Kawazu is often used as a filming location for movies and soap operas. The short story, "The Izu Dancer" which was authored by the first Japanese Nobel Prize winner, Yasunari Kawabata has been dramatized in 6 movies in Japan. It is a story about an early love between a young male student and one of the traveling dance performers. The Yugano area in Kawazu was used as a filming location for the movie.