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## Come and enter the world of the movie *Sakura Guardian in the North*.

The film *Sakura Guardian in the North*, starring Sayuri Yoshinaga, features this area as it was around 1945. This area was used as a shooting location for the film, and much of the decoration and design used in the film have been preserved for display here. Be sure to stop by the Wakkanai Animal Park across the way, which is home to performing dogs that appeared in the movie *Hoshi Mamoru Inu* and the TV series *Nankyoku Tairiku*.

### CHECK!

#### Dobutsu Fureai Land Petting Zoo

Open 11:00–16:00 from Apr. 29 to Sept. 30  
(from 10:00 on Sat., Sun. and national holidays)  
Tel. (0162)26-2565



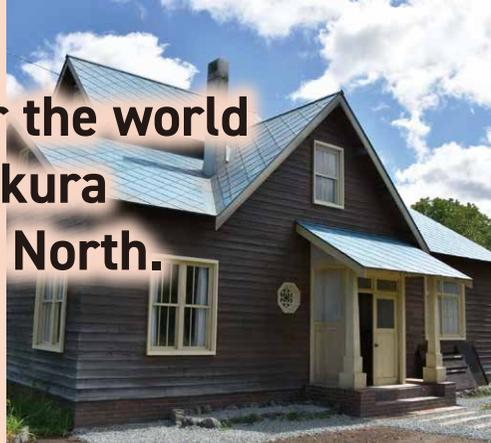
#### ■ Kitano Sakuramori Film Museum (Kita no Sakuramori Park)

Open 10:00–17:00 from Apr. 29 to Oct. 31  
\* Closed Mondays (the following day on public holidays)  
Tel. (0162)23-6468

#### ACCESS

- Approx. 30 min by car from JR Wakkanai Sta.
- Approx. 15-min. walk from Wakkanai Airport.

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## Touch the northernmost railway line in Japan, which passes through Wakkanai Station.

The railway line that passes through JR Wakkanai Station to the station-front plaza. At the end of the line is a yellow buffer stop.

This is actually a monument to the Northernmost Railway Line in Japan, and the playful spirit will surely raise a smile.

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## Watch and Count the swans at the Onuma Birdwatching Observatory.

In spring and autumn, thousands of swans can be seen covering the surface of Onuma Marsh. On some days, as many as 4,000 birds fly in. In winter, it may also be possible to see designated natural monuments such as white-tailed eagles and Stellar's sea eagles.

#### ■ Onuma Birdwatching Observatory (Onuma Bird House)

Open Jan. 29–Nov. 25; closed Mar 1–24  
9:00~17:00 Tel. (0162)26-2965

#### ACCESS

- Approx. 20 min by car from JR Wakkanai Sta.
- Approx. 15-min. walk from the "Onumakoen Iriguchi" bus stop, which is approx. 40 min. by bus (Koetoi route) from JR Wakkanai Sta.

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#### ■ Wakkanai Station

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- Within JR Wakkanai Station grounds
- Approx. 25 min. by car from Wakkanai airport.

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