

## SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL 2015 has started! Actress Tomoko Tabata and actor Sugi-chan appeared at the Opening Gala Screening of “Children of Iron” about family ties and growing up.

The 12th edition of SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL (sponsored by Saitama Prefecture, Kawaguchi City, SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL Committee, and others), which was launched in 2004 for the purpose of discovering and nurturing new talents, opened today, July 18 (Sat). The Opening Ceremony welcomed the juries and film guests from all over the world to start the nine day festival.

Children of Iron, which was produced by the SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL, had its world premiere and its cast members, Tomoko Tabata, Jyonmyon Pe, Sugi-chan, Taishi Sato, Mau and Director Koki Fukuyama attended the screening. The location of the film is Kawaguchi City, and the film depicts family ties.

SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL 2015 is held at SKIP City in Kawaguchi City and others, Saitama from July 18 (Sat) to July 26 (Sun) for 9 days. In total, 38 competition films will be screened including 12 Feature Lengths, 12 Shorts and 14 Animations. The awards will be announced on the last day, July 26. Related events, Special Screenings, SKIP City Summer Festival will also be featured throughout the Festival. We hope you will introduce our festival to your audiences and readers.

### Opening Gala “Children of Iron”

<STORY>

Rikutarō and Mariko are forced to bind family ties as brother and sister by a recent remarriage of their parents. Their classmates poke fun at them and they decide to devise a plan to split up their parents. The plan somehow seems to bring their parents closer together instead of driving away from each other.

2015/Japan/74 min./HDCAM SR

Cast: Tomoko Tabata, Taishi Sato, Mau, Jyonmyon Pe, Sugi-chan

Director: Koki Fukuyama/Screenwriters: Kaori Moriyama, Koki Fukuyama

Presentation of Saitama Prefecture / SKIP CITY Sai-no-Kuni Visual Plaza

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### SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL 2015 (The 12th Edition)

- Date: Saturday, July 18 – Sunday, July 26, 2015 (9 days)
- Venue: SKIP City (Audio Visual Hall / Convention Hall), Kounosu Cinema, Sainokuni Saitama Arts Theater
- Organizers: Saitama Prefecture, Kawaguchi City, SKIP CITY INTERNATIONAL D-Cinema FESTIVAL Committee, Saitama Audio-Visual Volunteers
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