

Orlando-Winter Park Chapter 132



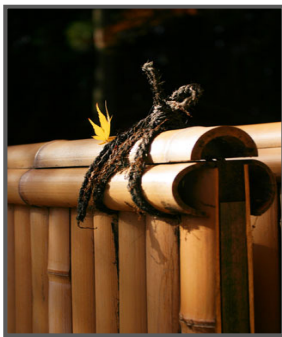
A cultural, nonprofit chartered Chapter of Ikebana International with headquarters in Tokyo, Japan, the Orlando-Winter Park Chapter 132 was founded on February 29, 1968. The Chapter's constitution states that its objective "shall be to stimulate, cultivate and perpetuate the study of Ikebana, related arts and culture, by demonstrations and public exhibitions. To strengthen the relationships among teachers and students of Ikebana with a deeper purpose of establishing better

relationships among all peoples through the adopted motto **'Friendship through Flowers.'**"

This objective is consistent with Ikebana International's objective the the vision of its American founder, Ellen Gordon which says that "the object of the Association shall be to promote mutual understanding and friendship between Japan and other countries through Ikebana (the art of Japanese flower arrangement) and other related arts of Japan."



Comprised of Members and Officers with an impressive cumulative experience, exposure, and artistry in the 6th century tradition of flower arranging, they represent five of many schools (styles) of Ikebana, with



certified instructors from four of these five, including a Full Professor and a Headmaster. The five schools in alphabetical order, and featured in the photographs below are Banmi Shofu Ryu, Ikenobo, Ohara, and Sogetsu.

The Chapter meets every second Thursday once monthly at the Harry P. Leu Gardens located on 1920 N. Forest Avenue, Orlando, FL 32803-1537; telephone #407-246-2620 for directions or click the directions link on the Chapter website. Each session features a program and a light lunch hosted by the membership. Chapter members or invited experts present programs that are planned in advance to learn Ikebana, but also related Japanese arts.

