



Ikebana, one of the traditional arts of Japan, has been practiced for over 600 years. It is a disciplined art form steeped in the philosophy of developing a closeness with nature. The art of Ikebana allows for creative expression within certain rules of construction. There are currently over 2,000 different schools of Ikebana registered with the Japanese Ministry of Education, each with its own style, patterns, and rules for arranging of floral and plant materials.

Chapters of Ikebana International meet all over the world to learn about Japanese culture and arts, and to experience the international organization's motto: "Friendship through Flowers."

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Chapter #134
Lansing, Michigan



*Celebrating
Over 50 Years
of Friendship
Through Flowers*

About Ikebana Lansing Chapter #134



The Lansing Chapter of Ikebana International was established in 1967 by a group of about 20 women who were interested in studying Japanese floral design. The group incorporated as an official chapter with the international organization in 1969, and celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2019. The Chapter's first teacher, Adda Babcock, learned the art of Ikebana while living in Japan and was given permission to teach in the USA when she returned to the states. Our current resident instructor is Pat Kaplan, one of the Lansing chapter's founding members. Pat is an internationally certified 3rd level master in the Ohara School of Ikebana.



2022-2023 Program Schedule

Chapter meetings are generally on the second Saturday of the month from 10:30 am -12:00 noon unless otherwise noted. Our schedule includes a combination of in-person workshops and online cultural programming and video demonstrations. Tentative schedule for the upcoming year is:

JULY 9, 2022

In-person workshop/demonstration. Materials fee.

AUGUST 13, 2022

Field Trip to be announced.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2022

Online programming; subject to be announced.

OCTOBER 14 - 16, 2022

Member exhibition at MSU University Club.

NOVEMBER 12, 2022

Japanese-inspired gift/flower wrapping. Materials fee.

DECEMBER 10, 2022

JANUARY 14, 2023

FEBRUARY 11, 2023

Online programming; subjects to be announced.

MARCH 11, 2023

In-person workshop/demonstration. Materials fee.

APRIL 8, 2023

Online programming; subject to be announced.

MAY 13, 2023

In-person workshop/demonstration. Materials fee.

Membership and Benefits



Full membership in Ikebana International Lansing Chapter #134 is \$100 per year, which covers local and international dues. This includes three beautiful full-color magazines and newsletters per year published by Ikebana International, receiving our twice-monthly eNewsletter, and full access to all live and online meetings at no charge (with the exception of materials costs). It also covers local chapter operating expenses and funding for our guest instructors.

Guest Attendance

We always welcome non-members to our programs. Non-members can attend their first online event for free; after that, the non-member is \$10 per program.

There is a fee for guest attendance at live programs led by an instructor. The fee is generally \$20 - \$25 and includes the cost of materials. Advance sign-up is required for both online and live programs.