

Visiting Professor Emiko SUZUKI

Professor Emiko Suzuki began studying Ikenobo Ikebana in 1986 in Aichi, Japan. Currently she is studying Rikka at Sogo-tokubetsu-ka course with Professor Shunso Kobayashi. She obtained a Tachibana prize with a Free Style at a Shisaku-ten, the final exam of the Tokubetsu-ka.



She is a Senior Professor 2nd Grade of Ikenobo School of Ikebana headquartered in Kyoto, Japan. She taught ikebana to students of all ages for 13 years in Japan before she came to Western North Carolina in August 2007.

Professor Emiko Suzuki graduated from Western Carolina University with a Master of Arts in Education in May 2011 and a Master of Fine Arts (mixed media sculpture) in December 2014.

She always tries to bring the Japanese cultural spirit to local organizations through ikebana, tea ceremony, kimono and other aspects of Japanese culture. She continues to teach Ikenobo Ikebana lessons and Omote-Senke tea ceremony.

Emiko has been president of the Blue Ridge Chapter of Ikenobo Ikebana Society since 2018 and is a member of the Asheville Chapter of Ikebana International.