

Japan's May 2026: Anime Premieres, Music Festivals & Golden Week Celebrations

Japanese Entertainment · Answer Key · 19 Questions

1. Which highly anticipated anime special is set to premiere globally on May 2, 2026, on Crunchyroll and Hulu?

- A) Jujutsu Kaisen Season 2
- B) One Piece: Whole Cake Island part 4
- C) My Hero Academia Special**
- D) Detective Conan Season 3

2. What is the name of the major music festival taking place in Tokyo and Osaka in May 2026, known for its stadium-scale energy?

- A) Fuji Rock Festival
- B) Summer Sonic
- C) METROCK**
- D) Greenroom Festival

3. The period from late April to early May in Japan, characterized by numerous national holidays and increased travel, is known as:

- A) Silver Week
- B) Cherry Blossom Season
- C) Golden Week**
- D) Obon Festival

4. Which of these anime series is scheduled for a May 1, 2026 release on Netflix?

- A) Devil May Cry Season 2
- B) Assassination Classroom Season 1**
- C) Shangri-La Frontier Season 1
- D) Dorohedoro Season 2

5. The Aoi Matsuri, one of Kyoto's major festivals featuring a parade in Heian-era attire, traditionally takes place in which month?

- A) April
- B) June
- C) May**
- D) July

6. Which music festival, known for blending music and nature, is held annually at Naeba Ski Resort in Niigata?

- A) Viva La Rock
- B) Japan Jam
- C) METROCK Osaka
- D) Fuji Rock Festival**

7. In May 2026, what major K-pop festival is scheduled to kick off in Japan, celebrating Korean music, beauty, and food?

- A) KCON Japan**
- B) Summer Sonic
- C) Ultra Japan
- D) Rainbow Disco Club

8. Which popular anime, featuring students tasked with eliminating a world-ending threat, has its first season confirmed for a May 1, 2026 release on Netflix?

- A) My Hero Academia
- B) Jujutsu Kaisen
- C) Assassination Classroom**
- D) Demon Slayer

9. What traditional festival, known for its nighttime mikoshi processions and atmospheric rituals, is held annually at Okunitama Shrine in Fuchu, Tokyo?

- A) Sanja Matsuri
- B) Tonami Tulip Fair
- C) Kurayami Matsuri**
- D) Meiji Shrine Spring Festival

10. The 'The Star Festival' is a music festival featuring electronic and hip-hop artists that will take place in May 2026 in which Japanese prefecture?

- A) Tokyo
- B) Osaka
- C) Kyoto**
- D) Chiba

11. What annual event at Tokyo DisneySea in May 2026 features a wide range of limited-time gourmet items across the park?

- A) Halloween Festival
- B) Christmas Fantasy
- C) Food & Wine Festival**
- D) Spring Blossom Celebration

12. Which anime convention, the largest celebration of Japanese pop culture in North America, is scheduled for July 2-5, 2026?

- A) Anime Central
- B) Anime NYC
- C) Anime Expo**
- D) Crunchyroll Expo

13. The 'Hanazono Shrine Reitaisai' is a notable festival held in Tokyo in May 2026. On which date is the main festival observed?

- A) May 15
- B) May 23**
- C) May 3
- D) May 5

14. Which of the following anime series is confirmed to have a second season released on Netflix in May 2026?

- A) One Piece
- B) My Hero Academia
- C) Devil May Cry**
- D) Jujutsu Kaisen

15. What is the nickname given to Osaka due to its renowned food culture, which is a significant aspect of its pop culture?

- A) The Land of Sushi
- B) The Kitchen of the Nation**
- C) The Samurai City
- D) The Manga Metropolis

16. The 'Greenroom Festival,' featuring artists like Ella Mai and Jon Batiste, is scheduled to take place in May 2026 in which Japanese city?

- A) Tokyo
- B) Yokohama**
- C) Osaka
- D) Kyoto

17. In May 2026, traditional performances such as Noh and Kyogen will be staged at which significant shrine in Tokyo as part of its Spring Grand Festival?

- A) Senso-ji Temple
- B) Fushimi Inari Shrine
- C) Meiji Shrine**
- D) Kinkaku-ji Temple

18. What type of anime film, blending digital-themed adventure with psychological and light horror elements, is being highlighted as an original film for May 2026?

A) Cosmic Princess Kaguya

B) Mononoke

C) Spirited Away

D) Your Name

19. The 'Sanja Matsuri,' a lively festival with parades and street vendors, is a major annual May festival held at which Tokyo temple?

A) Zojo-ji Temple

B) Senso-ji Temple

C) Kiyomizu-dera Temple

D) Toshogu Shrine