

## NEWSLETTER IKEBANA INTERNATIONAL ASHEVILLE CHAPTER #74

May 22, 2018

Dear Ikebana International Members,  
Peggy and Tom Snow gave us such a gift...so much information about bonsai that I certainly did not know before now. It was worth the wait to have this wonderful culture program in April instead of February when many of the branches would have been bare. Thank you so much!

**From Sue Grier, Program Chairperson**

**May 22, 2018 – Spring Showers Bring May Flowers**

Officially founded in 1912 in the Osaka-Kobe area by First Headmaster Unshin Ohara (1861 – 1916), the Ohara School focuses on expressing the beauty of the natural scenery. Its basic philosophy is to observe nature well and emphasize the seasonal qualities, growth process, and the beauty of the natural environments.

Diane Harker of the Ohara School will present a program titled *Spring Showers Bring May Flowers*. Please join us and see how the Ohara School views spring!



At this month's meeting we will vote for the next Board of elected officers. First, I want to thank our Nominating Committee for an excellent slate of officers for the next year. Terri Todd, the Chairman, Jane Jones and Emiko Suzuki put together a very dynamic group to manage our chapter.

Nominations are allowed from the floor providing the person to be nominated agrees. In that case instead of accepting the slate proposed, we will have a vote. The installation will take place at the June meeting after which the new officers will begin their terms.

The proposed slate is: President – Lynn Forbes  
1st Vice-President – Sue Grier – Program (second  
year of two-year term)  
2nd Vice-President - Roberta Smith - Membership  
3rd Vice-President – Carol Stangler – Exhibition  
Recording Secretary – Frieda Probst (second year of  
two- year term)  
Corresponding Secretary – Norma Bradley (second  
year of two-year term)  
Treasurer – Diane Harker (first year of third/fourth  
term)  
Historian – Jane Irwin

**From Lynn Forbes, Exhibition Chairperson:**

Art in Bloom Flat Rock on Memorial Day weekend (open May 26, 27 and 28, 2018) at Flat Rock Gallery is a great event to enjoy. The Gallery is open 10 to 5 each day. Main Street Hendersonville also hosts a garden festival that same weekend.

The Gallery at Flat Rock is at 2702 A Greenville Highway. Exit 53 off Interstate 26 is upward road. Go on that until you cannot go straight any more then turn left. That is Greenville highway(also called Route 25). After the first traffic light but before the second one turn left into a group of buildings. The gallery is at the far end toward the left.

Art in Bloom at Black Mountain Center for the Arts, June 14,15,16 is a wonderful event to attend.

The preview party, Thursday, June 14th, kicks off the weekend with an incredible floral display by eleven of our Ikebana International members, as well as, eleven floral designers who were invited to participate interpreting art from a dozen local galleries.

Be the first to view the display by attending the preview party and dinner on Thursday evening. Cost: \$50.00. Viewing also on Friday and Saturday from 10-2 each day for \$5.00. Tickets may be purchased in advance for the Preview Party online thru the Black Mountain Center for the Arts.

Southern Highlands Craft Guild – July 20-22, 2018 (12 Arrangements)

If you are an instructor or above in your Ikebana studies be prepared to sign up for the upcoming Southern Highland Guild Fair Exhibition July 27,28,29. Set up is on Thursday July 26. Breakdown is on the 29th. We need floral arrangers as well as docents to sign up to assist. This is a fun opportunity for all and great exposure for Ikebana International.

North Carolina Arboretum Exhibition – October 13-14, 2018

Demonstration: Saturday, October 13, 2018, 11:00 a.m. Susan Cano, Riji of the Sogetsu School will present “Autumn Colors”

We hope to see you at these upcoming events so mark your calendars!

**From Diane Harker, Treasurer:**

We are collecting dues for the coming year. We must have all dues collected by the Tuesday, June 26, 2018 meeting. Regular membership is \$75.00 and Associate membership (regular member in another chapter) is \$25.00.

**Please pay your dues at the meeting or send a check, made out to Ikebana International Asheville Chapter #74, to Diane Harker, 4 Foggy Ridge Road, Travelers Rest, SC 29690**

**Upcoming Program – June 26, 2018.**

*Presenting Emotions Using Ikebana + Friendship Through Flowers workshop*

*Sogetsu* – Susan Cano will present a program demonstrating how emotions can be expressed with Ikebana arrangements. Afterwards, at the Friendship through Flowers Workshop, members and guests will create arrangements exploring this concept.

*‘Just as painters create immortal pieces with their brushes, ikebana artists use nature’s palette to express themselves. **Ikebana Inspired by Emotions** demonstrates the eloquence of ikebana and its power to capture and transfer emotions.’*

From Patti Hill, webmaster:

If you have reached the instructor level in your ikebana studies, please check the website under Our Ikebana Teachers page and let me know if you are NOT listed. I need to make sure that we have a complete instructor list

on the website. Also, if you are accepting new students, you need to have a red asterisk next to your name with your contact info.

Thank you for reading this newsletter.

Regards,

Susan Cano