

**Illinois Prairie Chapter
Ikenobo Ikebana Society of America
April 2008**



The Arranger

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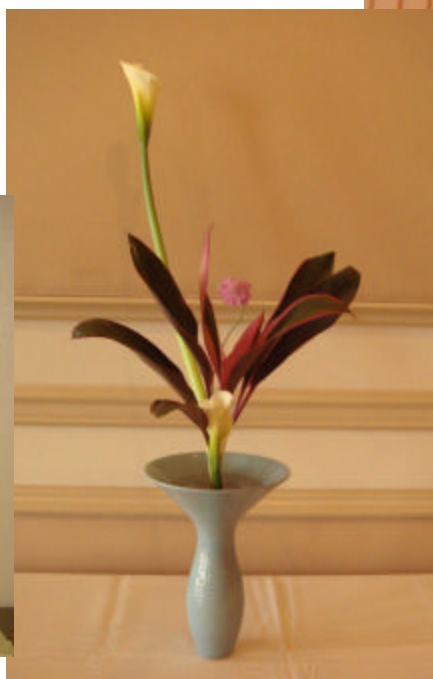
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It's been a long winter in the midwest and sometimes you just have to go south to get a taste of the sun and a promise of spring. Betty Lankford and Jeanne Holy did just that by visiting fellow member Maribeth Price at her beautiful home in Arizona . The timing was perfect to take advantage of Special Visiting Professor workshops by Senior Professor Midori Katoh. Illinois Prairie Chapter will be hosting workshops by the Professor May 1st – 3rd.

Visiting Senior Professor Midori Katoh



Split Shimputai Rikka arranged by the Professor during her demonstration at the Paradise Valley Country Club.

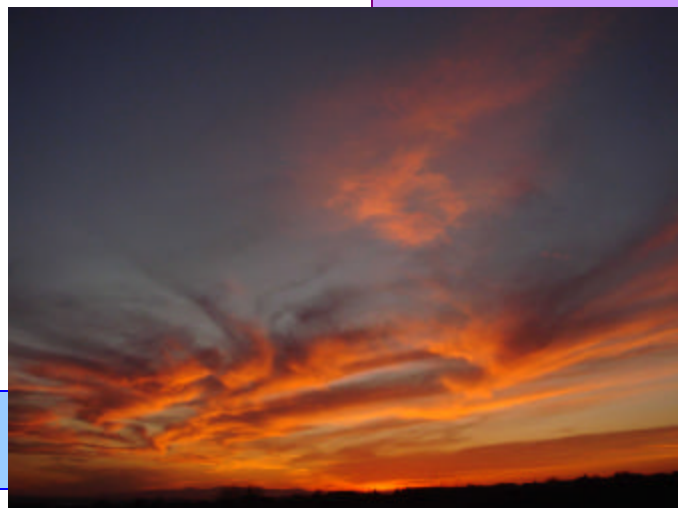


- 2008 Spring/Summer Calendar**
- April 5:** Shimputai Shoka
 - April 11-13:** Petals and Paintings Exhibition
 - April 12:** Japan House Open House
 - May 1-3:** Workshops with Visiting Senior Professor Midori Katoh
 - 1:** Welcome reception
 - 2:** Rikka
 - 3:** Freestyle
 - June 7:** Shoka Sanshuike
 - July 12:** Freestyle

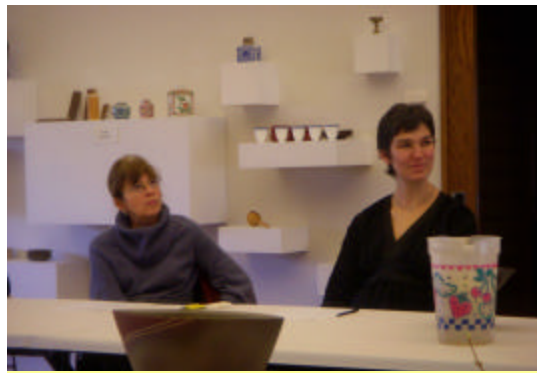
Arrangers clockwise – Jeanne Holy (rikka), Professor Katoh (shimputai hoka), Betty Lankford (rikka), and Maribeth Price (suitai moribana)



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Arizona Sunset



shoka nishuike by Kimiko Gunji



Jane Mangrum and her daughter-in-law enjoy Gunji Sensei's lecture

Winter Workshops 2008



shoka isshuike by Jeanne Holy

At the February nishuike workshop members experienced a taste of spring using forsythia branches that had been forced to bloom inside. The branches were cut in early January and left in water in an attached garage. About 1 1/2 weeks before the workshop the branches were brought inside the house to begin to bloom. A guest bathroom with a tub and no guests is a very

convenient place to leave the buckets of branches. If the branches are not beginning to bloom a few days before you want to use them, periodically replace the water with hot water to speed up the process. Many branches will bloom like this, making it possible to have flowering branches, even in winter.

March 1st Robin Dodson and Jeanne Holy presented an introductory Ikenobo Ikebana workshop at Parkland Community College, as part of the Live and Learn program. In the morning, moribana, a naturalistic freestyle, was introduced, and in the afternoon a more design like freestyle was presented. Participants received the book Introduction to Ikenobo Ikebana, Moribana Nageire and Freestyle, as well as a moribana and freestyle container, kenzan, and enough flowers to take home two arrangements. Hopefully they were inspired to arrange on their own in the future.



moribana by Jeanne Holy
star magnolia, tulip, daffodil, babies breath



Sue Cramer enjoys arranging moribana



freestyle by Robin Dodson
sunflower, wax flower, corkscrew willow, peace lily

We have a New Address

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Special Visiting Professor Midori Katoh - May 1st - 3rd - Schedule

Welcome Reception

Thursday: May 1st, 6:30 p.m – 8:00 p.m., for the Professor at the home of member and architect Al Marx (or as he describes it "work in al's progress"), located at 210 east Mumford Drive, Urbana. Spirits, and hor'dourves will be served. Guests are welcome.

Rikka workshop

Friday: May 2nd, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Professor Katoh will demonstrate shofutai rikka and then show how to use the same materials for shimputai rikka. All materials will be provided, but you are welcome to bring, use and share other materials. Advanced members may opt to arrange a variation or shimputai rikka. Please bring everything you need to arrange rikka. Some ashi (stem) kenzans, tape, wire, and gravel will be available for purchase. Lunch (12 – 1) is on your own or optionally provided by the chapter. South lot parking meters require feeding on Friday @ 75cents per hour. ☺

Freestyle workshop

Saturday: May 3rd, 9:30a.m. – 3:00 p.m.:
A unique freestyle workshop with all materials provided. A relief style arrangement will be the focus of this workshop so you will be constructing your own container to arrange in. Please bring wire, tape, scissors, and pliers. Lunch (12-1) is on your own or optionally provided by the chapter. South lot parking is free on Saturday. ☺

All workshops will be held at Japan House.

Questions? Contact Jeanne Holy at 217-637-5221 or email her at jholy@shout.net

Please return forms, checks and written correspondence to:

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May 1st – 3rd, 2008 Special Workshops and Events Reservation Form

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Welcome Reception: # attending | <input type="checkbox"/> x \$5 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Both workshops (Friday and Saturday) | \$95 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friday Rikka workshop only | \$55 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Freestyle workshop only | \$55 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch on Friday | \$8 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lunch on Saturday | \$8 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Observe only, either or both days | \$10 | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Late fee (postmarked after April 21 th , 2008) | \$10 | _____ |

Total Enclosed: _____