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Etsuko Tatsuzawa and Gunji Sensei with 2009 hatsuiké
pine, forsythia, bamboo, winterberry, azalea, euonymus, crysanthemum



Happy and healthy 2009!!!

Each new year gives us the opportunity to renew our appreciation of nature and enjoy arranging ikebana. Sometimes it can be challenging to find inspiration and materials in harsh winter climates. On a walk in early January one can feel the quiet promise of new green sleeping under the snow and see the remnants of the past in the willows and crab apples. An abundance of already cut and free pine trees wait to be dragged off by ikebana enthusiasts... or the city's recycling truck. There are plenty of branches to be forced, evergreens to be trimmed, and a cornucopia of blooming bulbs at the local big box store. Hatsuiké – the first arranging of the new year – was a sunamono rikka arranged by Kimiko Gunji, Jeanne Holy, and Estuko Tatsuzawa.



Above: Shofutai Rikka inspired by winter scenes, arranged by Jeanne Holy
weeping willow, winterberry, juniper, narcissus, boxwood, euonymus, pine, crysanthemum
Right: Shimputai Rikka by Kimiko Gunji



“Happy Birthday Sensei” cake

To the members of the Prairie Ikenobo Ikebana:

Time certainly flies away and it is already at the end of January 2009. I hope all of you have started your New Year on a happy note and you are ready for many new activities.

This is also a belated thank you to many who sent me my birthday wishes and those who came to our October workshop and celebrated my birthday with me. It is such a warm feeling to know that so many of you care about me, for which I am very grateful. THANK YOU!

*I wish you all a happy and prosperous year,
With the warmest regards,*

Kimiko Gunji



Virgie Young

Joan Volkmann

Congratulations to the following members who received certificates in 2008.

Fay Audiffred,
Katherine Kinser,
Sandra Michelau,
Cheryl Pettus,
Mary Siedenburg,
Kathleen Zanotti,
Nancy Bank Allen,
Rose Hill,
Kyoko Maund,
Joan Volkmann,
Al Marx,

Lynette Nisbet,
Bruce Barr
Anna Hulting,
Virgie Young,



Kyoko Maund

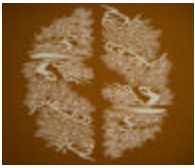


Jane Mangrum,
Aurora S. Villacorta,
Maribeth Price,
Jeanne Holy,
and Betty Lankford



Lynette (Pattv) Nisbet





2009 Calendars have been mailed to all out-of-town members. Resident members may pick up their calendar at Japan House. Membership renewal applications are included with this newsletter and must be returned by March 1st. Any

late submissions can not be sent to San Francisco headquarters, so be sure to get yours in on time. You don't want to miss out on the annual Ikenobo *Hana no Arakaruto* magazine and beautiful 2010 calendars. The first six workshops of 2009 will be a study of Shoka. There will be no workshop in August but we will have a great fall start with Special Visiting Professor workshops September 12th and 13th.

2009 Prairie Ikebana Workshops

- Feb 7 ~ shoka betsuden
- Mar 7 ~ shoka shimputai and annual meeting
- Apr 11 ~ shoka issuike/nishuike
- May 16 ~ shoka sanshuike
- June 20 ~ shoka futakabuike
- July 18 ~ shoka henkakei
- Aug (no workshop)
- Sept 12 / 13 Special Visiting Professor workshops
- Oct-Dec (dates to be announced)



Shoka Shimputai

L toR Top Jan Troutt, Helen Zhang

Bottom left Mary Siedenburg, bottom right Jeanne Holy



FALL WORKSHOPS

Nishuike by Erin Libman





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**Arrangements clockwise
Gyodo ike by Estuko Tatsuzawa
Freestyle by Jane Mangrum
Rikka Isshiki by Jeanne Holy
Freestyle by Uma Ravat
Freestyle by Kimiko Gunji
Rikka Isshiki by Aurora Villacorta**



Illinois Prairie Chapter Winter / Spring 2009 Workshop Reservation Forms

All workshops will be held at Japan House. Questions? Contact Jeanne Holy at 217-637-5221 or email to jholy@shout.net. Please return forms, checks and written correspondence to:
Illinois Prairie Chapter, PO Box 12024, Champaign, IL 61826-2024

February 7, 2009 - **Shoka Betsuden** (Reservations due by Feb.5, 2009)

Name: _____

() Member : \$15 () Guest : \$25

9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Floral materials will be provided. Please bring a shoka style container, gravel and an ashi kenzan

March 7, 2009 **Shoka Shimputai** and Annual Meeting (Reservations due by March 5, 2009)

Name: _____

() Member: \$10 () Guest: \$25

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (note special starting time)

Please provide your own floral materials for this workshop, a shoka style container and kenzan.
(some line materials may be provided)

April 11, 2009– **Shoka Isshuike/Nishuike** (Reservations due by April 6, 2009)

Name: _____

() Member: \$15 () Guest: \$25

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Please provide your own floral materials for this workshop. Bring a shoka style container and an appropriate kenzan.

Illinois Prairie Chapter 2009 Annual Membership / Mailing list Application

Name: _____ Ikenobo Rank: _____

Street Address: _____

City State ZIP: _____

Phone No : _____ Email: _____

Check all that apply

() Regular Member : \$44	or	() Teacher Member :\$49	\$ _____
() Printed Newsletter: \$15	and/or	() Email Newsletter: free	\$ _____
() 70+ Regular Member \$25	or	() Teacher Member :\$30	\$ _____
		total enclosed	\$ _____

Membership must be received by 3/1/09 in order to receive 2010 calendar and *Hana no Arukaruto*.