

## **IKENOBO SOCIETY OF ARIZONA**

### **MARCH 2011 WORKSHOP NEWSLETTER**

Do you have March 9 and 10 marked on your calendars yet? Professor Hirotaka Furukawa will be here in Phoenix to teach a full day of Rikka on Wednesday (for advanced students), followed by two workshops on Thursday—Sanshuike Shoka and Moribana/Freestyle (for both advanced students and beginners). You won't want to miss this opportunity. There will be classes for those who have been studying Ikenobo for years and those who have just started within the last few months.

#### **Our Sensei from Japan**



Professor Furukawa resides in the Toyama Prefecture of Japan, where he is an active member of the Ikenobo Toyama Chapter. He began his study of Ikenobo ikebana in 1977, and in 2003, graduated from the Advanced Course at the Ikenobo Central Training Institute, Ikenobo Headquarters, Kyoto. He has since completed the Special Advanced Courses in Rikka and Free Style. Professor Furukawa is also a member of the Central Advisory Board of the Ikenobo Society of Floral Art.

The professor has his own classroom where he teaches Ikenobo ikebana, and he also serves as an ikebana instructor at the Ikenobo Junior College in Kyoto. In addition to his teaching and study of Ikenobo, Professor Furukawa enjoys Japanese-style painting and nature observation.

#### **Location**

The workshops this year will be held at the First Baptist Church of Scottsdale at 7025 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85251 (one block west of Scottsdale Road on Osborn Road (which is ½ mile north of Thomas Road.) For more information, check their website at [www.fbcscottsdale.org](http://www.fbcscottsdale.org).

#### **Ginza Table**

As in the past, there will be a table set aside for those of you who might have ikebana-related items to sell. Please mark prices on them, and remember that 15% of your proceeds are due to the Ikenobo Society.

#### **Hospitality Table**

If you have a special sweet or savory snack you'd like to bring to share with participants, we will have a table set up with plates, napkins, etc. for serving.

#### Dinner with Professor Furukawa

If you would like to visit with the professor in a more informal setting, please plan to join him Wednesday evening at Lon's at the Hermosa Inn. (See registration form.)

#### Ikebana Demonstration and Luncheon on Friday, March 11

After the workshops sponsored by the Ikenobo Society of Arizona, Ikebana of Arizona will be in charge of the professor's Ikebana demonstration followed by a luncheon at the Paradise Valley Country Club. You will receive more information about this event and how to register to attend at a later date. This is another not-to-be-missed event.

#### Ikebana Containers and Kenzans for Friday's Demonstrations

It is an honor to have the professor create an arrangement in one of your containers. We always try to have a nice selection for him to choose from. Please bring any special containers you have to the workshop on Wednesday. Be sure to have your name on each one. If your container is chosen, it will be returned to you after the demonstration on Friday.

We are looking forward to seeing you soon.

Ikenobo of Arizona Board of Directors.