The Nara Palace Site Museum started the annual fall exhibition "Treasures from Underground in 2009" to provide a chance for its visitors to see original mokkan—ancient wooden tablets with inscriptions—that are rarely put on display because of their delicate condition. This year, to commemorate the start of the Heian era that came with the ascension of the new emperor of Japan to the throne, we present mokkan that have inscriptions of ancient regnal years. We hope that through this exhibition, our visitors will be intrigued to learn more about both mokkan and regnal years.

The exhibition runs from 11/12 Tue to 11/24 Sun.