Great Fireworks Festival Executive Committee (Shiga Prefecture, Otsu City, Biwako Visitors Bureau, Biwako Otsu Tourism Association, Biwako Broadcasting Co.,Ltd., The Kyoto Shimbun, Otsu Community Association, Otsu Chamber of Commerce and Industry)