

## CLASS INFORMATION:

I have performed in-person and online demonstrations and workshops and have participated in exhibitions such as Philadelphia Flower Show and the Chrysanthemum Flower Show at Longwood Gardens for more than 20 years.

Sogetsu school was established to bring unconventional materials into freestyle arrangements to allow more creativity and self-expression. Therefore, in addition to using the Sogetsu textbooks, I encourage my students to create freestyle arrangements and to be CREATIVE. I live in Wilmington, Delaware, and offer many options for learning Sogetsu ikebana. I offer both private and in-person classes for individuals within commuting distance as well as online classes for students in other States. I use the textbooks (1-5) published by Sogetsu Headquarters, Japan, in addition to freestyle for teaching.

Beginner students will purchase a basic package of supplies needed for their classes from me. Those within driving distance will pick up their package from me. As for participants living in distant States, I will ship them the package and they pay for the shipping and the package cost. Intermediate and advanced level students will purchase their required additional containers and other materials (needed for classes) based on my recommendation.

In addition to private students, I teach at the University of Delaware, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI). At OLLI, I teach in-person and online classes at all levels.

In my in-person classes, we first read the lesson from the textbook. Then I either make the arrangement live or show a video that I have made for the lesson. Students ask their questions before preparing their arrangements. I then critique each arrangement and suggest adjustments. We then discuss next week's lesson followed by students' questions. Further questions are asked after the class via email. These classes take between 1.5 to 2 hours based on the number of students.

In my online sessions, we first read the lesson from the textbook. Then I show a video made for the lesson. Students ask their questions before preparing their arrangements. I then critique each arrangement and suggest adjustments. Minor changes are made in the class. However, if modifications are extensive, students will do them offline and will send me pictures via email for further critique. At the end of the class, I show the video for next week's lesson and answer students' questions. Students can also ask questions during the week by sending me emails. In online classes with more than six students, I ask students to prepare their arrangements prior to the class to save time. Depending on the number of students, my online classes take anywhere from 1.5 to 2 hours.

My private classes are organized based on students' needs and my availability. My OLLI classes are organized based on the Univ. of Delaware semester system. I have been teaching remotely for two years and would be happy to continue with students all over the US.