



Ikenobo Ikebana Society of America
San Francisco Headquarters
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Newsletter
July, 2015

Texas Chapter: 50th Anniversary Celebration

MAY 28 & 29, 2015

The Ikenobo Ikebana Society of Texas celebrated its 50th Anniversary with 45th Generation Headmaster Sen'ei Ikenobo. Despite complications due to bad weather, Sen'ei Ikenobo gave an outstanding lecture creating various Shofutai and Shimputai arrangements.



In honor of the many cultural and artistic contributions Sen'ei Ikenobo has made to the City of Houston, the Mayor of Houston proclaimed May 28, 2015 as Sen'ei Ikenobo Day.



Coming Up! Symposia 2015

September 27 & 28

San Gabriel 5th Anniversary Special Workshop
Headmaster will attend demonstration.

October 16

Hawaii Honolulu Chapter
35th Anniversary Special Workshop
Demonstration by Headmaster Designate Yuki Ikenobo
New Free Style Curriculum will be introduced.

Sen'ei Ikenobo would like to express his warm appreciation to each member for assisting in developing the long tradition of Ikenobo ikebana. In addition, he would especially like to ask the next generation of members to renew their ikebana study efforts and in sharing the beauty and spirit of Ikenobo with others.



Professor Shinobu Akino and Taichi Inoue, demonstrated the Reishiki-ike Tsuru & Kame (crane and turtle) to more than 100 members and guests in attendance at the event.



Watsonville: Celebrating 100 Years

June 14, 2015

Ikenobo members from the Watsonville Area and the Ikenobo Ikebana Society of Northern California celebrated the 100th birthday of Mrs. Suiun Matano, who holds the highest Ikenobo rank, Jyu-Karo-ho. Participants were very happy to celebrate with her.



▲ Mrs. Matano

An exhibition and demonstration, led by visiting professor Taichi Inoue, was held in her honor. Dr. Kenichiro Mogi, a noted scientist, has stated that Ikebana helps you live long and keeps your brain young.



Reno Study Group: 1st Year Celebration

May 21, 2015

The Reno Study celebrated their first year anniversary with an exhibition and demonstration by visiting Professor Taichi Inoue.



Special Workshop: Suna no Mono

June 27 & 28, 2015

A special workshop focusing on Suna no Mono was held in San Francisco in beautiful Golden Gate Park. Instruction was provided by Ikenobo Ikebana Society of America's Managing Director Nobu Kurashige. More than 60 members participated in this auspicious event.

Because the mechanics are very important in arranging this style of rikka, participants needed to pay close attention to the exacting ancient techniques being demonstrated. Sawing, drilling, and hammering to make the base structures made this an unusually loud, but fun workshop.

Japan Study Tour

October 29 to November 8, 2015

This year's tour comes at the perfect time to visit and enjoy the beautiful autumn season in Japan as well as the Tanabata Exhibition at Headquarters. At the Official Banquet Dinner you will be able to catch up with the former North American Visiting Professors and enjoy meeting many Japanese Ikenobo Members.

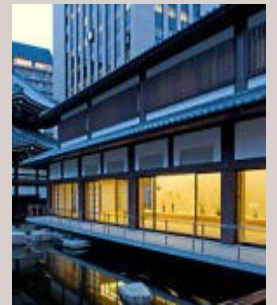
Various classes at different student levels will be available to attend including introduction to the New Rikka Curriculum.

WORKSHOP I:

Oct. 31 (Sat) to Nov. 3 (Tue)
Kyoto Headquarters

WORKSHOP II:

Nov. 6 (Fri) to 8 (Sun)
Ikenobo Junior College



SPECIAL BANQUET DINNER:

With Headmaster & Visiting Professors
Nov. 13 (Fri.) at 6:30 PM, Rihga Royal Hotel

To register for the Tour, please contact Nippon Express Travel USA, Ikenobo Japan Tour Desk, Max Kogure. TEL 415-434-4060 FAX 415-986-4780
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Hard at work creating base structure.



The structure holding the *dobuku* and *komiwara* in an antique bronze Ikenobo *sunabachi*.



Attaching branches to make the proper *yakeda* angles.



Mrs. Kurashige's traditional arrangement of *ki* materials.



Modern arrangement of *kusa* materials.

Textbook and Vase for New Curricula



Freestyle Curriculum
Students' Kenzan Set \$90
Students' Book \$25
Teachers' Book \$35

New Rikka Curriculum
Students' Vase Kenzan Set \$145
Students' Book \$35
Teachers' Book \$35

These textbooks and vases are available for certified Rikka / Freestyle curriculum teachers with special member status.

New Book by Sen'ei Ikenobo



新風体総論 池坊専永

Soron is Headmaster Ikenobo's most recent work. It focuses on Rikka Shimputai, including both theory and pictures and costs \$15.