CLAIMS

1. An image processing system comprising:

a plurality of iris image pick-up means disposed at mutually different positions in ~~the~~a same field of view;

overall image pick-up means for performing image pick-up over a wider field of view than ~~the~~a field of view of the iris image pick-up means;

guiding means for guiding a subject;

illumination means for illuminating the subject with light; and

control means for controlling, using an image from the overall image pick-up means, at least one of reading out an image from the plurality of iris image pick-up means, presenting at least one of an image and a sound through the guiding means, or providing illumination with light from the illumination means, wherein

the control means further predicts a period in which the subject will blink next and a period in which the subject will pass through a focusing point of the iris image pick-up means, and in a case where the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point, the control means controls at least one of the guiding means or the iris image pick-up means such that the focusing point and a position where the subject will blink next are different.

2. The image processing system according to Claim 1, wherein

the control means controls the guiding means such that the subject does not blink at the focusing point in the case where the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point.

3. The image processing system according to Claim 1, wherein

the control means controls the iris image pick-up means such that the focusing point is a position other than the position of the subject in the period in which the subject will blink next in the case where the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point.

4. The image processing system according to Claim 2 or 3, wherein

the control means predicts the period in which the subject will blink next on a basis of a last time the subject blinked, a blink interval time, and a blink duration.

5. The image processing system according to any one of Claims 2 to 4, wherein

the control means predicts the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point on a basis of a position and a movement speed of the subject.

6. An image processing apparatus comprising:

control means for predicting a period in which a moving subject will blink next and a period in which the subject will pass through a focusing point of iris image pick-up means for performing image pick-up of an iris of the subject, and in a case where the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point, controlling guiding means for guiding the subject such that the subject does not blink at the focusing point.

7. The image processing apparatus according to Claim 6, wherein

the control means controls the guiding means to cause the subject to blink in the case where the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point.

8. An image processing apparatus comprising:

control means for predicting a period in which a moving subject will blink next and a period in which the subject will pass through a focusing point of iris image pick-up means for performing image pick-up of an iris of the subject, and in a case where the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point, controlling the iris image pick-up means such that the focusing point is a position other than the position of the subject in the period in which the subject will blink next.

9. An image processing method comprising:

predicting a period in which a moving subject will blink next;

predicting a period in which the subject will pass through a focusing point of iris image pick-up means for performing image pick-up of an iris of the subject;

determining whether or not the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point; and

performing, in a case of determining that the periods overlap, at least one of guiding the subject or controlling the iris image pick-up means such that the focusing point and a position where the subject will blink next are different.

10. A computer readable medium storing a program causing a computer to execute a process comprising:

predicting a period in which a moving subject will blink next;

predicting a period in which the subject will pass through a focusing point of iris image pick-up means for performing image pick-up of an iris of the subject;

determining whether or not the period in which the subject will blink next overlaps with the period in which the subject will pass through the focusing point; and

performing, in a case of determining that the periods overlap, at least one of guiding the subject or controlling the iris image pick-up means such that the focusing point and a position where the subject will blink next are different.