

IKENOBO ARIZONA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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Hi Everyone,

I am very excited about this year's program. It will be quite varied and lots of fun.

For our Chapter Day on September 24, Linnéa is going to give a short history of Ikebana. I am going to give a short comment about what to bring to each class and the different containers for Shoka. Then David Payne will be giving a lesson in 3 material Shoka which is always so colorful!

Shoka is the basic style to learn and is very important to Ikenobo. In Japan, the students do an entire year of Shoka before moving on to other arrangements-- that's how important they view it.

Then in October, we are having a guest teacher from Illinois, Jeanne Holy, who has regularly come to our professor workshops. She is well known for being an excellent teacher, especially in free style and Rikka so that is what she will be doing. The free style will be on Saturday, October 15 and the Rikka on Sunday, October 16. She will be bringing some fall material from her yard such as bittersweet, fall leaves, crab apples, etc. That should be great!

Muriel Scrivner from Las Vegas will be returning in January giving two classes, one being Rikka. The professor will be coming in March as usual. The other classes throughout the year will be varied and unusual (such as an arrangement WITHOUT a container).

We look forward to a great year of fun and learning and beautiful flowers! What could be better??

I encourage you to bring some of your friends to Chapter Day to get acquainted with this wonderful hobby and it's free. We will have a great raffle with several arrangements in it. If you win, you can take the entire arrangement home with you--vase, kenzan and flowers). If you bring a friend, you get a free raffle ticket for every new person you bring.

See you in September.
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P.S. Ikenobo Ikebana AZ Chapter is now on Facebook, thanks to Wanda LaLoggia. Just go to this link <http://www.facebook.com/groups/154696914609154/> and request to be added as a friend.

P.P.S. I just heard from Rosa Maria, who was a sensei for us several years ago. She moved to China to open a Mexican Restaurant. However, now she has moved back to Mexico to take care of her ailing father. I don't know if she plans to stay there, but she would love to hear from you. Her email is donsuku@hotmail.com.

SENSEI PROFILE of DAVID PAYNE (Reprinted from our May 2010 newsletter)



On September 14, David Payne will be our sensei for a **Sansuike Shoka**. We thought you might like to know a little more about David. First of all, he's almost an Arizona native. He moved here with his parents at age 5 and began first grade in Phoenix. Phoenix was such a small town back then that even though Dave lived 5 miles south of town (way out on Baseline Road), he

could still hear the bells of St Mary's when he got off the bus after school. Dave's wife, Jackie, is even more of a native. She was born in Glendale. The Paynes have one son who lives in far off Virginia, but is a frequent visitor.

Dave was a commercial florist for many years. His love of flowers led him to begin his Ikenobo studies in 1981 with Winnie Donald and then Muriel Scrivner as his teachers. He has his Sokako teacher's certificate...one of the highest that can be obtained. For ten years, he provided Ikenobo Ikebana arrangements for the Asian section of the Phoenix Art Museum.

At Chapter Day, students will be very fortunate because Dave will be teaching his favorite Ikenobo style...Shoka Shofutai...the traditional form of shoka. If you attend, be prepared to really look at your materials before you start arranging, because Dave's first piece of advice is to think through what you want to do; visualize the placement of your materials before you insert the first stem. Don't work too fast.



SENSEI PROFILE OF JEANNE HOLY

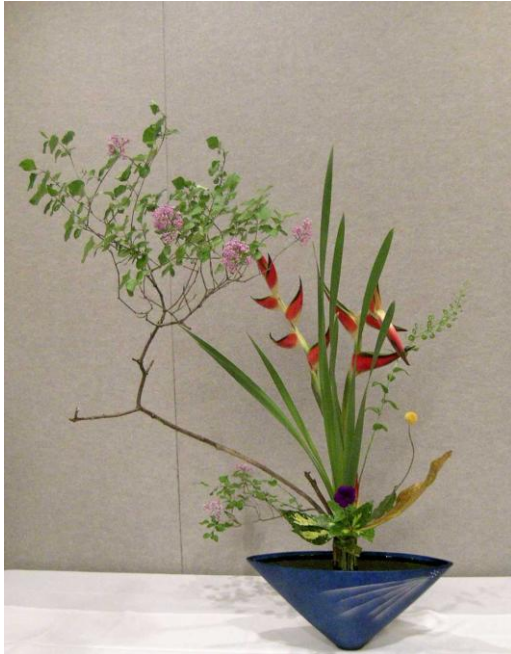
Jeanne Holy lives with her husband, Richard, in Champaign, Illinois. They have three sons. Holy owns Circuit Design, Inc., a consulting business that provides electronic hardware design. Her work gives her the opportunity to pursue her avocation; Ikenobo Ikebana.

Holy has been studying ikebana for over twenty years and holds the degree of "Sokakyo,"-- Professor third grade. She has traveled extensively throughout the United States studying Ikenobo Ikebana with the Special Visiting Professors. She has traveled to Japan three times, attending lessons at the Ikenobo Headquarters in Kyoto.

As part of her pursuit in understanding ikebana she studied the Japanese language for two years. Holy currently teaches at and is vice-president of the Illinois Prairie Chapter of the Ikenobo Ikebana Society of America. She also photographs and writes "The Arranger," the Prairie chapter newsletter, and created and maintains the chapter website: <http://prairieikebana.org/>

"I have been coming to the Special Visiting Professor workshops in Phoenix for 15 years or more. The Arizona chapter is my Ikenobo home away from home. The members have welcomed me like family and I am grateful to have so many sisters (and brother Dave!) in my life. I am looking forward to coming to Phoenix in October to once again enjoy arranging flowers together"... Jeanne Holy





If you'd like to see more of Jeanne's arrangements, go to our website <http://www.ikebana-ikenobo.com>