



Southeastern U.S. Ohara Chapter

Newsletter Spring 2016

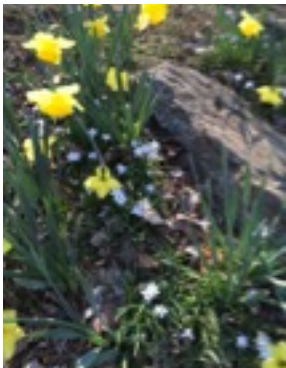
Dear Fellow SEO Members,

Recently I spent some time near Lexington, KY. I have not been there in the spring for many years and it was so beautiful. The mares and foals were running with abandon through the green fields. The trees and flowers were a sight to behold. The Redbuds were in their full glory and of course a few branches came home with me. Nature is so good to us and our Ohara school arrangements showcase this beauty.



Our summer seminar will be here before you know it. Grand Master Betty Fuller Taylor will be our sensei July 21, 22, and 23. Judy Melton is the Seminar Chair and she will be assisted by Diane Harker. Remember seminars are limited to 20 participants so return your registration promptly. The reservation form will be sent sometime in May. This will be another memorable experience for us.

Election of officers for the 2016-2018 period will take place at our annual business meeting in Highlands on July 22, 2016. Nominating Chair, Elizabeth Clark will present her report later in this newsletter.



Our website, seohara.org has been updated; thank you Russ and Sibbie. There is now a section for photos of everyone's Ohara demos and exhibitions. We can share what we are doing to promote our school and let each other see what's going on. Please send your pictures and commentary to me for posting.

I look forward to receiving pictures for our website and seeing you in Highlands in July.

Happy springtime,

Susan H. Thorpe

Members in the News

Letter received from Lynn deVille:

Dear Ms. Thorpe,

I have been notified that you have made a donation to the Town of Highlands Scholarship Fund in Ralph's memory on behalf of the Southeastern Ohara Chapter. I am most grateful to you for your generosity and thoughtfulness. Ralph was always supportive of young people in Highlands, so this gift is not only a generous gesture, but very appropriate.

I am wishing all of you well, and am so appreciative of your friendship

Thank you again,

Best wishes

Lynn deVille

Madam President and Fellow Members:

I would like to take this opportunity as Nominating Chairperson to present the Slate of Officers for the upcoming election on 2016-2018:

President: Susan Thorpe

Vice President: Jane Newman

Secretary: Julia VanHuss

Treasurer: Sibbie Wilson

Advisor: Judy Melton

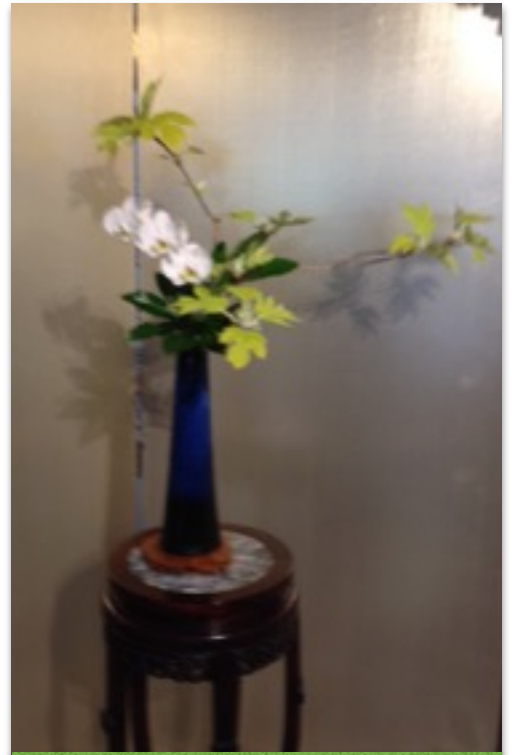
I want to give a big thank you for all those agreeing to help serve as Officers/Board Members to our Chapter in the coming two years. I know we all have very busy schedules and your time is most valuable.

Thank you,

Elizabeth Clark

Ikebana International Washington D.C.

Annual Exhibition
April 1-17, 2016
U. S. National Arboretum



Jane Bell



Betty Taylor



Alice Buch



Betty Taylor



Jane Newman

Seminar News

Southeastern U.S. Ohara Chapter Seminars Schedule for 2016

**Summer Seminar
July 21, 22, 23, 2016
Community Building
Highlands, North Carolina**

Teacher: Grand Master Betty Fuller Taylor

**Autumn Seminar
September 22, 23, 24, 2016
Community Building
Highlands, North Carolina**

Teacher: First Degree Master, Jose Salcedo

Life In Bloom

Jane Bell



While living in Korea, I was first introduced to and began studying ikebana. Unfortunately, it was not our beautiful Ohara, but I was forever enamored with the art.

Many years later, a friend introduced Betty Taylor to me and she has been my sensei ever since. It all started as a little “hobby”. But after my husband passed away and my children left home, I became more involved with Ohara. Trips to Japan were a great incentive to further study. My good friend, the late Mary Ellen Fairbanks, and I began traveling to Highlands for classes with Betty at the Stone Lantern, later for Southeastern Chapter Seminars, and then the first NAOTA Conference in Hawaii. Through ikebana, I have met many wonderful people and have traveled to many great places. A special trip was in 2014 with my son and daughter to Kobe to receive my First Degree Master’s Certificate. I hope to inspire a student or two as Betty has inspired me.



Please note - not everyone appreciates ikebana... I once heard a comment from a guest-----“I never would have thought of bringing a DEAD BRANCH into my house.” She was referring to a prized lichen branch in my Bunjin arrangement.

Jane Bell receiving her First Term Master certificate from Headmaster Hiroki Ohara in May 2014

Upcoming Events & Programs

APRIL 2016

April 5, 2016

Demonstration by Diane Harker
Winston-Salem Ikebana International Chapter
Forsyth Country Club
Contact Carol Cook
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April 1- 17, 2016

Annual Exhibition Washington D.C. Ikebana
International Chapter #1
U.S. National Arboretum
10 - 4 Daily
Ohara School will be represented
www.ikebanainternational.org

MAY 2016

May 20, 2016

Workshop by Jane Bell
Washington D. C. Ohara Chapter
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June 2016

June 7, 2016

Demonstration by Jose Salcedo
Washington D. C. II Chapter #1
Washington Golf & Country Club
Arlington, Virginia
Contact: Elizabeth Berry
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June 9 - 11, 2016

Annual Art in Bloom
Black Mountain Center for the Arts
225 W. State Street
Black Mountain, NC 28711
<http://www.blackmountainarts.org>

June 28, 2016

Demonstration by Sibbie Wilson
"Ikebana...Enduring Simplicity"
Asheville Ikebana International Chapter
Folk Art Center, Asheville, NC
Contact Sue Grier
sue.grier.pottery@gmail.com

JULY 2016

July 21, 22, 23, 2016

Southeastern U. S. Ohara Chapter
Summer Seminar
Highlands, NC
Grand Master Betty Fuller Taylor

AUGUST 2016

August 22 to 26th, 2016

15th NAOTA Conference
Hyatt Regency
Cambridge, Massachusetts
Satsuki Palter
satsuki.palter@verizon.net

SEPTEMBER 2016

September 22, 23, 24, 2016

Southeastern U. S. Ohara Chapter
Autumn Seminar
Highlands, NC
First Degree Master, Jose Salcedo

OCTOBER 2016

Carolina Bonsai Expo
The North Carolina Arboretum
100 Fredrick Law Olmsted Way
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www.ncarboretum.org

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Teaching

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Teaches at home every 2nd and
4th Wednesday of the month
(April thru November)
Available to teach Seminars/
Workshops or demonstration

Ohara Reference Page

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Lagniappe: A little something EXTRA



Ikebana International Washington, D. C., Chapter No. 1 Summer Daze, is the title of our OHARA SCHOOL

SUMMER LUNCHEON

Jose Salcedo presents Summer Daze

Tuesday, June 7, 2016
The Washington Golf and Country Club
Arlington, Virginia.

Mr. Salcedo was born in Los Angeles and spent most of his years in California, studying and working. He has been with NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory since 1984 as a senior software engineer.

How did he become involved in Ikebana? In early 1988, after seeing an Ikenobo demonstration, he had a gut reaction to learn Ikenobo, and began taking lessons. Later that year, he had a similar reaction when seeing an Ohara demonstration – he had to learn Ohara. Thus began his continuous study of both Ikenobo and Ohara. By the mid 1990s, he began teaching both Ikenobo and Ohara, and even now, he teaches weekly classes in each school.



In addition, he has continued his own studies, earning the Ikenobo Diploma: Senior Professor: Saiko-shoku, Junkatoku in 2013, and Ohara Certificate: 1st Term Master in 2015. And, as often as possible, Mr. Salcedo goes to Japan to attend seminars from which he feels he gains much by being “taught rigorously.”

Instead of talking to the plant materials while arranging flowers, Jose constantly listens to them –he hears them telling him whether their positions are right or need adjustment. He is a communicator with the materials he is using.

To kick off your summer days the Ohara-way, join us for lunch and Jose Salcedo's Ohara presentation.

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Ikebana International Washington, D.C., Chapter No. 1
Summer Luncheon, Tuesday, June 7, 2016
Presentation by Jose Salcedo, Ohara School

Date: Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Location: Washington Golf and Country Club, 3017 N. Glebe Road, Arlington, VA 22207

Time: Social Hour: 11:00 a.m.
Luncheon: 11:45 a.m.
Program: 1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$45 for I.I. members, \$50 for guests, \$15 for program only

Menu: Greek Salad, Grilled pork medallions with Szechuan orange glaze, scented rice pilaf, broccolini and pan seared Shiitake mushroom caps, individual fruit tart with berry coulis and mango sauce, coffee or tea. Vegetarian and gluten free options will be available.

Checks must be received no later than June 1, 2016. Cancellations will not be accepted after that date. Seating assignments will be made as checks are received.

DIRECTIONS (: IT IS BEST TO CHECK YOUR FAVORITE GPS):

From D.C. via Route 66: Take Exit 71 West (Glebe Road/Rt. 120). Turn Right on Glebe Rd (North). The Club is approximately 1.5 miles ahead, just past Marymount University.

From Maryland: Cross American Legion Bridge. Take Exit43/44 (G.W. Parkway). Exit onto Chain Bridge Road (Rt. 123 North). At dead end, turn right onto Glebe Rd. The Club is approximately 1.5 miles ahead, just past Marymount University.

From the George Washington Parkway: Exit left onto Spout Run. Turn right on Lorcom Ln. Turn right onto Lee Highway. Merge right onto Old Dominion. Turn right onto Glebe Rd (North). The Club is approximately 1.5 miles ahead, just past Marymount University.

RESERVATION FORM
Summer Luncheon - Tuesday, June 7, 2016

Member(s): \$45 each _____ Guest(s) \$50 each _____ Program only \$15 each _____

Names (Regular Menu): _____

Vegetarian: Names: _____

Gluten-free: Names: _____

Enclosed check(s) for \$ _____

Please make checks payable to: Ikebana International, Chapter No. 1.

Mail check(s) and Reservation Form to: **Ursula Kondo, 11741 Morningmist Lane, Columbia, MD 21044-4352**