

NEWSLETTER IKEBANA INTERNATIONAL ASHEVILLE CHAPTER
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Dear Ikebana International Members,

Welcome to spring....a little cold for my taste, but soooooon it will warm up. Thank you all for attendance last month. Again, I apologize for not being able to attend, at the last minute. For those of you who did not attend, I fell on the Monday night before the meeting (my car was packed) and it turned out that I did not break any ribs, just bruised a few and my shoulder was fine. No more falls, I promise.

Thank you to Norma Bradley and Frieda Probat for their Ichiyo designs, to Sayo Harris and Mary Ellen Sheridan for their Ikenobo designs and to Karen LaFleur-Stewart for her Ohara designs. This month's program will be wonderful. Regards to all, Susan Cano

March 27, 2018 – Shoka Shimputai using houseplants + workshop

In spite of recent snow flurries, spring has finally begun! Please join us Tuesday as Laura Felt and Emiko Suzuki, of the *Ikenobo School*, as they share the concept of '*beauty of simplicity*' by demonstrating Shoka Shimputai using houseplants in the early spring season. A workshop led by Emiko Suzuki will follow our business meeting for members who have already signed up. Be sure to bring a bag lunch if you are staying.



Upcoming Program – April 24, 2018 Cultural Program – Bonsai!

Join us in April when Peggy Snow presents our Japanese Cultural Program and will share her love of Bonsai with our membership. Bonsai is a living form of art that demands both knowledge of horticulture and an artistic eye. Peggy Snow has been studying bonsai since 1991 and will show us some of the techniques and principles of good bonsai design. She will bring some of her bonsai trees that are in different stages of development, so that we may see for ourselves the steps to creating a show worthy tree. Peggy is the President of the Blue Ridge Bonsai Society and her work has been shown at the NC Bonsai Expo, the Governor's Mansion in Annapolis, Maryland, and at the National Arboretum Spring Bonsai Show in Washington, DC.



ART IN BLOOM

There will be an Art in Bloom at the Greenville, SC Museum the weekend of April 21-22, 2018. Several of our members will participate.

The Flat Rock Art in Bloom is usually in May. I do not have the date yet.

The Art in Bloom in Black Mountain is usually in June. I do not yet have that date either.