

Garden News



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Immerse yourself in the art of Japanese flower arrangement Feb. 14 – 16

NAPLES, FL – Feb. 4, 2025 – Explore the meditative, centuries-old art of flower arrangement, deeply rooted in ancient Japanese philosophy at Naples Botanical Garden's Annual Ikebana Exhibition, Feb. 14 – 16. This year's show offers a wide variety of exciting guest experiences. Plus, enjoy an event-themed special: Tsukune (Japanese chicken meatball) served over a bed of white rice and topped with house-made teriyaki sauce. Finished with scallion ribbons and a sprinkle of sesame seeds; available for purchase at Fogg Café.

Guests may participate in the following activities:

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

- 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.: Watch live demonstrations from the schools of Ikenobo, Sogetsu, Kado Sensho Ikenobo, and Ohara on the Berger Shop Terrace.
- 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.: Design an Ikebana-inspired flower arrangement on the Performance Lawn.
- 11a.m. – 4 p.m.: Savor delicious treats from pop-up shop, Sendo de Café, available for purchase.
- 12:30 – 2 p.m.: Attend the Little Living Canvases Drop-In Youth Program on the Kapnick Caribbean Garden Lawn.
- Experience art throughout the Garden: *[Frame & Flora](#)* in the main Garden and Natural Areas and *[Nature Journaling Invitational](#)* in Fogg Café.

Friday Only

- 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.: Shop the vendor market on the Performance Lawn.
- 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.: Join us for *[Friday After 5](#)* and experience traditional koto instrumentalist, Emiko Koto of *Friends of Koto*, on the Performance Lawn.

Saturday & Sunday Only

- 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.: Shop the vendor market on the Performance Lawn.

Saturday Only

- 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. & 2 p.m.: Watch a Japanese taiko drumming ensemble, Fushu Daiko, performing on the Water Garden Stage.

Sunday Only

- 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.: Discover live shibori and batik demonstrations by local fiber artist, Leigh Herndon, on the Performance Lawn.
- 12 p.m.: Watch a traditional tea ceremony demonstration by Ikebana International Chapter #160 member, Margy Metzler, on the Performance Lawn

Stage.

This exhibition is included with Garden admission and presented in partnership with the Naples Chapter of Ikebana International, a network of Ikebana supporters, experts, and enthusiasts. Chapter members will be on hand to provide knowledge and insight into this deeply expressive art form.

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Seasonal hours of operation are 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. (8 a.m. early entry for Members).

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