



**IKEBANA**  
INTERNATIONAL



## SUN CITIES CHAPTER #167 OCTOBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

### Upcoming Events

October 4, 2021 and

October 9, 2021

ALL MEMBER NCAR MEETING

### Board Meeting (Zoom)

October 13, 2021 @ 10 A.M. (AZ  
Time)

### Chapter Monthly Meeting

October 20, 2021 @ 10 A.M.

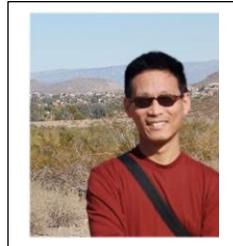
#### NEW MONTHLY MEETING LOCATION:

I.I. Sun Cities Chapter #167 monthly  
meetings from October to May

**SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION  
GRAND CANYON ROOM**  
14465 W.R.H. Johnson Blvd

## October 20

Ping Wei will be the presenter at our  
October 20th monthly chapter meeting.  
Please join us for the start of our  
2021-2022 Ikebana year and our return  
to in-person meetings.



Ping Wei will be presenting a Sogetsu demonstration  
focusing on “Space Within and Around an Arrangement”.



#### Please bring with you to the October workshop:

1. Pair of hasami scissors
2. Arrangement container
  - \* nageire (tall, straight, cylindrical ceramic vase)

OR

- \* suiban (low, shallow container) with a kenzan

#### Other suggested items to bring:

1. Small plastic bag (like a plastic grocery bag) for easy cleanup of plant material scraps
2. Container/s for water to fill your container and to hold plant materials before using in arrangement
3. Paper towels or cloth for wiping your hasami and work area when finished
4. Box or container to transport finished arrangement and plant materials

## I.I. Sun Cities Chapter #167 BOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Chapter Members,

**Welcome back!** As we return to meeting again in person, I encourage you to get reacquainted, meet new members and expand your friendships with our Ikebana chapter members. Challenge yourself to reach out to others and share Ikebana experiences and talents. Our chapter is fortunate to be rich with members who have many years of Ikebana training, experiences and talent. Also please take advantage of getting involved with chapter committees, taking Ikebana lessons in one of the Ikebana study groups, and participating in Ikebana related activities and exhibits. These connections will help make your membership in our chapter more meaningful.

I am looking forward to our Grand Re-opening as we enter our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an Ikebana International chapter. My goal is to get to know of each of you better this year.



*Sue Schmidt*

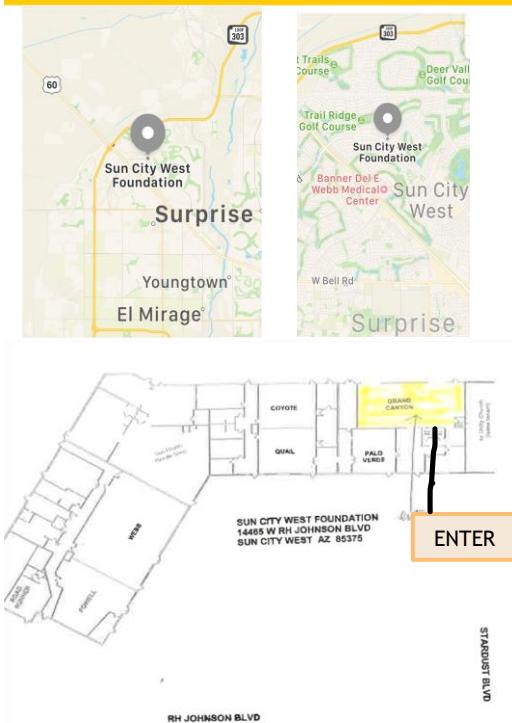
I.I. Sun Cities Chapter #167  
2021-2022 Board of Directors  
(from left to right)

Jeanne Gebele, 2nd Vice President  
Mary Ann Homewood, Treasurer  
Janet Klann, Corresponding Secretary  
Ginny Gaughan, Recording Secretary  
Susan Hoe, 1st Vice President  
Sue Schmidt, President

## NEW MEETING LOCATION:

SUN CITY WEST FOUNDATION  
**GRAND CANYON ROOM**  
**14465 W.R.H. Johnson Blvd**

(near the intersection of West R.H. Johnson Blvd and North Stardust Blvd. in Sun City West)



Admission fee for our monthly chapter meetings will be \$20

This monthly amount helps pay for the room rental, presenter fee and needed workshop materials.

## MONTHLY CHAPTER MEETINGS TIMELINE

- 8:30 A.M. Room open for presenters and others to set up for chapter monthly meeting
- 9:15 A.M. Check in, socialize, buy raffle tickets and purchase items from Ginza table
- 10:00 A.M. Meeting starts followed by the demonstration and workshop ... and raffle drawing
- 11:30-11:45 A.M. Workshop wrap up, final photos and clean up
- 11:45 A.M. -12:15 P.M. Final socializing time, packing up and final clean up
- 12:30 P.M. End of time for our room use

**PLEASE RSVP TO  
JEANNE GEBELE  
BY OCTOBER 12th**

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623-670-0284

If you plan to attend the October 20<sup>th</sup> meeting, please contact **Jeanne Gebele by October 12** in order to know the attendance count at our Board meeting and to inform Ping Wei for ordering materials to use at the workshop

**Thank you!**

## HELP WANTED

1. **Refreshment Coordinator** for only October, November and December (Deb Hjortland and Mary McLaughlin will be back in AZ for the January to May meetings.)
2. **Public relations:** communicate with community about chapter's activities and events
3. **Webmaster:** take online communication updated
4. **Japanese Arts & Culture Liaison:** inform chapter of events and activities in Phoenix area

**PLEASE CONTACT SUE SCHMIDT IF INTERESTED**

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# Ikebana Classes

## 2021-2022

Studying Ikebana is a great way to get the most out of your International Chapter experience, to gain a better understanding of Ikebana and to meet others interested in Ikebana.

In the Phoenix area, there are classes offered in three different schools of Ikebana by exceptionally qualified senseis (Ikebana teachers).

Classes are available during 2021-2022. Please feel free to contact the sensei directly with questions about classes or contact Kim Busch for more information.

**Kim Busch**  
Education Committee Chair  
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907-723-1898

## OHARA SCHOOL

The Ohara School was founded in 1895 by Unshin Ohara when Japan opened itself to Western culture and imported European flowers..

This Ikebana school emphasizes observing nature by focusing on the seasonal qualities, natural growth processes, and the beauty of natural environments.

### Louise Daggs Sensei

Offers Ohara classes by appointment for a limited number of students at her home in Mesa, AZ

Contact: [ldaggs 2@cox.net](mailto:ldaggs2@cox.net)



## Senseis Available for Teaching Ikebana Lessons to our I. I. Sun Cities Chapter #167 Members

### IKENOBO SCHOOL

The Ikenobo School continues a tradition of creativity that began over 550 years. Based in Kyoto, Japan at Choho-ji Temple, a temple said to have been founded by Prince Shotoku. Succeeding generations of priests were famous for their skill in arranging flowers, and Ikenobo thus became "the origin of Ikebana".

#### Linnea Storm Sensei

Offers monthly Ikenobo lessons and workshops via **Zoom meetings** with not only Arizona students but also with out of state students from now until May.

The prepared demonstration is sent out, arrangement is created and photos sent to Linnea for critique. First and final versions are compared. Participants discuss their work. Linnea gives introductory and summary remarks

Contact: [lrstorm@cox.net](mailto:lrstorm@cox.net)

### Arizona Chapter Ikenobo Ikebana Society

The first **in-person** class this season is October 16, 2021 in Scottsdale, AZ. Zoom Ikenobo lessons are scheduled.

Please check the website for the lessons and program schedule for 2021-2022: <http://ikebana-ikenobo.com>

[http://ikebana-ikenobo.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2021-2022\\_schedule.pdf](http://ikebana-ikenobo.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2021-2022_schedule.pdf)

Contact: **Wanda LaLoggia, President**

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480-600-4220

### OTHER SOGETSU SENSEIS:

#### Royetta (Retta) Marconi-Dooley Sensei

May be able to take students for Sogetsu lessons in early 2022 (Sun Lakes, AZ area)

#### Barbara Kennedy Sensei

Would give Sogetsu lessons in Minneapolis in 2021/2022

### SOGETSU SCHOOL

The Sogetsu School of Ikebana was started in 1927. The founder, Sofu Teshigahara, questioned the traditions of Ikebana and preferred to respect the freedom of individual expression.

"Anytime, anywhere by anyone with any materials" is the creed of Sogetsu School.

Students progress through a 5 book certification system with Sogetsu School of Ikebana - based in Tokyo, Japan.

#### Ping Wei Sensei

Offers n-person group Sogetsu classes. Meeting once a month, **November 16 through April 12**, at the Lord of Light Lutheran Church in **Sun City West, AZ**.

Contact: Kim Busch at [buschgrp@hotmail.com](mailto:buschgrp@hotmail.com) or call **907-723-1898** to join Ping's beginner or intermediate classes

Ping is also available to give private and semi-private Sogetsu lessons at his studio in Phoenix.

Contact: [peace\\_defender2003@yahoo.com](mailto:peace_defender2003@yahoo.com)

### Carol Becker Sensei

Invites chapter members to join her **studio group classes** and workshops on **Mondays 10:00 AM. to NOON and 1:00-3:00 PM from October - May in Paradise Valley, AZ**

Her spacious studio is designed for students to work either indoors or outside at their own 4 foot table.

She also accepts distance learners using **Zoom**.

Carol Becker is the Chair of Sonoran Desert Sogetsu Study Group

Contact: [cbrecker@gmail.com](mailto:cbrecker@gmail.com) **480-225-4322**

# Sakura Petals



**Sadly, our chapter member Ann Ellenson passed away on September 7, 2021.**

Her memorial service was in Moorhead, Minnesota on September 25, 2021. Jane Ralston arranged to have a peace lily plant at Ann's memorial service on behalf of our chapter.



**Jane Ralston has moved out of Arizona and is settling into her new home in Mankato, Minnesota.**

Jane's new address:  
3125 Prairie Rose Dr. #308  
Mankato, MN 56001

If you have any special news to share with the chapter members, please let someone on the Board know. It is important to stay connected and help out each other whenever we can. And celebrate the good news too!



## THIS MONTH'S TRIVIA



**Beckoning Cats or lucky cats (Maneki-neko)** are traditionally calico Japanese bobcats with a paw raised in a Japanese beckoning position, palm facing downward. But they could be white, black or gold. Maneki-neko are Japanese figurines believed to bring good luck to the owner. Left paw raised usually for business (get more customers). Right paw raised for home (to get more money).

# Ikebana Tidbits

## OPEN INVITATION TO ALL I.I. MEMBERS

Monday, October 4, 2021 @ 2 pm MT

Saturday, October 9, 2021 @ 2 pm MT

Pre-registration required (see links below)

Will be a Zoom meeting hosted by the I.I. NCAR Advocates (NCAR: North & Central American Region) (Also see the email sent out recently.)

### Agenda:

1. History of Ikebana International (65 years!)
2. The formation of NCAR
3. NCAR Advocate Committee: mission, vision and goal for our region
4. I.I. and NCAR benefits
5. How to get the most out of your Ikebana membership
6. Fun, games & prizes

**When: Oct 4, 2021 4PM ET, 3PM CT, 2PM MT, 1PM PT, 10AM HT**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUpfu-rrj4tGtefNqUXxyWNA4mWjp2QMt54>

**When: Oct 9, 2021 4PM ET, 3PM CT, 2PM MT, 1PM PT, 10AM HT**

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApcemrqTwtHdHuS32snnbORFu\\_5X05iBJ](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZApcemrqTwtHdHuS32snnbORFu_5X05iBJ)