Welcome to our new year! It takes courage to go through life when it is different than we are expecting. We have all gone through our days with our heads up, learning new skills, staying optimistic and making each day meaningful. During these times it is comforting to come back to the familiar, our ikebana. Thank you for supporting I.I. and helping to keep it vital and alive. We have much to look forward to in 2021!

Nancy Griggs
President, Dallas Chapter 13

Memories from December
Our I.I. holiday zoom party on the 13th was full of smiling participants. We first watched a beautiful video on the intricacies of designing and hand-producing kimono. Then Paul MacLardy took the stage and awed us with a historical look at Japan from the Edo period to present day, through designs and wearing of kimono. It was excellent! After that we had a wonderful time to be festive and catch up with each other.

Paul MacLardy's collection of kimonos from the Georgetowner article:
Beyond the Blossoms: One Company’s Mission to Preserve Tradition by Sallie Lewis.

Garage Ginza Ways and Means Sale
I am excited to announce that we had a successful Garage Ginza Sale on December 6, taking in over $300! Thank you to all who participated. You added to the I.I. Dallas Chapter 13 financial base.
We will have a follow up ginza at our future “Grand Opening!
A special thanks to Nancy, Janet, Patricia, Sue and Sudha for set up, repacking and carting to and from the storage unit and Salvation Army.
If you have any questions or concerns about this event, please let me know.

Patricia O'Reilly
Ikebana Int'l Dallas Chapter 13 Ways & Means Chair
I.I. PROGRAM FOR JANUARY

Thursday January 21st, 9:30am
Celebrate Friendship through Flowers and join us on zoom for a NAR video featuring SUSAN CANO, Sogetsu School, doing a presentation called Focusing On the Color of the Container.

Susan Cano’s Bio: see attached pdf
You will receive a registration email for this program the week before. After you register you will be sent the zoom invitation. Think about inviting friends and send us their names and email addresses so they’ll get invitations, too!
Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday the 21st!
-Karen Murrell, NAR Video Liaison

We would like to make a fresh start in our attempts to have workshops along with our demonstration videos on zoom. Soon you will receive an email with questions about how you feel about zoom workshops. Please participate in answering the questions, which will help to know what direction to take.

2021 Programs

January 21 - Thursday, 9:30am
Susan Cano, Sogetsu school, Riji, will give a NAR ZOOM presentation: “Focus on Color of the Container”. (demo and workshop option)

February 4 - Thursday, 7pm
Valerie Eccleston, Executive Master from the Ichiyo school will give a NAR ZOOM demonstration: “The Free Style of Flowers”.

February 18 - Thursday 9:30am
“Endless Possibilities with Washi” Laura Felt, washi artist will present our NAR Cultural program, showing how to craft items with washi. (demo and workshop option)

March 4 – Thursday, 7pm
The NAR ZOOM video demonstration will be given by José Salcedo, First Term Master, presenting “The Beauty of Ohara”. You will enjoy the harmony and beauty of his designs.

March 18 – Thursday, 9:30am
Yuko Inoue Darcy will present "Japanese Landscapes in the Ohara School of Ikebana". (video demo and workshop option)

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April 15 - Thursday, 9:30am
“Still Changing After All These Years”, a NAR ZOOM presentation by Stephanie English, Senior Professor First Grade from the Ikenobo school. (demo and workshop option)

May 16 - Sunday 2pm
Our end of the year NAR ZOOM demonstration will be given by Satsuki Palter, sub grand master in the Ohara school: “Connecting With Flowers and Making Friends”.

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Any questions please contact: NANCY GRIGGS, president 469-877-4369 nancjg@hotmail.com

NEXT BOARD MEETING:
Thursday January 14, 9:30am

BETTY CUNIBERTI
Betty Cuniberti (pictured in purple) passed on December 12th at almost 102 years of age. She settled in Ohio in 1957 and there, had an active ikebana life. In her Ohio home she lived on a large country lot with lots of wonderful bounty to share with her ikebana friends. She served the II group in many offices, including president. She studied the Ohara school but enjoyed all the schools. Her group met in homes and always with a workshop. She was delighted to take home plant cuttings to start when she attended the Dallas meetings. Her patio was filled with them. Many were southern plants she’d never seen. She really enjoyed our group. Some of us remember the first day of her joining our Dallas II group when she was a vivacious 99. We were lucky to have her in our midst those few years. We celebrated her 100th birthday!

THANKS TO MARILYN CALLEY FOR DESIGNING OUR LOVELY I.I. NEWSLETTER EACH MONTH!