## PAST EVENTS

#### ANNUAL EXHIBITION @ PARAGON (MAIN ATRIUM)

This year's exhibition, with the theme, 'Colours of Spring', was held at the main atrium of The Paragon from 13th to 22nd May. Over 200 people attended the grand opening, which also attracted many curious observers from the throngs of passing shoppers.

Guests gathered as we unveiled 48 exhibits created by our members as well as the President of I.I. Johor Bahru Chapter. The 10-day exhibition of beautiful and artistic creations in spring colours was a wonderful way to reach out to the public. To create a greater understanding of the art of Ikebana, we held three Ikebana demonstrations -Bernard Tay, Veronica Tan and Josephine Chia, using vases by Lalique, fascinated the audience with their presentations.

It was a very successful exhibition and it created greater public awareness.













#### ELECTION MEETING AND LUNCH

The Election Day was held on 25 May at the historic Alkaff Mansion, where members and guests got together to welcome Mrs Peggy Loh and her new team for another year of service to the Chapter.

Three demonstrators from the Sogetsu School - Angela Kek, Anna Kwan and Chua Lee Hong, presented 9 beautiful arrangements incorporating the theme "Memories" to charm the crowd.

The pleasant afternoon concluded with a fun quiz and a sumptuous lunch.











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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My Dear Members

With time passing by so swiftly, a new term is fast approaching. I am truly honoured to serve you as President of I.I. Singapore Chapter for a second successive year. It is with your love for Ikebana and friendship, your steadfast support and active involvement. I hope, will continue to make our Chapter grow in the years to come.

I would also like to express my heartfelt appreciation for your warm support and cooperation at the Election Meeting held at the historic Alkaff Mansion on 25 May. I am pleased that our newly elected Board members have volunteered to serve on the Committee in the coming year. The keen support we received was exemplified by the efforts of our three demonstrators from the Sogetsu School - Angela Kek, Anna Kwan and Chua Lee Hong - who presented beautiful creations of various styles to



charm the crowd. Members returned home filled with sweet and nostalgic memories of yesteryear.

I was deeply saddened by the news of the Kumamoto earthquake in April. On behalf of the Singapore Chapter, I would like to express our deepest sympathies to the victims and their families affected by this tragedy. Our thoughts and prayers are with them.

On a happier note, the grand opening of our Chapter's annual exhibition themed "Colours of Spring" at The Paragon (13-22 May 2016), took place on 13 May. This exhibition was held in conjunction with celebrating 50 years of diplomatic relations between Singapore and Japan SJ50. The evening was graced by H.E. Mr Kenji Shinoda together with other distinguished guests. The Exhibition also supported the NUHS Fund (National University Health System) and had helped to raise more than \$12,000 for the needy cancer patients from the National University Hospital, Singapore.

This July, our Chapter will be holding its 47th Birthday celebration, which will be hosted by our Patron, H.E. Mr Kenji Shinoda and Mrs Yuko Shinoda at their residence. We wish to express our appreciation for their hospitality.

The next important event is the upcoming AGM on 21st September which will mark a new milestone for the Chapter Board. Our demonstrators, Mrs Kaina Rogers and Mrs Momoko Emmott will mesmerize you with their creations. Please invite your friends to join us.

Last but not least, on behalf of my Committee, I wish all our Muslim members, their families and friends, "SELAMAT HARI RAYA AIDIL FITRI"

To all members and Singaporeans, "HAPPY NATIONAL DAY"

In Friendship through Flowers Peggy Loh



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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### I.I. 47th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS AT JAPAN AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE

(For members – limited to 50 pax)

: A Celebration of Flowers Theme

Demonstrator : Dr Leonard Lim

: July 26th 2016, Tuesday Date : 11.00 a.m. to 2 p.m. Time

: Ambassador of Japan's Residence Venue

5 Tyersall Rd, Singapore 257679

: Floral Mod Dress Code

This year, I.I. is honoured to hold its 47th Birthday Bash at the residence of our Patron, the Ambassador of Japan. Dr Leonard Lim, an Ikenobo master, will delight and impress you with his demonstration of elegant Ikenobo arrangements. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

#### A PERANAKAN AFTERNOON WITH IKEBANA

(Floral demonstration, the art of wearing sarong kebaya & high tea)

Demonstrator : Angela Kek

: August 17th 2016, Wednesday Date

: 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. Time

Venue : 30 Ridley Park, Singapore 248497

: Peranakan Inspired Dress Code

Price : Members SGD 40. / Non-members SGD 50.

A Peranakan-themed High Tea gathering is scheduled to be held at the home of Grace Saw, who was an active member in the early years with I.I. Singapore Chapter. Angela Kek will showcase her Ikebana arrangements using Peranakan vases from Grace's collection of Peranakan antiques. Baba Raymond Wong will demonstrate the art of wearing the sarong kebaya. To round off the festivities, a mouthwatering spread of Peranakan dishes will make it an unforgettable afternoon. Only limited slots available, please book early.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND LUNCH

: Autumn Splendor Theme

Demonstrators : Kaina Rogers & Momoko Emmott : September 21st 2016, Wednesday Date

: 11.30 am -3.00 pm Time

: Shisen Hanten @ Mandarin Orchard Venue

: Members SGD 80. / Non-members SGD 90. Price

Dress code : Autumn Chic

Reservations for all I.I. Singapore Chapter events: Contact Hospitality: Veronica Low @ 9734 8852/veron.low@gmail.com or Adelin Tang @9799 0184/adelintangl@gmail.com

Payment: Cheque to be crossed and made payable to "Ikebana International Singapore Chapter 135" and mailed to Ms Veronica Low, 50 Hume Avenue, #06-01, Singapore 596229.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

October 5th 2016, Wednesday : Newcomers' Lunch

: Ikebana at Jewelfest@ Ngee Ann City October 6th – 11th 2016 November 16th 2016, Wednesday: Sisley Workshop and High Tea

November 30th 2016, Wednesday: Christmas Lunch

18th January 2017, Wednesday : Chinese New Year Lunch

More details will be made available at a later date.

#### **OUR DEMONSTRATORS**

Dr Leonard Lim is a dental surgeon in private practice. He began his



Ikenobo studies in 1989. He was appointed the Founding President of Ikenobo Ikebana Society Singapore Chapter in 1993 and has remained the President to date. Dr Lim shared his passion of Ikenobo Ikebana by giving demonstrations, workshops and exhibited in Singapore and Overseas.



Angela Kek is the Vice President of Ikebana International S'pore Chapter and has participated in many events hosted by the Chapter. She started Ikebana as a hobby and is a holder of Sankyu Shihan Teacher's Diploma from Sogetsu School.

Kaina Rogers studied Kouzan-Ryu Ikebana in Tokyo for many years and received the highest rank diectly from the 3rd Iemoto (School Head). She is also a member of the Urasenke tea school and seeks to integrate the common principles of the arts of tea, flower arrangement and other traditions to her daily life as well as the lessons to share with her students.





Momoko Emmott started learning Ikebana in the Ryusei-ha Headmaster's class in 1992. She is a qualified Ryusei-ha free style master and received a 'Best Newcomer' award in 1997 from Ryusei-ha school, for being among the best newly qualified masters out of all of Japan.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS - OTHER I.I. EVENTS

#### OHARA SCHOOL OF IKEBANA SINGAPORE CHAPTER Demonstration cum Workshop on "Furoshiki"

The Japanese art of wrapping using cloth for various items.

Cloth material provided.

Date: July 27 2016, Wednesday

Time: 2.00 pm -4.30 pm (Registrations starts at 1.30 pm)

Venue: 37 Mount Sinai Rise, #02-01 Leighwoods, Singapore 276956

Cost: SGD 55 member/SGD 65 non-member

Potluck homemade delicacies with coffee/tea provided

RSVP: 98183737, Daisy Koh, PBM Closing date for registration: 20 July 2016

# IKEBANA INTERNATIONAL 11TH WORLD CONVENTION

"A garland of flowers, A ring of hearts, Encircling the world" **Okinawa Convention Center** 

April 12 - April 15, 2017

Registration is now open on HQ website

http://www.ikebanahq.org/convention/11th/WC2017\_brochure.pdf

#### SINGAPORE SOGETSU'S 50 GOLDEN YEARS CELEBRATION

Sept 28 - Oct 9, 2016

Sept 28: Advanced Floral Workshop by Iemoto Akane Teshigahara Sept 30: Dinner & Demonstration by Iemoto Akane Teshigahara Sept 28 - Oct 9: Exhibition @ Takashimaya Shopping Centre For further details and reservations contact Organising Chairperson

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# MEMBERSHIP AND FRIENDSHIP

#### MEET OUR NEW COMMITTE



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#### A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

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### WELCOME TO H.E. MR KENJI SHINODA AND MRS YUKO SHINODA



YAO Mei C.

It is our great honour to welcome Ambassador H.E. Mr Kenji Shinoda as our Patron and Mrs Yuko Shinoda as our honorary member of the Singapore Chapter.

#### **CONDOLENCES**

Our heartfelt condolences on behalf of our members to the family of our dear friend, Silvana Sutanto on her sudden demise on 2 June 2016. May her departed soul rest in peace.



The membership year is from 1 July 2016 – 30 June 2017. For information and membership form/renewal, check our website: www.ikebanasingapore.org or contact Membership Assistant, May Yeo @ 96710348 / may.yeo@century99.co.sg

I.I. is run by volunteers. We welcome those who would like to extend a helping hand and be a part of the committee. Please contact our President Peggy Loh ikebanasc135@gmail.com

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