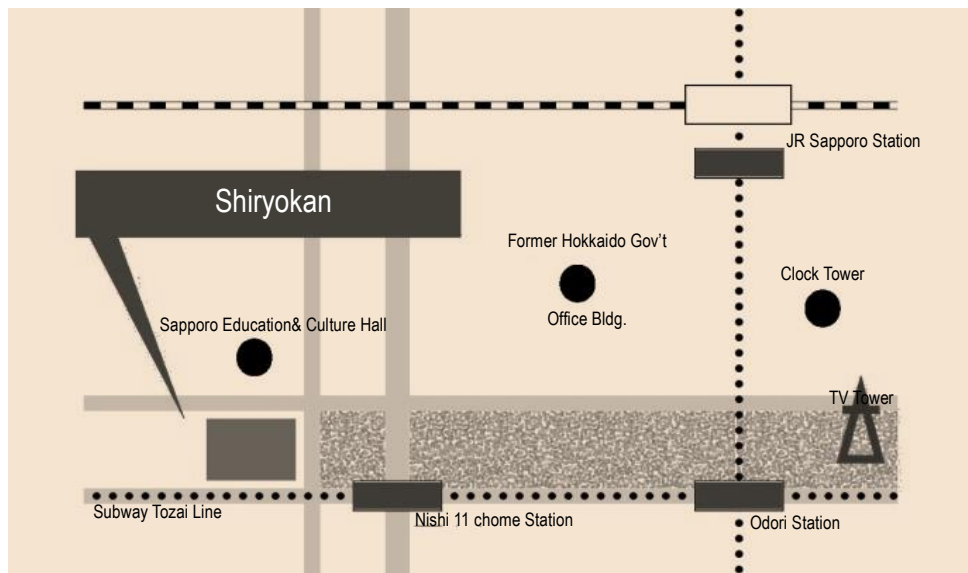


◆◆◆ Service ◆◆◆

- Hours: 9:00 – 19:00
- Closed: Mondays (the following weekday if a national holiday falls on a Monday) and 12/29 – 1/3
- Free Admission

◆◆◆ Access ◆◆◆

- Subway: 5-min walk from Nishi 11-chome Subway Station on the Tozai Line, Exit #1
- Streetcar: 6-min walk from Chuo kuyakusho mae or Nishi 15 chome
- JR Bus & Chuo Bus: 2-min walk from Kita 1-jo Nishi 12-chome
- Taxi: 10-min from JR Sapporo Station



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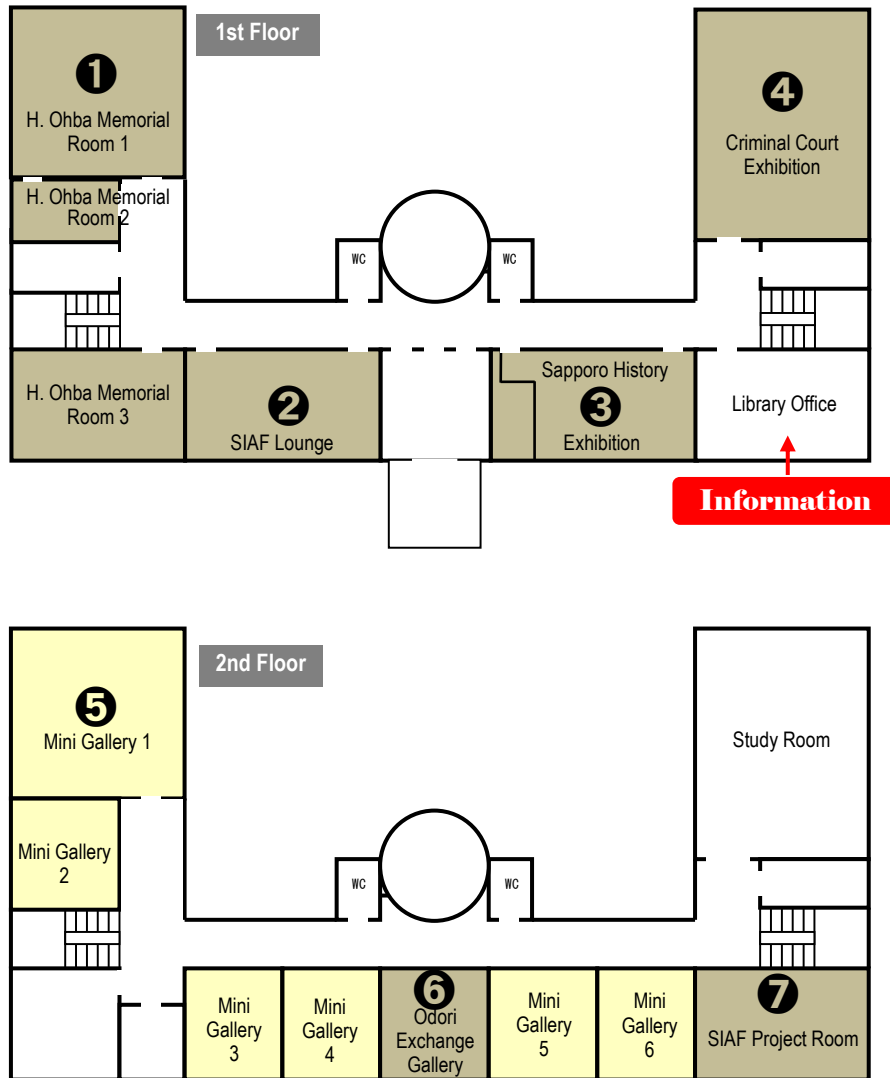


Originally constructed to house the Sapporo Court of Appeals in 1926 and later home to the Sapporo High Court, this soft stone structure is an important national asset.

The terrace features a statue of the head of a blindfolded goddess with scales supported on both sides by swords while the rear wall features carvings of two mirrors. The goddess symbolizes law, the scales impartiality, the swords justice and the mirrors truth. The entire sculpture represents the fundamental principles of authority and impartiality of law.

This historical building was reborn as Shiryokan, the Former Sapporo Court of Appeals in 1973. At first, the Court exhibited documents and other items related to the 1972 Sapporo Winter Olympics. Currently, it features a restored court from the building's Court of Appeals era and exhibition rooms introducing the history of Sapporo. It also houses an information space for the Sapporo International Art Festival (SIAF) as well as rooms to commemorate the painter and manga artist Hiroshi Ohba, who hails from Sapporo.

Layout



- ❶ H. Ohba Memorial Room**
Displays works of the painter and manga artist, Hiroshi Ohba (1921 – 1988), who hails from Sapporo. His heartwarming style has drawn many fans.
- ❷ SIAF Lounge**
A space geared towards the hosting of the next Sapporo International Art Festival (SIAF), which was last held in 2017. Here visitors may enjoy looking through books and information materials relating to SIAF.
- ❸ Sapporo History Exhibition**
Collection of materials introducing Sapporo's history, culture, nature and more.
- ❹ Criminal Court Exhibition**
Reenacts the original criminal court with restored chairs, tables and other items based on diagram from the building's Court of Appeals era. Mock trial sessions conducted periodically.
- ❺ Mini Gallery**
Galleries for rent. Utilized by citizens and others to present artworks, etc.
- ❻ Odori Exchange Gallery**
Originally a reception room from the Court of Appeals era currently an observation gallery with a lovely view of Odori Park below.
- ❼ SIAF Project Room**
Space used for SIAF-related workshops and events.